

Faculty Senate Report
2017-2018 Academic Year

Membership: 50 faculty members from all six colleges and the library

Meetings: 2x / month. 15 meetings total (Sept - May)

Committees: 13 standing committees + 5 ad hoc committees for this year

Additional Committees with faculty representation: 8

Received Updates from Offices Across Campus

- President Bardo
- Judy Espinoza, Director of Human Resources - Policy Revisions
- Sheryl Propst, HR - development of Service Standards
- Natasha Stephens, Title IX coordinator
- Rick Muma, AVP - Strategic Enrollment Management
- Dennis Livesay, Graduate Dean – Graduate Enrollment Management
- Molly Gordon, Legal Counsel – Accessibility committee
- Marche Fleming Randle, VP for Diversity – Diversity Council
- Alicia Sanchez and Danielle Johnson, Office of Diversity and Inclusion
- Mark Pocaro, Director of Online Learning
- John Jones, Director of MRC - Accessibility Ally training, IDT support
- Teri Hall, VP Student Involvement
- Kim Sandlin, Director of Student Success
- Heidi Roderick, Student Success - SEAS report / update
- Lisa Hansen, One Stop Director
- Cindy Claycomb, Chair of Strategic Planning Standing committee - applied learning implementation
- Mark Glaser and Darryl Carrington (Hugo Wall) - community neighborhood study
- Elizabeth King, President of WSU Foundation – capital campaign update
- Shelly Coleman Martins, Strategic Communication - WSU NOW campaign
- Chance Swaim, Editor of Sunflower
- David Moses, General Counsel - KOMA and KORA
- Bob Workman, Director of Ulrich Museum - new commission coming to campus
- United Way campaign president

Issues Discussed

- New student fees structure
- KBOR requirement for 120 hr degrees.
- Changes to Graduate Faculty by-laws
- Positive Risk Taking culture and on FAR
- Accessibility in the classroom
- Foundations of Accessibility online training
- Military leave policy and process
- “Math Pathway”
- Institute for the Study of Economic Growth (Barton School)
- LatinX Cluster hire
- Open Education Resources (OER) initiative

- 3+3 degree programs
- SPTE process
- Wichita State Innovation Alliance (WSIA)
- Faculty Career development (KBOR)
- Wonder School
- Future of Innovation campus
- Parking citations / Game days
- Legislative updates from Kansas House / Senate

Actions Taken

- Approval of new standing committee appointments (as recommended by the Rules Committee)
- Approval of minor revisions to voting rules in the Senate (V.2.d)
- Approval of new Homeland Security program (as recommended by the Academic Affairs Committee)
- Approval of revisions to the faculty chapter (Chapter 4 and Chapter 5) of the Policy Manual (as recommended by the Rules committee and Executive committee)
- Approval of new Faculty Activity Record (FAR) form with Uniscope components (as recommended by the Faculty Affairs committee)
- Approval of Promotion policy and process for Non-tenure track faculty (formerly 'teaching UP's)
- Approval of recommendation to make tenure and promotion to Associate co-terminous.
- Approval of Bachelors of Applied Sciences - Workforce Leadership and Applied Learning (as recommended by Academic Affairs Committee)
- Approval of recommendation from General Education committee to review and revise the structure of the General Education program requirements > Revision committee formed to begin work in Fall 2018.
- Approval of Senate reps to sit on the Provost search committee
- Approval of resolution supporting full funding of the Sunflower newspaper
- Approval of FYS pilot project to continue for 2 more years, with a vote in Spring 2020 to establish permanent requirement for Fall 2021.
- Approval of proposed revisions to policy 2.17 Academic Integrity
- Approval of Statement on Accessibility.
- Two Joint Meetings with UP and USS Senates
- Hosted Kanas Board of Regents meeting (November)

Policy Review and Feedback

- Internal Dispute resolution (USS/UP), Investigative Leave, Coaching and Corrective Action, Separation Policy, Social Media Policy

Ad Hoc / Other Committees

- Faculty Compensation committee (ongoing) - assessing all faculty salaries for issues of inequity - preliminary data presented - analysis of cost basis is ongoing

- Academic Integrity committee - revised policy and procedures for 2.17 on Academic Integrity
- Time and Attendance committee - new vendor identified, pending funding.
- SPTE committee- reviewed SPTE structure and procedures and made recommendations for more online options.
- Textbook selection committee - discussed challenges of selection of accessible textbooks by faculty; drafted accessibility statement to be endorsed by faculty.

Full day Ombudsman training workshop

- Development of Ombudsperson webpage

Ongoing Activities

- Revision of General Education program (Ad hoc Revisions Committee, Bill Hendry, Chair)
- Review of Dismal for Cause and Chronic Low Performance Policy (Faculty Affairs committee)

