

Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes

Monday, March 8, 2021

3:30-5:00 pm Virtual meeting held via Zoom

Attendance 2020-2021

Senators Present: Allen, Asmatulu, Bailey, Bowen, Buerge, Bukonda, Carlson, Celestin, Cerri, Connor, Core, Decker, Dehner, Dowling, Figy, Hakansson, Hammond, Hull, Jarman, Lee, Lockard, Ma, Marble-Flint, Moody, Mozzani, Mullins, Muthitacharoen, Myose, Navarro, Newman, Price, Pulaski, Ramanan, Ross, Schwartz, Solomey, Sternfeld-Dunn, Sylvester, Tamtam, Weheba, Williams.

Excused: Markova, Millar, Small

Absent: Bann, Bray, Byun, Flynn, Johnson, Kalomo, Parham, Ramanan, Rawson, Robinson

Agenda Item	Notes / Discussion / Process / External Link	Outcome/Action/Completed
Call to order	3:30 pm	
Informal statements and proposals	None	
Approval of minutes	February 22, 2021	MSC
President's Report Aleks Sternfeld-Dunn	<ul style="list-style-type: none">KBOR Covid 19 Policy-Working Group<ul style="list-style-type: none">KBOR is going forward with forming a working group involving constituencies to evaluate the COVID dismissal policy.Informational: vaccination Status: higher education is now "Phase 2B" (link to KMUW article)SEAS Non-Activity (Feedback): currently there is a "no activity" specifically in the fifth week of classes for financial aid reasons. Senators expressed favor for moving "no activity" up to week 3 for an earlier intervention.Informational: discussions around the academic calendar. An ad-hoc committee is currently discussing modifications for the 2022-2023 calendar that would allow a four-week January pre-session.	
Committee Reports	Rules Committee: nominations to Rules Committee and Planning and Budget Committee.	Unanimous voice vote approves the nominations.
Old Business	None	
New Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none">United Way-Ann Collins: background as to what United Way does in the broader Wichita community.SPTE Update-David Wright and Bayram Yildirim<ul style="list-style-type: none">David Wright gives a background for the technical changes as part of a business continuity plan.Bayram Yildirim shared recommendations from a 2018-2019 working group looking for improvements of measures of teaching effectiveness.Senators discuss who owns and has access to the SPTE data - answer is the faculty being evaluated own the data. Senators also suggest ways to increase student participations in the evaluation process.	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A senator pushes that the SPTE is “not fit for purpose” and that it’s time to move to something different. ● Shared Governance Document-Jeff Jarman <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Jeff Jarman discusses the background of the document and motivation for the changes. Feedback is encouraged to be sent to Jeffrey.Jarman@wichita.edu ○ The goal is to have final language presented on the floor of each senate in a future meeting which will be non-modifiable. ● MRC Updates-John Jones <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ John Jones presents updates on media resources on campus including the seven light-board rooms across campus, the master classrooms with cameras and microphones for live-streaming class (microphones do not broadcast except for class and cameras are only for teaching, they are not security and will not be monitored). ○ The Blackboard Ultra migration is also introduced with the timetable for full adoption in Spring 2023. 	
As May Arise	None	

Next Senate Meeting: March 22, 2021, 3:30-5:00 pm, via Zoom.

Adjourn: 5:01 pm

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