

Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes

Monday April 9, 2018

3:30 - 5:00 CH 126

Senators Present: Ahmed, Anderson, Asaduzzaman, Babnich, Bailey, Barut, Brown, Bryant, Bukonda, Castro, Celestin, Close, Cramer, Decker, Dehner, Dowling, Dusenberry, Elder, English, Hull, Jameson, Jarman, Johnson, Keene Woods, Muthitacharoen, Myose, Price, Pulaski, Rife, Schwartz, Shaw, Smith, Smith-Campbell, Solomey, Sternfeld-Dunn, Tamtam, Willis, Yildirim.

Excused: Bolin, Rokosz

Summary of Action

- Voted to confirm nominated members to the U. Exceptions Committee.
- Voted to approve a motion to support the College of Education's proposal for a Bachelor of Applied Sciences in Workforce Leadership and Applied Learning (BAS-WFAL). The motion passed by a vote of 26 in favor, 3 opposed and 4 abstentions.

I. Meeting called to Order at 3:30

II. Informal Statements and Proposals

A group of faculty has been working toward a new cluster hire in space science, space engineering, space health and planetary sciences. This group will hold an open meeting will be held on May 4 at 1:00 in Jabara 104.

III. Approval of the Minutes

Minutes from March 26 were approved.

IV. President's Report

- Joint Senate meeting on April 18 3:30 in CAC.
- General education revision committee composition is almost completed, but still need student rep and honors rep. Q: Are student and advisors voting members? Have not discussed that yet.
- Retention Council meeting. Remarkable number of efforts being made by so many people. SEM Goal 3 reports. Discussed SEAS data report – linked on senate web site.
- Creation of an Advisory council on sustainability of innovation campus through broader dialogue with faculty.
- Reminder of off-sequence meeting on May 7 (1st Monday) and also all-faculty meeting on May 4.

V. Committee Reports

- Provost search committee update - Betty Smith Campbell, Co-Chair. Over twenty-five diverse candidates. Will conduct airport and then on-campus interviews.
- Voted to confirm U. Exceptions committee members: **Perlekar Tamtam-College of Engineering; Susan Bray-College of Education; Brien Bolin-LAS Social and Behavioral Science.**

VI. Old Business

Bachelor's in Applied Sciences (from College of Education) (2nd reading). Question raised about hiring new faculty, and it was stated that no new faculty would be hired. Discussed how funds would be re-allocated to this program from programs with declining enrollment. **A motion to approve the proposal was made and approved by a vote of 26 in favor, 3 opposed and 4 abstentions.**

VII. New Business

- First Year Seminar proposal - 1st reading
 - Recommendation that the pilot proposal from 2015 be adopted as a required component of the curriculum for incoming freshmen (not transfer or continuing students with more than 24 credit hours) starting in Fall 2019. This will be about 1500 students for fall. Concerns were raised about whether we will have enough sections to fulfill the demand and also about the amount of data that has been compiled. [Supporting documents](#)
- Academic Integrity policy - 1st reading - One impetus for this is to capture more data for HLC accreditation. This will provide documentation of cases of academic dishonesty. Also discussed the proposed xF grade.
 - [2.17 Policy](#)
 - [Procedures](#)
 - [Flow chart diagram](#)
- Stacia Boden - WSIA - @ 4:30 – returning guest to answer questions from previous presentation (March 12), when time ran out. Questions concerned bidding procedures, composition of the alliance board, and whether other universities also leave out faculty and student input. Questions were raised about the for-profit arm of WSIA-concerning its remit, the membership of its board, and the appropriateness of having a board with only one member.
- Chance Swaim - Editor, Sunflower – Thanked the senate for their report and reported on their success in receiving multiple awards this year from Kansas Collegiate Media. The senate congratulated and applauded the Sunflowers ongoing efforts.

VIII. [Attendance](#)

IX. As May Arise