Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes

Date and Time: 25 August 2021

Room: Online via Teams


CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order at 2:03 p.m. by President Sawatzki.

I. Minutes from May 10, 2021 meeting: Rick H. moved to approve minutes as presented. Nathan seconded. Motion passed.

II. Welcome new members, Lisa Zimmerman, Erin Kuntzweiler, and Heather Bender.

III. Unfinished Business:
   a. The BoR voted to litigate HB 102, so it will not take effect right away.
   b. Budget: $950 is still there for activities this semester.
   c. Phil is stepping down as president after this meeting today. There will be an ECOS vote after this meeting to elect new officers.
   d. ASCR report from Bryon: Need new members to replace Lisa Simpson and Debra Rapaport. Ann W. is no longer on as a non-voting member. Discussion.
         1. Della nominated Phillip; Nathan seconded.
         2. Phillip nominated Lyn; Bryon seconded.
         3. Bryon moved to close nominations; Steve seconded. Motion passed.
         4. John H. moved to approve by acclamation; Emmett seconded. Motion passed.
   e. PAC: Steve and Amy will meet and then reach out to mentors and new hires.
   f. Academic Program Review Committee: Explanation and discussion of By-Law and article changes for standing committee, second reading. Tod move to approve the changes. Steve seconded. Motion passed.
   g. Titles of names in Section XI of Senate By-Laws. Virginia moved to approve the language revisions; Steve seconded. Discussion: Motion passed.

IV. New Business:
   a. Masks on campus. Discussion: Faculty Senate recommends that all faculty set a good example by wearing masks and encouraging others to wear masks. Nathan noted that as an institution of higher education, and especially one that educates healthcare professionals, to disregard the warnings of Lewis and Clark County Public Health officials regarding masks is at least hypocritical and at worst dangerous. ECOS will take this up.
b. Faculty Office Space: Discussion and vote. The vote was unanimous: faculty members would prefer private offices over cubicles in Don 103. ECOS will take this up.

V. Good and Welfare/Question and Answer: Tod’s program got a new aircraft, Citation 1. Della said it was nice to “see” us all again and she enjoyed the meeting. Come see the improvements to the LLH. Karen thanked Phil for his work as president.

VI. Adjournment: Steve moved to adjourn; Tod seconded. Meeting adjourned at 3:19 p.m.