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2019-2020 Faculty Senate Minutes

Wednesday, January 15, 2020, 2p.m.

Community Engagement Center 230/231

Present: Barone, Brownlee, Cast-Brede, Chen, Davidson, DeSanti, Hale, Hamid-Sharif, Helm, Kelly, Kilinc, King, Nero, Ostler, Paine, Qureshi, Randall, Rech, Schaffer, Schoenbeck, Shaw, Siy, Surface, Volkman, Wessling, Woody, Zhong

Excused: Adidam, Huq, Logsdon, Nelson, Podariu, Sim

Unexcused: Anderson, Lee, Maher, Rogers

- I. **The meeting was Called to Order** by President Hale at 2:03p.m.
- II. **The Minutes** of December 11, 2019 and November 13, 2019 were approved as submitted.
- III. **Officers' Reports**
 - A. **President's Report:** Senator Hale

Senator Hale invited President Ted Carter to a future Faculty Senate meeting. Faculty should think of questions and/or topics they would like to discuss with him in the future.

B. Secretary/Treasurer Report: Senator Davidson

EO&A Attendees: Ostler, Davidson, Hale, Kamm, Pettid, Smith-Howell, Roman, Surface, Kopp, Gold

- Faculty were encouraged to provide feedback for Big Idea proposals using the Big Ideas portal before January 1.
- SVC Kopp met with Deans about implementation of Distinguished Professor & Senior Lecturer and a formal announcement will be made in January.
- Enrollment for the spring is staying steady from the fall semester. There are higher reenrollment numbers and there are key courses that have helped to increase number of credit hours per student.
- SVC Kopp will be looking into a more standard process for units to create Annual Reports
- SVC Kopp is looking into possible tools for evaluating teaching effectiveness.
- Acknowledgement of resolutions.

(Further discussion: Senator Davidson would like faculty to look at the Big Idea proposals. Doing so will increase your awareness of what other colleges are doing around campus.)

IV. Executive Council: Senator Surface

- A. The number of Faculty Senate seats will remain at 37, based upon current faculty counts.
- B. The Chancellor's Commission on Gender Equity is looking into the policy regarding faculty and staff bringing their own children to the office.

V. Standing Committee Reports

- A. **Committee on Academic & Curricular Affairs:** Senator Woody
No meeting, no report.
- B. **Committee on Educational Resources & Services:** Senator Schoenbeck
No meeting, no report.
Committee on Faculty Personnel & Welfare: Senator Garcia
No meeting, no report.
- C. **Committee on Goals & Directions:** Senator Ostler
No meeting, no report.
- D. **Professional Development:** Senator Cast-Brede
No meeting, no report.



E. Committee on Committees: Senator Qureshi

No meeting, no report.

VI. Other Faculty Senate Committee

A. Ad hoc Committee on Faculty Advancement: Senator Ostler

(Further discussion: Senator Ostler stated the committee is looking for long-term solutions and hopes for a resolve at the end of summer.)

VII. For the Good of the Order

VIII. New Business

IX. The meeting adjourned at 2:14 pm with announcements.