

Faculty Senate Minutes #5

November 9th, 2021

Via WebEx

Members and Senators Present: S. Anderson, M. Alvisi, 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, T. Hunter, K. Johnson, L. Lopez-Janove, L. Jin, A. Myles, M. Prus, K. Silvestri, P. Schroeder, G. Sharer, G. Vogt, D. West, C. Widdall, B. Williams, S. Yoo, J. Zhe-Heimerman

Members and Senators Absent: C. Badurek, J. Hall, A. Meyers, K. Nuhu, P. Perkins, C. Pass, V. Placide, R. Powell, J. Radloff

Guests:

I. Approval of Minutes: The Minutes from October 26th were approved by the Senate.

II. Chair's Report: G. Birren – No report.

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

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

V. President's Report: E. Bitterbaum:

- We have begun to prepare for the start of the Spring 2022 semester.
- Recently returned from fundraising with alumni from the west coast, DC, and Florida; fundraising efforts are in the form of planned gifts for the university (projected over \$350,000)
- We have funding for the planned renovations in Miller and Van Hoesen.
- On 11/18/21 there will be a virtual pre-visit with Middle States
- This Saturday 11/13/21 will be the 61st Cortaca Jug game; SGA will be sponsoring a parade that will be held on Saturday, beginning at 9AM.

VII. Policy Committee Reports

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

Academic Faculty Affairs Committee: A. Fitz-Gibbon, Chair – Reported the committee is continuing to meet regularly on a weekly basis.

Educational Policy Committee: E. Edlund, Chair – Reported that the committee is continuing their work in reviewing the grievance process, while also reviewing chapters 340/350 of the College Handbook. The committee hopes to have a vetting document out to campus later this week.

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:

- Reported that SGA, in addition to the parade they will be sponsoring for Cortaca weekend, they will also be having a hat giveaway on Friday (11/12/21) from 2:30PM-4PM; this giveaway is on a first come, first serve basis
- SGA will have their student senate meeting tonight, in which she will be stressing the importance of respecting the neighbors in the community during Cortaca weekend.
- SGA wants to urge students and faculty to wear red over the weekend in support of their Paint Cortland Red event.

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 – No report.

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*).

X. New Business:

- **Africana Studies Addition to Social/Behavioral Sciences Division** (*Please find document attached*).
 - How will this affect the School Personnel Sub-Committee?
 - There will be an additional member added to the committee
- **UFS Resolution 189.02** – Executive Budget (*Please find document attached*).
- **UFS Resolution 189.03** – Increase Flexibility in Telecommuting Policy (*Please find document attached*).
- **UFS Resolution 189.04** - Contact Hours Policy for Applied Learning Experiences (*Please find document attached*).
 - 40 hours per credit hour; Cortland already goes by this standard, so, we wouldn't be changing anything.
- **UFS Resolution 189.05** – UFS Commitment to Education about Racism and American History (*Please find document attached*).
- **SGA Resolution 2022-01** – Endorsement of a Syllabus Request System (*Please find document attached*).
 - There is a concern among several faculty that this resolution would make faculty members' syllabi (intellectual property) available to anyone.
 - Resolution isn't meant to be a new depository; instead, it is meant to be an ease of access for students/alumni when applying for graduate school and jobs.
 - Once resolution is approved by the student senate, would this resolution be something that EPC would handle moving forward?
 - Possibly; although, since this resolution isn't a Faculty Senate resolution, Faculty Senate and/or EPC cannot alter the resolution itself

XI. Announcements: N/A

Meeting was adjourned at 2:27PM on 11/9/21

Minutes submitted by: Amy M. DeChellis

