Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes
Monday April 8, 2019

3:30 – 5:00 pm – Clinton Hall, Room 126

Senators Present: Ahmed, Bowen, Bray, Brown, Bryant, Buerge, Bukonda, Carlson, Castro, Celestin, Decker, Dowling, English, Granada, Hammond, Hull, Jameson, Jarman, Lockard, Moody, Nicks, Popejoy, Price, Schwartz, Small, Smith, Smith-Campbell, Solomey, Sternfeld, Dunn, Tamtam, Yao, Yildirim, Zewde.

Excused: Hakansson, Hill, Markova, Moore, Jansen, Muthitacharoen, Nobel, Pulaski

Absent: Babnich, Bailey, Bannister, Barut, Birzer, Clawson, Showstack, Suzuki, Weheba.

Attendance 2018-2019

Agenda Item	Notes/Discussion/Process	Outcome/Action/Completed
Call to Order		
Informal Statements and Proposals	Interim University President Andy Tompkins – introduced himself to the senate and reviewed his career and qualifications. Currently assembling a search committee. Probably looking at a six month process with interviews in September or October. If an external candidate is hired it may take up to a or longer for the new president to start.	
Approval of Minutes	March 25, 2019	MSC
President's Report	KBOR update - Discussing open educational resources. - Board of trustees Muma and Tomlin gave updates on SEM and innovation campus. - Executive committee met at Wonder School and had a tour. Will ask Wonder School to give an update to senate at later meeting. - SGA made recommendations to Gen. Ed. recommendations committee. Recommend that the committee get rid of tier 3 requirements and bring gen ed to 33 credit hours. **End of year timeline (see below) -** 4 pm, RS 266 Pike Room Friday, April 19, 11 noon, RS 257 Ashton/Bridges Room	
Committee Reports		

Rules: Jeff Jarman, Chair	1st Reading: Policy recommendation to change Senate Constitution, Bylaws. • To establish a quorum of 50 present at general faculty meetings. • Faculty affairs – add a new ex-officio member from the provost office • Library committee proposed change of composition from 16 to 14. • Scholarship and student aid – eliminate first four of their charges but keep 5 and 6. It was pointed out that items 4 are written from federal guidelines and dropping these could be out of compliance. • Announced proposed composition of newly created accessibility c	
Gery Markova, Vice President	Election update	
Old Business		
Gen ED: Shirlene Small, Chair	Updated: 2d Reading: From Gen ED committee (Proposal and Appendix). Modify First-Year Seminar from a pilot program to a Gen ED requirement. Concerns were raised about LAS losing credit hours since other colleges can now offer FYS under LAS. A: Credit hours will go to the department that teaches the course. Q: How will these courses be vetted to check to see if they really fit in the assigned/requested discipline? A: Process is still the same and we don't expect a large imbalance in where the courses come from. Q: What if we don't have enough proposed FYS courses to fill the 64 section quota? A: We'll hope that we do. Some senators expressed strong support for the proposal. Concerns were raised about academic freedom and rigidity of the proposal. Q: Is there a plan to make this a overload course offering. Comment, this proposal lacks real incentive to attract offerings from senior faculty and also doesn't appear sustainable. It was suggested to make a campus wide stipend greater than $2500. Will it be feasible to change the proposal after we vote today? At Any time you can make recommendations to the gen. ed. committee.	FYS vote passed 19 in favor opposed.
New Business		

	range. - Whistleblowers – needs to address indirect retaliations, not just direct examples.	
As May Arise	None	
Adjourn		

Next Senate Meeting: April 22, 3:30-5:00 pm; Clinton Hall Room 126

SAVE THE DATE:
- April 29, 3:30 pm – GENERAL FACULTY MEETING, Hubbard Hall 208
- May 9, <mark>9 am</mark> – TIME CHANGE TO MORNING – Shocker Pride Celebration Faculty/Staff Awards, RSC Beggs Ballroom
- May 9, 3 pm – Bardo Celebration of Life – more info to come.
- May 10, 2 pm – Faculty Awards Ceremony, RSC 233, Santa Fe Room
- May 13, 3:30 pm – Final Senate Meeting and End of Year Celebration joint meeting with incoming Senators, RSC Beggs Ballroom