

Faculty Senate Minutes
February 20, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 4:05 p.m. All departments were in attendance except Accounting & Finance, History, Interdisciplinary Studies, and Philosophy.

I. Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the February 6, 2018 meeting of the Faculty Senate were approved as corrected.

II. Proposed Courses and Programs

CHANGES TO UNDERGRADUATE COURSES & PROGRAMS

- (1) CSCI 330: Programming Languages. Proposal to change title, revise learning outcomes, and add pre/co-requisite was approved without dissent.
- (2) ENGL 317: Editing for Publication. Proposal to update course description and add G1 label was approved without dissent.

III. Report of the Faculty Senate Chairperson

Chair Walsh reported on the presidential search, encouraging senators to participate and offer feedback. She also reported that a food donation was made to the Campus Cupboard on behalf of Faculty Senate.

IV. Report of the APSCUF President

President K. Smith noted some issues under review related to undergraduate curriculum review in the CAP system, including evaluations in experimental courses. He also reported on plans to conduct tenure review electronically in fall 2018 and promotion in 2019 and indicated that volunteers are needed to spend some time working with the system to aid evaluation.

V. Report of the Student Senate

Student Senate Chair Lukenbill invited faculty to submit requests for work to be done as part of the Big Event (https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeBK2h7g1UeuJzf70dMi_6-GdojMYVB2hoM4hSWzIhahVzfeg/viewform?usp=sf_link).

VI. Report of the Graduate Student Association

None

VII. Report of the Administrative Officers

President

President Anderson noted work of committees on retention and inclusive practices, including faculty representation, and efforts to use the Climate Survey data to shape plans of presidential commissions and the Strategic Advisory Council. He also pointed out the benefit of PASSHE approval of new programs to end at the Chancellor's Office rather than the Board of Governors. Dr. Anderson noted Advocacy Day will aim to bring PASSHE concerns to Pennsylvania legislators.

Provost

Provost Prabhu highlighted upcoming campus interviews for Dean of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences candidates. He reported that the search for the Associate Provost was extended to expand the pool of candidates and interviews will be scheduled soon. A question was raised about the Educator of the Year Award. Senator Robinson volunteered to follow up on putting out the call for nominations.

Acting Associate Provost

Acting Associate Provost DeSantis reported Made in Millersville has more than 250 submissions. He also reminded faculty of spring convocation on March 8 where discussions will focus on enhancing student success for underrepresented groups.

Dean

Dean Drake encouraged participation in ongoing campus administration searches.

VIII. Curricular Notices

NEW UNDERGRADUATE COURSES & PROGRAMS

- (1) Integrated Studies program. Proposal of post-secondary curriculum for young adults with an intellectual disability to participate in the university experience.

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- (2) BIOL 483: Applied Ethology. Proposal to change course description, learning outcomes, required elements, and pre-requisites, add a field of study restriction, and make the course equivalent to PSYC 483 to serve as a capstone course for the MDST in Applied Animal Behavior.
- (3) ENGL 486: Teaching Reading and Literature with Young Adults. Proposal to add DL option.
- (4) ENGL 430: Studies in Ethnic American Literature Since 1945. Proposal to add DL option.

- (5) Studio Art minor. Proposal to remove language that ART 100 & ART 141 cannot count towards the minor.

IX. Reports of the Faculty Senate Standing Committees

None

X. Reports of the Faculty Senate Special Committees

None

XI. Faculty Emeriti

A Shettel/Dreon motion that Dr. Richard M. Kerper be granted the honorary title of Professor of Early, Middle, and Exceptional Education Emeritus was approved without dissent.

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XII. New Business

Dr. James Pannafino presented some details on using the CAP system for electronic review of undergraduate curriculum. It was noticed that there are support materials available to assist with technical issues and that process problems should be discussed with the Associate Provost. Overall, the process revisions implemented several years ago and the means for handling related documentation online have been working well. Of particular note was the value of transparency, document records, opportunities for early feedback on proposals, consensus building, and hearing of dissent in our current procedure and system.

Senator Sciarretta reported that the Early Warning Initiative is available in MAX. He noted that faculty may want to consider the timing of key assessments in their courses in comparison to the withdrawal date. It was noted that since students with priority feedback status are not necessarily at risk academically, a way for faculty to indicate no concerns would be helpful.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:16 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Faculty Senate Secretary

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