

Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes

Monday, August 26, 2024

3:30-4:40 pm Hubbard Hall 211

Attendance

Amos, Billingham, Boynton, Bradley, Bussard, Butler, Celestin, Cooper, Delacruz, Dowling, Dudley, Figy, Foster, Gilstrap, Hulett, Jamkartanian, Kirby, Kuhlman, Li, Loibl, Lynch, Ma, Marble-Flint, Moody, Muether, Nicks, Ott, Pang, Price, Proctor, Ray, Ross, Sherif, Sherwood, Showstack, Small, Sterrett, Stone, Thompson N., Thompson, V., Wallace, Williams.

Excused: Chang, Gregory, Jarman, Markova, Myose

Absent: Asmatulu, Bowen, Moscoso, Rai, Srivastava, Tew

Call to Order

President Muether at 3:33 pm

Approval of Minutes

- [May 13, 2024](#) – 2023-2024 Senate – passed unanimously as submitted
- [May 13, 2024](#) – 2024-2025 Senate – passed unanimously as submitted

Informal Statement

- Senator Billingham – brief comments on the importance of shared governance and his hopes for the upcoming year in the Senate.

President's Report

- Brief review of rules for Senate meetings; see [agenda slide deck](#), #4.
- Welcome to new Senators; Deans recognized 47 new faculty from respective colleges.
- Provost search update: search had a positive response; anticipate finalists on campus in October to meet with stakeholders, including faculty.
- Policy [3.42](#) (Tuition - Employee) and [3.43](#) (Tuition - Spouse/Dependent Children): Brief overview of updates to both policies. Please send any feedback to Faculty Senate (FS) Executive Committee or President Muether at earliest convenience.

Committee Reports

Rules Committee

- Vice President Sheriff presented a slate of 4 nominees to fill vacant committee positions. Slate passed unanimously.

Old Business

- None

New Business

- SVP of Administration, Finance & Operations – Aaron Mitchell
 - Brief remarks to introduce himself.
- CTAC Updates – Dr. Courtney McHenry

- Presented an update on CTAC – see [PPT](#). Introductions by new staff. Q&A with Senators. Request from Senator Billingham to place signs in buildings on campus where CTAC does not have jurisdiction; Dr. McHenry to follow up.
- Revised Course Meeting Pattern
 - Jeff Pulaski presented a [proposed revision](#) to the current course meeting pattern and the background for his proposal. The current request does not include changes to the finals schedule. Gina Crabtree (Registrar) shared that to implement this for AY 2025-2026 she would need a decision by this September. Several recommendations were received including obtaining feedback from all faculty and SGA. Proposal tabled and President Muether will refer the proposal to FS Academic Affairs Committee for further input and review.

As May Arise

- Senator Moody shared three requests for follow-up:
 - Consistent pay across campus for faculty when teaching courses off contract, such as in summer.
 - Per diem pay for faculty asked to serve out of contract, such as on a search committee.
 - Care Team or similar personnel available to assist with student needs on weekends and/or off campus.

Adjourn

- Announcement to join in a social hour at RSC Shocker Sports Grill immediately following the meeting.
- President Muether adjourned the meeting at 4:53 pm

Minutes prepared by Rhonda Williams