Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes  
Monday 15 May 2017  
Amended 25 August 2017  
9:30 a.m. Don Room 112


I. Called to order 9:35 by Rick Henry

II. Minutes from 12/19/16 meeting: Under IV. b. and VIII. Emmett Coon’s name spelled incorrectly. Nathan moved to approve minutes as amended, Barb Y. seconded, passed.

III. Minutes from 1/13/17: Della Dubbe’s name misspelled in attendance. Chad Hickox misspelled in V. Also in V. b. 5, the position of psychology should be sociology. John H. moved to approve minutes as amended, Steve seconded, passed.

IV. Minutes from 4/4/17: Add Viktor’s last name to attendance; Under item III., Barbara Yahvah’s name misspelled, “between” has a 3 that should be removed, add “plan” or “option” in front of A or B, Bryon’s name misspelled, and all “Yah’s” should be all yeas; Nathan moved to accept as amended. Emmett seconded, passed.

V. No communications

VI. Reports of Committee:
   a. Review report of ASCR from Kim. ASCR needs replacements for fall. Think about volunteering. ASCR has been source of contention in some instances and will now be on College Council and Advising. Discussion.
   b. PAC: Professional Advancement Committee for new faculty, did not document as well as hoped. Chad is going to facilitate the meetings in the future. Discussion. Karen H. and Steve both will give access to their Moodle Promotion and Tenure portfolios. If anyone wants access, contact Karen or Steve. Betsy said the OWL system did not work very well. Non-faculty don’t necessarily understand faculty issues.

VII. Unfinished Business:
   a. Administrative evaluations: 21 of 33 completed them. Rick will try to summarize those and meet with ECOS. Volunteers from ECOS will meet with leadership to relay results. No big surprises. Protocol question: where would Dr. Bingham’s evaluation go in light of our current structure? Should verify where. Rick will summarize for senate the results. Future evaluations: should division chairs be evaluated? If so, what protocol would need to be in place? Steve suggested there would be a bylaw change. Barbara suggested there should be a “vote of no confidence” procedure in the event of new leadership. This topic will be on the August agenda.
      i. John H. moved that senate work on new bylaws to include evaluations of division chairs and program directors; Tod seconded. Motion passed.
ii. Tod moved that we clarify the adjunct role in those evaluations, Barb seconded. Passed.

b. Joyce reported on the advising committee. They want to change to a delegated authority committee, as in the example of ASCR. Joyce suggested the advising committee start fresh in the fall. Current members will meet in September; what does senate feel that committee should be composed of? Also, who on staff side should be represented? It has been a melee so far.........it will be an institutional committee.

c. Graduation requirement voted on by senate members and will change from 50% to 33% of credits from HC, with some language about capstone, etc. This change needs to go before BoR. If any concerns, communicate with Kim.

d. New domain name moving forward; please check email during summer for updates.

VIII. New Business:

a. College Council Shakeup. This group will be a decision-making committee, and there is only one faculty member there (senate president). Is one member adequate? Shouldn’t both campuses be represented? Barb suggested it should be more equitable. Should there be a communication from senate questioning this?

i. Tod moved that there be a communication that faculty have more recommendation on the committee. Nathan seconded; Discussion. Steve moved to amend the motion to consult staff senate about their thoughts. Emmett seconded. Bryon point of discussion. There have been many committee changes; committees come and go, and faculty have lost representation on any IT issues. Nathan called question. Passed.

b. Faculty role in CEO search. We need to make sure we are involved. Steve noted that Clay Christian said faculty would have involvement. Steve offered to follow up with Christian. Karen H. moved that senate reach out as a body. Steve seconded, passed. ECOS will create a document and forward it to Commissioner Christian.

c. Budget 5% increase in tuition.

d. Open positions, there will be lots of positions open next year in senate and ASCR and other committees. We will be looking for volunteers from senate.

IX. Good and welfare/Question and answer. Steve and John H. both thanked Rick for his work over the past two years. John commended everyone for their involvement.

X. Nathan moved to adjourn. Karen RC seconded. Meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m.