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## Faculty Senate Meeting

Minutes

May 1, 2017

3:30 PM

Presiding: Michael Graves

Attendees: Lisa Abdallah, Alex Angulo, Shelley Barish, Michelle Bazin, Elizabeth Bobek, Francis Bonner, John Brown, Clifford Bruell, Bryan Buchholz, John Morgan Bush, Jennifer Cadero-Gillette, Kyle Coffey, Timothy Cook, Judith Davidson, Ann Dean, Glenn Dissinger, Urmitapa Dutta, Heidi Fantasia, Zahra Fardmanesh, Jennifer Fish, Patricia Fontaine, Michele Fox, Matthew Gage, Huiqi Gan, Richard Gaschnig, Ramraj Gautam Jennifer Gorczyca, Mary Gormley, Michael Graves, Keith Hallbourg, Christopher Hansen, Michelle Haynes-Baratz, Robert Holmes, Andrew Hostetler, Beth Humberd, Murat Inalpolat, Stephen Johnston, Wael Kamal, Whitley Kaufman, Lori Keough, Alexander Kheifets, Mona Kleinberg, Nicolai Konow, Tunde Kovacs, Kimberly Kras, David Kriebel, Jason Lawrence, Eunju Lee, Cathy Levey, Taras Lyubchenko, Hunter Mack, Mufeed Mahd, Sara Marks, Maria Matz, John McCarthy, Dalila Megherbi, Kimberly Merriman, Garrett Michaelson, Arthur Mittler, Donna Mullin, Michael Myre, Nese Orbey, Robert Parkin, Kevin Petersen, Muhammad Quayes, Misha Rabinovich, Prakash Rai, Emmanuelle Reynaud, Marine Ruths, Charlotte Ryan, Daniel Schmidt, John Shirley, Katherine Shrieves, Walter Smith, Meg Sobkowicz-Kline, Christopher Strobel, Tommaso Tempesti, Walter Thomas, Joel Tickner, Edgar Torres, Mark Tries, Jennifer Wilber, Hengyong Yu, Xiaoqi Zhang

Recording: Martha Burns

### Annual Election of Officers

Michael Graves was elected as Faculty Senate President with 72 votes, Heidi Fantasia as Vice President with 69 votes, Lisa Abdallah as Faculty Representative to the Board of Trustees with 72 votes and Kimberly Merriman as Alternate Representative to the Board of Trustees with 34 votes.

## Budget Review Process, (Provost Vayda)

Provost Vayda provided an overview of the budget. Deans have been making presentations and six or seven colleges have presented. The goal is to make the process more transparent. He looks for opportunities to do some things more efficiently. Space has become an issue with the proliferation of 03 staff. He indicated that enrollment numbers look very good.

Clara Orlando, Human Resources, gave a presentation on accommodations for students with disabilities.

## Minutes of April 3, 2017 Faculty Senate Meeting

A motion was made to approve the Minutes of the April 3, 2017 Faculty Senate Meeting. It was seconded and passed unanimously.

## Report from the Faculty Representative to the Board of Trustees, (Professors Abdallah, Johnston)

- Minutes
  - a. 4-5-17, Board of Trustees Committee on Academic and Student Affairs
  - b. 4-11-17, Board of Trustees Committee of the Whole
  - c. 4-12-17, Board of Trustees
  - d. 4-12-17, Intercampus Faculty Council

Lisa Abdallah and Stephen Johnston provided an overview of the Board of Trustees Meetings.

## Proposed Changes in Program Approval Submissions and granting of PhD's by State Universities

- Letter from Executive Committee to Board of Higher Education
- Letter from Executive Committee to State Representatives

Michael Graves updated the Faculty Senate on two letters submitted. The Executive Committee recommended that expanding the state university's ability to grant PhD's would not be in the best interest of the university system as a whole.

## Graduate Policy Committee (GPAC), (Professor Reynaud)

- Proposal to add two Options – the Applied Behavior Analysis Option and the Research Intensive Option – in the Master of Science (MS) in Autism Studies

Emmanuelle Reynaud provided an overview of the options. A motion was made to approve the options. It was seconded and passed unanimously.

- Proposal for a graduate Certificate in Additive Manufacturing (AM) in Radio Frequency (RF) and Microwave (MW) Applications

Alkim Akyurtlu provided an overview of the certificate. A motion was made to approve the certificate. It was seconded and passed unanimously.

- Proposal for a Co-operative (Co-op) Education Option in the Master of Science programs in the College of Engineering

Associate Dean Sherwood provided an overview of the Co-operative (Co-op) Options in the Master of Science programs. A motion was made to approve this proposal. It was seconded and passed unanimously.

#### Undergraduate Policy Committee (UPC), (Professor Mittler)

- Proposal for a Bachelor of Liberal Arts (BLA) Fine Arts Concentration

This proposal is for a Studio Arts Concentration and not a Fine Arts Concentration. A motion was made to approve the proposal. It was seconded and passed unanimously.

#### For Information Only

##### Graduate Policy and Affairs Committee (GPAC)

- Proposal to revise the curriculum in the PhD in Pharmaceutical Sciences
- Proposal to revise the curriculum in the Master of Science (MS) in Engineering Management
- Proposal to revise the curriculum in the Master of Science (MS) degree in Mechanical Engineering
- Service Learning Course Attribute Application Tracker/Requests

##### Undergraduate Policy Committee (UPC)

- Proposal to change requirements in the Nutrition Minor
- Proposal to revise the Clinical Sciences Minor
- First Year Writing Program
- Affirmative Progress Initiative in the Kennedy School of Sciences
- Service Learning Course Attribute Application Tracker/Requests

#### Summer Business

A motion was made to allow the Executive Committee of the Faculty Senate to act on behalf of the Faculty Senate during the summer months.

The meeting adjourned at 4:25 PM.