

Faculty Senate Meeting

Minutes

September 4, 2020

1:00pm–2:30pm

Attendees: Dr. Emily Cutrer, Dr. Craig Nakashian, Dr. David Allard, Dr. Drew Morton, Dr. Abbie Strunc, Dr. WaiYuen Chan, Dr. Joan Brumm, Dr. Angie Sikorski, Dr. Brian Matthews, Dr. Doug Julien, Dr. Mohamed Morsy, Dr. Michael Perri, Dr. Rebeca Cooper, Dr. Brian Billings

I. Call to order (1:03 pm - Dr. Nakashian)

II. President’s Report Dr. Emily Cutrer

1. Base Line Budget Review – looking at what we need to have in each account, line by line. Reviewing what is spent yearly, going back 3-4 years, and determining what is necessary moving forward. The goal is to accomplish this in the first quarter. Each budget has been given a quarter of their yearly budget to operate on.

VPAA Search Update – 42 applicants. Today the interview questions were finalized and awaiting approval from Human Resources (Dr. Angie Sikorski).

III. President of Faculty Senate Report Dr. Craig Nakashian

1. Met with Dr. Cutrer last Wednesday. Discussed COVID-19.

IV. Committee Reports and Business Items

a) Curriculum Committee

- Awaiting confirmation of committee members.

b) Core Curriculum Assessment Committee

- Chair: Dr. Doug Julien; Members: Dr. Craig Nakashian, Chris Siquefield, Dr. David Reavis, and Dr. Angie Sikorski

c) Education Technology

- Chair: Dr. David Allard; Members: Dr. Rebeca Cooper, Dr. Kevin Williams, Dr. Joy Goldstein, Chris Siquefield, Dr. Fawad Rauf, Ms. Linda Scott - Non-voting

d) Academic Standards

- Chair: Dr. Drew Morton; Members: Dr. WaiYuen Chan, Dr. James Nguyen, Dr. Brian Billings, Dr. Joseph Burzynski, Dr. Kim Murray

e) Academic Rules and Procedures (All proposed changes are attached as separate documents)

- Chair: Dr. Craig Nakashian; Members: Patricia Humphrey, Dr. Godpower Okereke, Dr. Fawad Rauf, Dr. Sara Lawrence, non-voting Jennifer Willis and Jill Whittington

f) FRED

- Chair: Dr. Mohamed Morsy; Members: Dr. Joan Brumm, Dr. Brian Matthews, Dr. Dana Leighton, Dr. M.D. Kalam, Dr. Ben Neuman, Dr. Jing Chen
- Proposed revisions to operational guidelines (See attachment) – Dr. Nakashian stated: there was an issue with how the budget was allocated and Dr. Cutrer has asked the Senate to determine what they would like FRED to be used for. Dr. Cutrer would like to see it used for faculty research.
- Discussion: FRED is requesting IRB approval prior to the request for funds. Dr. Julien – believes it’s a mistake to gain IRB approval prior to receiving funding. Dr. Nakashian – since IRB is required to do the research, it may be best for timing purposes to have it approved prior to submission for funding. Dr. Julien expresses concern over how the funds are used research versus faculty development. If there is a heavier emphasis on research than faculty development it potentially leaves CASE out of the running. Dr. Brumm – each college has an amount designated for each faculty member for professional development, not research.
- Dr. Morsy – wants to have two alternative members on the committee (Agreed to serve: Dr. Rebeca Cooper; Dr. Michael Perri). Angela Gideons will add them to the website list.
- Vote: In favor: 9, Against: 2, Abstain: 1

g) Faculty Status

- Chair: Dr. Drew Morton; Members: Dr. Brian Billings, Dr. Corrine Hinton, Dr. Walter Casey, Dr. Jaime Cantrell, Mr. Kenny Irizarry, Dr. WaiYuen Chan (Approved).

h) Budget Committee

- Co-Chair: Dr. Joann Brumm, Dr. WaiYai Chan; Members: Dr. Richard Parson, Dr. Jialing Huang, Dr. Jing Chen, Dr. Abbie Strunc (Approved).

V. New Business

- Dr. Nakashian and Dr. Sikorski will address the following with Dr. Cutrer:
IRB issue with Dr. Cutrer.
 1. Dr. Nakashian will ask Dr. Cutrer about her proposal for professional development.
 2. Dr. Nakashian will talk to Dr. Cutrer about the Dashboard.
 3. Dr. Julien – wants to address the extra work adjuncts are doing.

Meeting adjourned (2:25 pm – Dr. Nakashian)

VI. Next Meeting: October 2, 2020