

Faculty Senate Minutes #3

February 27th 2018

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

Members and Senators Absent: J. McNamara, D. West, R. Fiddler, T. Suzuki, S. Strause, P. Schroeder, E. Bitterbaum, P. Perkins.

Guests: J. Wilson.

I. Approval of Minutes: The Minutes from February 13th, 2018 were approved by the Senate.

II. Senate Actions: No Senate actions.

III. Chair's Report: J. Ouellette – No Report.

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

V. Treasurer's Report: Reminded members about dues; dues are \$10, and can be paid either in cash or by check. As a reminder, please send dues to: Regina Grantham, Communication Disorders & Sciences Dept. PRST, Room 2201. The treasurer also reported that the current balance in the Faculty Senate Memorial Scholarship Fund is \$1,032.37.

VI. Secretary's Report: No Report.

VII. President's Report: E. Bitterbaum – No report

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 SGA vice president will be attending an upcoming SUNY conference.
- Reported that SGA discussed the timeline for a student to file a grievance (from Chapter 350.01B.1) and voted to change the number of days from 45 to 15 (see action taken under unfinished business).

IX. Other Committee Reports:

Committee on Teaching Awards: J. Ouelette, Temp. Chair – Reported that the TAC is continuing to review candidates for teaching awards.

Committee on Teaching Effectiveness: K. Bonafide, Chair – No report.

College Research Committee: B. Hodges, Chair – No report

General Education Committee: J. MacNamara, Chair – No report

Graduate Faculty Executive Committee: J. Curtis, Chair – No report

Committee on Committees: G. Evans, Chair – No report

X. Unfinished Business:

- *AGT* Policy updates were voted on and approved, with the following amendments:
 - 340.03.A.b. was amended to clarify election of AGT Chair
 - 340.03d and e were amended to clarify the administrative representative of the provost and their voting rights. Sections d and e were then collapsed per adjustments made in the section above
 - The term “Chair” throughout the document has been replaced with “AGT Chair” or “Department Chair” where appropriate
 - Under Section 350.01, subsection B, there has been a change from “60 working days” to “15 working days,” as recommended by the SGA.

Please note:

- A general suggestion was made that those updating the college handbook should consider using the word responsible or not responsible instead of guilty and not guilty – which would bring these policies in line with the language used by the student conduct office.
- A general suggestion was also made to consider the use of they/their instead of he/she throughout the handbook.

Senator C. Widdall made the motion to accept the amended AGT Policy, which was seconded by Senator D. VanLangen.

- Faculty Senate Resolution: Access to Free Menstrual Products was endorsed by the Senate
 - D. Van Langen made the motion to accept, which was then seconded by A. Blavos
- UFS Resolution: Advising International Students was endorsed by the Senate
 - A. Blavos made the motion to accept, which was seconded by H. Haines

XI. New Business: No new business

XII. Announcements:

- C. Widdall announced that EPC will be holding an open meeting on the Friday following Spring Break, which will be 3/23/18.
- J. Ouellette announced that there will be a UUP demonstration on 3/1/18, related to the UUP contract.
- W. Miller announced that there will be an open meeting on 3/1/18 from 1:45-2:30pm in the Miller Building, Room 405, for the Human Resources Assistant Director search.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:30PM on 2/27/18

Minutes submitted by: Amy M. DeChellis