

Faculty Senate Minutes #5

April 3rd, 2018

Members and Senators Present: J. Ouellette, K. Lawrence, D. VanLangen, R. Grantham, C. Widdall, I. Jordak, G. Birren, A. Fitz-Gibbon, D. West, C. Schubert, W. Miller, M. Song, H. Haines, A. Curtis, S. Strause, M. Sutherlin, A. Blavos, C. Manaseri, R. Borden, J. Zhe-Heimerman, S. Comins, M. Fox, C. Manaseri, R. Powell, C. Kuretich, L. MacDonald, E. Owens, A. Arkayasa, C. Bennett, S. Umansky, M. Prus, G. Sharer, A. DeChellis, S. Anderson.

Members and Senators Absent: V. Widdall, G. Rinefierd, P. Perkins.

I. Approval of Minutes: The Minutes from March 20th, 2018 were approved by the Senate.

II. Senate Actions: No Senate actions.

III. Chair's Report: J. Ouellette – Reported that the SGA will be having a leadership reception dinner on 4/20/18, and that the SGA is asking faculty members to submit nominations of any engaging underclass students they may know of to be a part of SGA; the deadline for these nominations is Friday, 4/6/18.

IV. Vice Chair's Report: K. Lawrence – No report.

V. Treasurer's Report: R. Grantham – Reported that the current balance in the Faculty Senate Memorial Scholarship Fund is \$1,162.37.

VI. Secretary's Report: No Report.

VII. President's Report: E. Bitterbaum:

- Reported that he will be meeting with the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) this Sunday and Monday, 4/8/18-4/9/18.
- Announced that this Saturday, 4/7/18, there will be an open house on campus for all newly accepted students and their families.
- Reported that EOP has been fully-funded this academic year.
- Reported that there has been a committee created to work with the Cortland County D.A. in an effort to promote school safety.

VIII. Standing Committee Reports:

Student Affairs Committee: G. Birren, Chair – No report.

Academic Faculty Affairs Committee: A. Fitz-Gibbon, Chair – No report

Planning Committee: No report.

Educational Policy Committee: C. Widdall, Chair – No report

Professional Affairs Committee: I. Jordak, Chair – No report

Area Senator: No Report

SUNY Senator: A. Fitz-Gibbon – No report

Student Senator: A. Arkayasa:

- Reported that the former SUNY Cortland SGA president, Michael Braun, is going to run for SUNY SGA president.

IX. Other Committee Reports:

Committee on Teaching Awards: J. Ouellette, Temp. Chair – No report.

Committee on Teaching Effectiveness: K. Bonafide, Chair – Please see attachment for the CTE report.

College Research Committee: B. Hodges, Chair – On behalf of B. Hodges, J. Ouellette reported that the CRC has reviewed and made decisions on Faculty Research Program proposals in the area of the Natural, Physical, and Social Sciences. It will meet soon to make decisions on FRP proposals in the Arts and Humanities, and on the DiNardo Outstanding Achievement in Research award.

General Education Committee: J. MacNamara, Chair – Please see attachment for the GE report.

Graduate Faculty Executive Committee: J. Curtis, Chair – Reported that the GFEC has been reviewing graduate curriculum, and has successfully changed its by-laws to expand eligibility to include those faculty and library staff that hold the rank of assistant professor or assistant librarian or above. They are currently accepting applications for graduate faculty or librarian status.

The committee is also currently accepting applications to the Graduate Small Grants program to help to support original research or creative activities that students complete independently or in collaboration with other graduate students. Applications are due no later than Friday, April 6th.

Committee on Committees: G. Evans, Chair – J. Ouellette read two calls for nominations on behalf of the Committee on Committees for both Senate seats, as well as officer positions on the Faculty Senate. Please see the email that was sent out by G. Evans on 3/26/18 for the two calls for nominations.

******Please note that the deadline to submit names to G. Evans for the two calls is this Friday, 4/6/18******

X. Unfinished Business: No unfinished business.

XI. New Business:

- SLOs (Student Learning Outcomes) – A meeting will be held on Monday, 4/9/18, between J. Ouellette, V. Levine, and C. Van Der Karr to discuss SLO issues.
- BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) – A general discussion ensued about the possibility of this taking place on our campus sometime in the future.

XII. Announcements:

- C. Widdall announced that the EPC's vetting document on Academic Forgiveness will close on Friday, 4/6/18.
- J. Ouellette reminded senators that there are only 2 remaining Faculty Senate meetings left before the end of the semester, and that if any committee has anything that they would like to be discussed and/or voted on at Senate, they need to have it submitted to the Steering Committee no later than 4/10/18.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:09PM on 4/3/18

Minutes submitted by: Amy M. DeChellis