

Faculty Senate Minutes #2

February 15th, 2022

Via WebEx

Members and Senators Present: S. Anderson, M. Alvisi, C. Badurek, G. Birren, E. Bitterbaum, A. Blavos, R. Borden, S. Clark, S. Comins, C. Costell Corbin, K. Dames, S. Daman, A. Dearie, A. DeChellis, E. Edlund, A. Fitz-Gibbon, R. Grantham, J. Hall, T. Hunter, L. Jin, L. Lopez-Janove, A. Myers, A. Myles, K. Nuhu, , C. Pass, P. Perkins, V. Placide, R. Powell, M. Prus, J. Radloff, P. Schroeder K. Silvestri, G. Sharer, T. Suzuki, D. West, C. Widdall B. Williams, S. Yoo J. Zhe-Heimerman

Members and Senators Absent: K. Johnson, M. Stone, G.Vogt

Guests: M. Barnaby, L.Davies, L. Delaubell, K. Haplin, D. Harms, C. Kaltefleiter, C. Knopf, J. McNamara, J. Ouellette, K. Sheets,

I. Approval of Minutes: The Minutes from February 1st were approved by the Senate.

II. Chair's Report: G. Birren – Reported that the UFS Spring Plenary has been rescheduled for 4/3/22-4/5/22 (Sun-Tues), which will interfere with our Faculty Senate meeting that is scheduled for Tuesday, 4/5/22; as a result, several members including herself will be absent from that day's senate meeting.

III. Vice Chair/Secretary's Report: B. Williams – No report.

IV. Treasurer's Report: C. Widdall – No report.

V. President's Report: E. Bitterbaum:

- Reported on his meeting with the governor, explaining that there are funds available for both SUNY and CUNY
- Reported that he and the provost have a meeting this afternoon with the interim SUNY Chancellor regarding the comprehensive colleges
- Micro-Credentialing is in high demand
- Task force is in the works as a means to eliminate single-use plastic items (i.e.straws, cutlery, cups, etc.); committee to consist of faculty, staff, students, and ASC members
- NYS COVID numbers have dropped significantly

VII. Policy Committee Reports

Joint Committee on Student Interests: K. Silvestri – No report

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

Educational Policy Committee: E. Edlund, Chair – Reported that the committee has been working on micro-credentialing; an initial policy draft is in the works to iron out the details. Committee also plans to send a memo out sometime within the next week or so to all the deans and department chairs regarding the interpretation and use of a standard GPA.

Professional Affairs Committee: S. Daman, Chair – No report

Area Senators: No report

SUNY Senator/ Alternate Senator: C. Badurek/A. Blavos – No report

Student Senator: T. Hunter:

- Announced that the SGA will be hosting a formal on 3/1/22
- Will be holding an interest meeting this evening at 7PM for their election board
- SGA recently endorsed a resolution that came from Student Affairs regarding prison labor; will bring to Faculty Senate Steering Committee for endorsement from the Faculty Senate

VIII. Other Standing Committee Reports:

Committee on Teaching Effectiveness: M. Moyer, Chair – No report.

College Curriculum Review Committee: Chair – No report.

College Research Committee: Chair – No report.

General Education Committee: L. Delaubell, Chair – J. McNamara and L. Delaubell reported that the committee has been working on revisions to GE requirements as well as SLO's; these revisions will be implemented Fall 2023 (*Please find document attached in email*). A survey will be sent out to campus within the next few days for feedback

Graduate Faculty Executive Committee: Chair – No report.

IX. Unfinished Business:

- **Call for Nominations, Spring 2021** – Additional nominations were accepted from the floor in an effort to fill any remaining vacancies from the Spring 2021 call for nominations (*Please find document attached*).
- **SGA Resolution 2022-01** – Endorsement of a Syllabus Request System (*Please find document attached*).
 - Request to withdraw resolution was made by K. Silvestri; changes will be made to resolution based on feedback received by the Faculty Senate and the Joint Committee on Student Interests and re-introduced to the Faculty Senate for endorsement once completed
 - No objections; resolution withdrawn
- **PAC Membership Resolution** (*Please find document attached*).
 - No objections; resolution passes
- **UFS Resolution 190-01-1** – Advancement of Historically Underrepresented Faculty (*Please find document attached*).
 - No objections; resolution passes
- **UFS Resolution 190-02-1** – Successful Implementation of the SUNY General Education Category, Diversity: Equity, Inclusion, and Social Justice (*Please find document attached*).
 - No objections; resolution passes
- **FCCC Statement** – SUNY Chancellor and Executive Leadership Searches (*Please find document attached*).
 - No objections; resolution passes

X. New Business:

- **Academic Calendars, 2023-2024, 2024-2025, and 2025-2026** (*Please find documents attached*)
 - L. Davies explained there were 13 responses received to survey; main concern was regarding the possibility of extending Thanksgiving break to the entire week, rather than the 3 days
 - Feasibility of implementing a full week break for Thanksgiving isn't realistic due to scheduling conflicts; academic year would have to extend further into May, or begin earlier in August, which would strain the majority of offices across campus

- What is the reasoning behind presenting calendars 3 years at a time, rather than individually?
 - Helps with planning ahead of time; many larger universities plan 3-5 years in advance
- **Academic Faculty Affairs Committee** – Chapters 220.06 & 220.07 of the College Handbook (*Please find document attached*).
 - Is the process being changed in any way?
 - No, these revisions are to simply clarify the process
- **Academic Faculty Affairs Committee** – Portfolio Reviews Timeline Flowchart (*Please find document attached*).
- **Academic Faculty Affairs Committee** – Portfolio Timelines, Side by Side (*Please find document attached*).

XI. Announcements:

- C. Widdall – Phi Kappa Phi will be holding their induction ceremony remotely again this year; encouraged faculty members to attend, as there will be faculty members inducted this year. President J. Foley will be sending an email with details regarding the ceremony
- G. Birren – Changes made to the PAC will need to go through referendum, as they are changes to Chapter 150 of the College Handbook

Meeting was adjourned at 2:19PM on 2/15/22

Minutes submitted by: Amy M. DeChellis