

Minutes  
Faculty Senate Executive Committee  
Monday, March 25, 2019

1. Chair David Hauser called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m. in the Bluestone Room, Mountainlair.

Members Present:

Bastress, R.	Cronin, A.	Haines, K.	McConnell, J.
Bernardes, E.	Fleming, S.	Hauser, D.	Murphy, E.
Brock, R.	Goff, N.	Martucci, A.	

Members Absent:

DiBartolomeo, L.	Hileman, S.	Valenti, M.	Veselicky, L.
Gee, E.	Lieving, G.		

Guests:

Campbell, J.	Kreider, P.	Shannon, R.	Wilson, C.
Gavin, M.	Pfeifer, A.	Slimak, L.	

2. Chair Hauser moved for approval of the minutes from the February 25, 2019 meeting.  
Motion carried.
3. Provost Joyce McConnell reported the following:
  - At the request of Faculty Senate leadership, the Provost's Office will attempt to make its reports to the Senate more productive and process-focused.
  - Her official start date as president at Colorado State University is July 1. She will begin traveling a lot and phasing out of her current position immediately after commencement. President Gee has decided not to conduct an external search for a new provost. During the transition, the Provost's Office will continue to push forward with strategic transformation.
  - The Blue Ribbon Commission will continue, hopefully with a conversation around community colleges.
  - Contrary to rumors, there is not a faculty hiring freeze. Deans have been asked to let the Provost's Office know which positions are vacant and for which positions they will be conducting a search. This request was made in response to a difficult budget situation.
  - The budget process is essentially fluid until about the middle of June. We expect a budget gap of at least \$12 million this year, partly due to the decline in enrollment last year. The budget is also affected by tuition rates and by state allocations.
4. Chair David Hauser reported the following:
  - We held a working group at the most recent Faculty Senate meeting. The second half of the exercise will take place at the April meeting. The results of the exercise, as well as the responses to the survey we sent out to Senators, will be made available at a future meeting.

- He and Emily Murphy plan to meet with Rob Alsop to discuss Government Relations' expectations for next year with respect to campus carry.
  - He needs volunteers for a short-term ad hoc committee to consider proposals for an academic integrity policy and a probation/suspension policy. Anyone who is interested should contact him; he will also be reaching out to faculty who last served on the Student Rights and Responsibilities Committee.
  - We are moving Faculty Senate meetings to the College of Law beginning in the Fall 2019 semester.
  - We have a single nominee, Nathalie Singh-Corcoran, for Faculty Senate Chair-Elect. She will be making her statement at the April Senate meeting, after which we will have a vote. Please start including her on emails and invitations as you see fit.
  - The Senate approved the creation of the Inclusion and Diversity Committee (IDC) at the March meeting. The Committee on Committees will populate the committee but wants some guidance from the Executive Committee about the new committee's composition. His proposal is that the IDC be composed of 5 Senators, 5 faculty, and 1 student, and that Lauri Andress, a Senator from the School of Public Health, be asked to serve as the first chair. There were no objections.
  - Carolyn Atkins, chair of the Committee on Committees, Membership and Constituencies (COC) would like to add an additional faculty member to its membership. As it stands now, there are more committees to populate than there are members of the COC. A motion was made and duly seconded to expand the COC membership to include Nathalie Singh-Corcoran. Motion carried.
5. Ednilson Bernardes, Chair, Senate Curriculum Committee moved for approval of the following reports. Motion carried.
- Annex I, New Courses Report.  
Annex II, Course Changes, Deletions, and Adoptions Report.  
Changes to the Biometric Systems Engineering Major.  
Changes to the Chemical Engineering Major at WVUIT.
6. Robert Brock, Chair, General Education Foundations Committee, moved for approval of the following report:
- Annex III, GEF Actions. Motion carried.
7. Ashley Martucci, Chair, Teaching and Assessment Committee, reported that the committee is still working on reviewing the child development and engineering courses. The two departments will be provided feedback, including recommendations for next steps. Committee representatives have met with Title IX and Student Conduct and will be meeting with Legal to determine what process faculty members can follow when inflammatory comments appear on their SEIs. The committee will also be updating and clarifying SEI language.
8. Roy Nutter, Faculty Representative to State Government, reported that topics of concern include campus carry, the Blue Ribbon Commission, and PEIA. ACF's next meeting will be in April.

9. Emily Murphy, on behalf of Stan Hileman, BOG representative, reported that the June meeting will be held in Beckley. The Travel and Intellectual Property rules should be released for comment following the April 12 meeting. The Board held a special meeting on March 19 concerning the former WVUIT campus.
10. Chair Hauser presented Annex IV, Results of Faculty Senate Election. Report filed.
11. New Business: None.
12. The meeting adjourned at 4:07 p.m. to reconvene on Monday, April 22, 2019.

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