

## Faculty Senate Minutes

Thursday, January 19, 2017 at the Alumni House, 2:00 PM

### I. Attendance:

Gary Renz, J. Aleshunas, R. Assner-Alvey, L. Baden, K. Corley, A. Geraghty-Rathert, G. Glasgow, T. Green, J. Palmer, D. Psihountas, T. Reilly, B. Rodney, S. Schroeder, H. Singaravelu, and J. Stulce.

### II. Approval of Minutes:

Minutes of the December 1, 2016 and December 15, 2016 Senate meetings were approved upon motion by J. Aleshunas, seconded by R. Assner-Alvey.

### III. Old Business

1. A replacement representative still needs to be appointed for Scott Jenson (at large representative) on the Global Citizenship Program Committee for Spring 2017. G. Renz will post a notice on the faculty assembly listserv for volunteers.
2. Julia Griffey (School of Communication) was approved to replace Mary Cox on the Curriculum Committee for Spring 2017 upon motion by L. Baden, seconded by K. Corley.
3. Ralph Olliges (School of Education) was approved to replace Paula Witkowski on the Graduate Council for Spring 2017, effective in March 2017, upon motion by A. Geraghty-Rathert, seconded by J. Palmer.
4. Discussed the Senate's Global Citizenship Program review committee. The fundamental question discussed was what is the purpose of the review committee? G. Renz said he thinks the committee should review the entire Global Citizenship Program. For example:
  - Is the program achieving its original goals?
  - Is the program good for the university community as a whole?
  - How is the program impacting our academic programs, including student enrollments, transfer students, curriculum offerings, and how academic programs are structured?
  - How will this program be viewed in the Higher Learning Commission accreditation process?

After discussion, no formal action was taken on the purpose of the review committee.

L. Baden agreed to join the committee, along with T. Reilly and R. Assner-Alvey. This group will represent the Senate on the Global Citizenship Program review that will be conducted jointly with the Senate's Global Citizenship Program committee members and the Administration, including the Provost. The group agreed to write a mission statement for the GCP review committee to present at the next Faculty Senate meeting. This mission statement will describe the function of the committee and the scope of review of the Global Citizenship Program. Once approved by the Senate, this will be presented to the Administration and the GCP committee for discussion.

5. Tabled discussion of agenda item on what areas to pursue based on the Faculty Priorities Initiative and the Fall 2016 Faculty Assembly Survey.

#### IV. New Business

1. Discussed proposed Finance Advisory Committee

Upon motion by T. Green, seconded by T. Reilly, the Senate unanimously approved G. Renz' proposal for the Finance Advisory Committee and also approved G. Renz' recommendation that the members of the Salary and Fringe Benefit Committee (Jeff, Carter, Debbie Psihountas, Allan MacNeill, and Doug O'Bannon), along with the Senate President, be the committee members for the Spring 2017 semester.

2. Discussed proposed Marketing Advisory Committee

The Senate discussed G. Renz' proposal for the Marketing Advisory Committee without taking formal action. The Senate discussed whether each college or school should have a faculty member on the committee or the members should be at-large representatives. Without taking formal action, the Senate discussed having Eric Rhiney, J. Palmer, and H. Singaravelu as committee members. Tabled further discussion until the next Faculty Senate meeting.

3. Discussed proposed Bias Incident Reporting Committee

Faculty Senate has agreed to work with the administration, students, and staff to create a committee to review the bias incident reporting form and procedures associated with bias incidents. G. Renz said he thinks there should be a standing committee that gathers complaints and refers them to appropriate groups or individuals that are charged with dealing with those types of complaints or issues. Senate discussed this and other ideas without formal action.

The Senate agreed that each school or college should have a faculty representative on the committee. The Senate agreed to ask Jeff Hughes from the Leigh Gerding College of Fine Arts, Danielle MacCartney from the College of Arts & Sciences, and Elizabeth Risik from Walker School of Business and Technology to serve on the review committee. B. Rodney and T. Green will identify a committee member from the School of Education. K. Corley and L. Baden will identify a committee member from the School of Communications.

Tabled further discussion for next Faculty Senate meeting.

4. Discussed a confidential matter that will not be reported in minutes.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 3:45 PM.