

Faculty Senate Meeting October 16, 2020
Hames Room FNBA and Zoom

Attendees: Scott Anderson, Robert Bradley, Andrea Brown, Donna Caldwell, Rodney Carmack, Ross Carroll, Sarah Davidson, Amanda Wheeler-Gryffin, Joanna Grymes, Hans Hacker, John Hershberger, Katerina Hill, Annette Hux, Amy Hyman, Donghoon Kim, Cheryl Knight, Natalie Johnson-Leslie, Joseph Loar, Bill Maynard, Suzanne Melescue, Paul Minor, Pradeep Mishra, Amanda Mohler, Vicent Moreno, Tim Oliver, Arianne Pait, Robert Robinette, William Rowe, Amany Saleh, Ed Salo, Richard Segall, Paul Sikkel, Marcus Tribbett, Wayne Wilkinson and Karen Yanowitz.

Proxy Attendees: Kathryn Flannigan for Addie Fleming

Absentees: Sudeepa Bhattacharyya, P, Mary Donaghy, Loretta McGregor, Nikesha Nesbitt, and Greg Phillips

Meeting Called to Order: Donna Caldwell established a quorum. The meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm by Donna Caldwell

Order of the Day: Motion made by Joanna Grymes to change the meeting agenda; seconded by Marcus Tribbett; motion carried. The scheduled guest speaker, Lori Winn, had to cancel. She was slated to discuss HR topics and Insurance. There will be a Webex Insurance meeting on October 22, 2020. In addition, Donna Caldwell has formed a Non-Standing Committee to work with the Calendar Committee and Academic Affairs in an effort to avoid multiple task due-dates falling so close together in the future. For example, the week of October 12, 2020 registration/advising, book orders and midterm testing/grading were due.

Approval of Minutes September October 2, 2020- motion made to approve minute by Marcus Tribbett, seconded by John Hershberger, motion carried.

Updates:

Donna Caldwell has drafted a letter to students regarding appropriate use of Zoom. Motion made by Paul Sikkel that the letter be sent to students; seconded by Natalie Johnson-Leslie; motion carried.

Old Business:

Constitution and Bylaws Committee – Amanda Mohler Chair of Committee. The committee will meet bi-weekly for the next several weeks. Will be looking at objectives of the Faculty Association and the Faculty Senate and ensuring there is a clear distinction between the two.

New Business:

Donna Caldwell was asked by Chancellor Kelly Damphousse to discuss whether or not to continue the credit/no credit grading option for Fall, 2020 that was used for Summer 2020.

Question – How many made use of the system?

Question – Would it be possible to get a break down of how many students chose CR and how many chose NC.

Question – can advisors be provided notification if advisee chooses to use the system

Donna will pose these questions and email responses to Faculty Senators.

Donna Caldwell established a Non-Standing Committee to look at some faculty's concern related to COVID19 and returning to campus Spring 2021. She has asked for volunteers to serve on this committee

Handbook Committee: Joanna Grymes reported the Task Force is working on the following issues: 1. Roles of Chairs, Directors of Schools and Program Directors; Equity salary review; Instructor to Senior Instructor; Faculty Teaching Load and Protection for Faculty Members and Faculty Communication

Open Forum: None

Adjourn:

Motion made by Joanna Grymes to adjourn the meeting, the meeting adjourned at 3:37 pm