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Faculty Senate Meeting

Minutes

May 4, 2015

3:00 PM

Presiding: Michael Carter

Attendees: Lisa Abdallah, Michael Beers, Dhimiter Bello, Maria Brunette, Eve Buzawa, Jennifer Cadero-Gillette, Michael Carter, Nicole Champagne, Guanling Chen, Timothy Cook, Timothy Crain, Judith Davidson, Paul DeStefano, Zahra Fardmanesh, Rebecca Foco, Steven Freund, Alice Frye, Heidi Furey, Jessica Garb, Robert Giles, Jennifer Gonzalez-Zugasti, Nancy Goodyear, Michael Graves, Christopher Hansen, Michelle Haynes, Ying Huang, Murat Inalpolat, Stephen Johnston, Wael Kamal, Whitley Kaufman, Alexander Kheifets, Margaret Laccetti, Haim Levkowitz, Erika Lewis, Karen Lin, David Lustick, Margaret Manion, Maria Matz, Dalila Megherbi, Stephen Mishol, Keith Mitchell, Arthur Mittler, Joann MoriartyBaron, Donna Mullin, Nese Orbey, Charles Ormsby, Melissa Pennell, Anya Peters, Mairead Pratschke, Joshua Qian, Shakil Quayes, Prakash Rai, Marina Ruths, Charlotte Ryan, Michelle Scribner-MacLean, Mitchell Shuldman, Jana Sladkova, Meg Sobkowicz-Kline, Laurie Soroken, Sang Hyun Suh, Kate Swanger, Stefanie Tate, Ardeth Thawngmung, Joel Therrien, Walter Toomey, Mark Tries, Jenna Vinson, Yana Weinstein, Jennifer Wilber, Miko Wilford, John Wooding, YiNing Wu, Seongkyu Yoon, Hengyong Yu, Juheng Zhang

Recording: Martha Burns

The Annual Election of Officers commenced at 3:20 with the Faculty Senate meeting following.

- Annual Election of Officers
Michael Carter was elected as faculty Senate President with 58 votes. Erika Lewis was elected Vice President with 58 votes. Eve Buzawa was elected Faculty Representative to the Board of Trustees with 57 votes. Lisa Abdallah was elected Alternate Representative to the Board of Trustees with 58 votes.
- Minutes of April 6, 2015 Faculty Senate Meeting

A motion was made by Michael Graves to approve the April 6, 2015 Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes. It was seconded by Erika Lewis and passed unanimously.

Graduate Policy and Affairs Committee (GPAC), (Professor Mawn)

- Preliminary Proposal for a Master of Social Work (MSW) Degree
Robert Malloy provided an overview indicating that the proposal is being developed with the College of Health Sciences. A motion was made to accept the proposal. The motion passed with one opposed.
- Proposal to reduce the number of credits and revise the curriculum in the Leadership in Schooling Ed.D.
Dean Greenwood provided an overview. A motion was made to accept the proposal. It was seconded and passed unanimously.

Undergraduate Policy and Affairs Committee (UPC), (Professor Mittler)

- Proposal to change residency requirement needed for Latin Honors
Language to be added:
“Students who transfer into the University will be eligible for University Honors if he/she earned a minimum of 3.0 at his/her previous institution, earned a minimum of grade point average of 3.25 for all courses completed at the University and satisfied the University Residency Requirements.” Kerry Donohoe provided an overview. A motion was made to accept the proposal. It was seconded and passed unanimously.
- Proposal to change credit requirements outside the Major for BA Degrees in FAHSS
This proposal is for information. No vote was necessary.
- Proposal to allow RN-BS students to transfer up to 60 credits from Associate Degree Programs
Barbara Mawn provided an overview of this proposal which amends the University policy for RN-BS students by allowing them to transfer up to 60 credits from associate degree programs. A motion was made to accept this proposal. It was seconded and passed unanimously.
- Proposal to change name of Art Department to Art and Design Department, Proposal to change concentration names from Art to Studio Art and Design to Graphic Design
Jehanne Marie-Gavarini provided an overview of the name changes. A motion was made to accept both proposals. They were seconded and passed unanimously.
- Proposal to revise the Bachelor of Liberal Arts Program (BLA), Proposal to add FAHSS language requirement to the BLA program of studies
The proposal adds two new courses to the BLA Program to increase academic rigor. A motion was made to accept the proposal. It was seconded and passed unanimously. The second proposal adds the language requirement to the BLA. A motion was made to accept the proposal. It was seconded and passed unanimously.
- Proposal to revise the Atmospheric Science Option in the BS in Environmental Science
This proposal is for information. No vote was necessary.
- Preliminary Proposal for a Bachelor of Arts in Education (BA Ed) with two concentrations: Early Childhood Education and Special Education

Dean Greenwood provided an overview of the proposal. A motion was made to accept the proposal. It was seconded and passed unanimously.

For Information Only

- GPAC: Proposal to change policy regarding progression in the master's Program, School of Nursing
- GPAC: Proposal to revise the Master of Science in Environmental Studies, Atmospheric Option and the Professional Science Masters in Environmental Studies, Atmospheric Studies
- UPC: Proposal to increase program progression requirement for Nursing Students
- UPC: Proposal to add a Business Ethics course to the BSBA curriculum in the Manning School of Business (MSB)

Library Advisory Committee, (Professor Davidson, Mitchell Shuldman)

- Michael Carter introduced the Library report. Judith Davidson and Mitchell Shuldman provided an overview. Mitchell then presented a Brainshark presentation on the library. Vice Provost Abdelal indicated that in addition to the library many departments have personnel who are retiring. He indicated that there is currently no plan to decrease full-time library staff. However, changes in the skill set of full-time staff recruited to replace retiring librarians are anticipated. Vice Provost Mandell indicated the survey presented was done last Spring and continuing fine-grained analysis is taking place.

Core Curriculum Committee, (Professor Graves)

- Michael Graves provided an update on the progress of the Committee. 120 courses have been submitted. 34 have been approved. The Committee will be meeting over the summer. James Nehring will be offering four workshops. Dates will be announced soon.

Other Business

- Faculty Senate By-Laws, May 2015 Version
A motion was made to accept the revised By-Laws. It was seconded and passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 4:17 PM.