

Millersville University
Faculty Senate - Meeting Minutes
11/16/2021

The meeting was called to order remotely via Zoom at 4:05 p.m. All departments were in attendance except for Interdisciplinary Studies. Dr. Daniel Wubah (President), Dr. Gail Gasparich (Provost), Dr. James Delle (Assoc. Provost), Dr. Tiffany Wright (GCPRC), Allison Hutchinson (Registrar), Dr. Kelly Banna (APSCUF), Ms. Kim Auger (LIBR), Mr. Stephen diFilipo (CTO/CIO), Dr. Jeff Wimer (WSSD) and Dr. David Henriques (AASD) we also in attendance.

I. Welcome and Introductions

- a. Dr. Wubah (President)
 - i. President Wubah conveyed holiday wishes and expressed appreciation for the progress that we had made this semester in the face of uncertainty.
 - ii. COVID Task Force will continue to make recommendations as we move forward to the spring semester.
 - iii. Dr. Wubah provided information on enrollments noting that winter was down slightly, but applications appear up for Fall 2022. He also noted we are currently at 91% of our fundraising goal with 2 more years remaining.

II. Minutes of the Faculty Senate

- a. Minutes from the 11/02/2021 were approved via Granuth/Witmer motion without dissent.

III. Proposed Curricular Frameworks for endorsement

- a. None

IV. Proposed Courses and Programs for approval

- a. Consent Agenda
 - i. Undergraduate New Courses
 - 1. AEST056 - Fundamentals of Package Engineering
 - 2. ART/DESN018 - Interactive Design History
 - 3. ACCT/FIN036 - Behavioral Finance
 - 4. CHEM009 - Culinary Chemistry
 - ii. Undergraduate Course Changes
 - 1. WSSD062 – Exercise Physiology
 - 2. NURS081 - Conceptual Basis of Professional Nursing Practice
 - 3. EMEE110 - Reflective Practices
 - 4. HIST043 – Modern U.S. History
 - iii. Undergraduate New Programs
 - 1. None
 - iv. Undergraduate Program Changes
 - 1. WSSD063 - Athletic Coaching minor
 - 2. ART/DESN091 - BDES - Bachelor of Design in Interactive & Graphic Design
 - v. Graduate New Courses
 - 1. None
 - vi. Graduate Course Changes
 - 1. None
 - vii. Graduate New Programs

1. None
- viii. Graduate Program Changes
 1. None

V. Report of the Faculty Senate Chairperson – Jeri Robinson

- a. Announcements
 - i. Faculty Senate Meeting Dates Spring 2022 (1st and 3rd Tuesday)
 1. February 1st and 15th
 2. March 1st and 15th
 3. April 5th and 19th
 - ii. Discussion of preferences for spring meetings
 1. We will continue Zoom to the start spring.
 - iii. Discussion of potential name change including necessary steps and considerations for Faculty Senate
 1. UWCC – University Wide Curriculum Committee potential more accurately reflex role of senate.
 2. There will be a clarification of responsibilities between APSCUF and senate to better match their respective roles.
 - iv. Elections of Faculty Senate Chairperson, Chairperson Pro Tempore, and Secretary are in January.
 1. Send nominations to senate secretary.
 - v. Senate Standing Committees
 1. Please take minutes at meetings and forward to Senate Chairperson

VI. APSCUF Updates

- a. Dr. Kelly Banna, APSCUF President
 - i. VASCM - Volunteer Summer Compensation Model
 1. Vote to move forward with negotiating a new agreement. Please send info or comments to your APSCUF rep.
 2. Dr. Delle comments on VASCM
 - a. When it ran in Summer 2020 enrollments increased after the end of the spring semester and more courses filled to minimum.
 - b. When it did not run in 2021 Summer, there were a potential 50 additional sections could have run.
 - c. Administration is for it. Goal is to lead to a more robust and reliable summer program for students.
 - ii. Online office hours policy continues through the spring.
 1. Local agreement will revisit more permanent policies.
 - iii. Communication and discussion about the promotion process.
 1. This is lots of anxiety about promotion process.
 2. Potential for new professional development committee?
 3. Review and potential revision of promotion policies
 4. Faculty expressed desire for the process to provide more constructive feedback.
 - iv. Dr. Banna is planning to visit departments in the spring
 - v. Student evaluations problems are occurring. APSCUF/Provost - are aware and working on them.
 1. Non MU email causing issues.
 2. Some course not getting evals, some students getting wrong class links.

3. Provost: Willing to hold faculty harmless if problems are unable to be resolved.

VII. Report of the Student Government Association

- a. None

VIII. Report of the Graduate Student Association

- a. None

IX. Report of the Administrative Officers

- a. Ms. Kim Auger, LIBR and Mr. Stephen diFilipo, CTO/CIO
 - i. Presentation and discussion of a potential Digital Credentialing/Badging/Stackable Credentials program.
 1. Auger – Provided a conceptual overview of the process and its opportunities.
 2. diFilipo – Explained the portfolium Platform – an eportfolio software tool.
 - ii. Presentation will be shared.
- b. Dr. James Delle, Associate Provost
 - i. PASSHE Transfer Policy
 1. Accredited AA, AS equals waiver of general education for parallel programs.
 2. Each university has the right to determine one single gen ed course that is unique and can be required.
 - a. Excludes overlays on upper division courses
 - b. Need to make this decision in a couple of weeks.
 - c. GERC is discussing this, advanced writing is being considered. GERC will have a recommendation.
 - d. We do not have to have this signature requirement.
 - e. Small # of a students that impacted by this.
 - f. This policy came from community colleges lobbying legislatures and PASSHE.
 - ii. Alison Hutchinson, Register
 - i. Registration is open.
 - ii. Higher credits in spring, but slightly fewer students.
 - iii. Lots of missed registrations, please nudge your advisees.
 - iv. PASSHE Transfer Policy
 1. Might be difficulty for registrar and advising as it is not possible to a course-to-course equivalence with waiver of gen ed, since it is supposed be a block of credits.
 2. May be difficult for advising since you do not know what they have take you just see credits.

X. Announcement of new courses, programs or changes to existing courses/program

- a. See weekly CAP announcements.

XI. Reports of the Faculty Senate Standing Committee

- a. APC, Chair - Dr. Ankur Nandedkar
 - i. Academic Minor Policy
 1. No update.
 - ii. Transfer Credit Policy
 1. No update.
 - iii. Course Repeats Policy

1. Will be revisited in January based on suggestions from Rachel Finley-Bowman
 - b. EDOY, Chair – Dr. Shaun Cook
 - i. New application form
 1. Form approved without dissent.
 - c. GERC, Chair – Dr. Jeffery Wimer
 - i. Self-Study
 1. No questions, it will move forward with external review.
 - d. GCPRC, Chair – Dr. Tiffany Wright
 - i. Thesis and Dissertation Policy change
 1. Approved without dissent.
- XII. Reports of the Faculty Senate, Convened Committees, Area or Special Committees**
- a. None
- XIII. Faculty Emeriti Resolutions**
- a. Dr. Tom Bell, Applied Engineering, Safety and Technology, Bowers/Hartman motion approved without dissent.
 - b. Dr. Michael Nolan, Physics Albert/Hower motion approved without dissent.
 - c. Dr. Behnam Nakhai, Management & Marketing, Nandedkar/Cook motion approved without dissent.
- XIV. Faculty Senate Elections**
- a. Announcement of upcoming senate leadership elections. Please send nominations to senate secretary.
- XV. New Business**
- a. None

Meeting adjourned at 6:18pm via a Hower/Albert motion approved without dissent.

Respectfully Submitted,
 Ethan E. Frost
 Faculty Senate Secretary

ACTION SUMMARY – 11/16/2021

Minutes Approved

- 11/02/2021

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Policy Changes Approved

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2. GCPRC – Thesis and Dissertation Policy

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