



Faculty Senate

November 6, 2019

Meeting Minutes

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Note: The remarks of the senators and others are summarized and not verbatim. The recording of this meeting is available in the Faculty Senate Recorder's office.

PRESENT: Subhajit Chakraborty, Mitchell Church, Jessica Doll, Michael Latta, Nicolas Rhew, Samuel Wathen, Jake Voegel, Andy Weinbach, James Davis, Suzanne Horn, Susan Foley, Nilo Ramos, Elizabeth Baltés, Ellen Arnold, Aneilya Barnes, Elizabeth Baltés, Susan Bergeron, Steven Bleicher, Jeffrey Halverson, Drew Kurlowski, Ray Moye, Alejandro Muñoz-Garces, Kate Oestreich, Shari Orisch, Gillian Richards-Greaves, Kimberly Schumacher, Don Sloan, Christian Smith, Renee Smith, Min Ye, Miranda Brenneman, Brian Bunton, Wanda Dooley, David Duncan, Menassie Ephrem, Diane Fribance, Clint Fuchs, Roi Gurka, Erin Hackett, Kelly Johnson, Jakob Lauver, Michael Murphy, Brian Lee, Susan Montenery, Kerry Schwanz, Kerry Schwanz, Doug Van Hoewyk, Daniel Williams, Andrew Busch, Ina Seethaler, Allison Faix, Holley Tankersley, Lauren Stefaniak

SUBSTITUTIONS: Lee Shinaberger for Lorraine Runinon, John Navin for Frederick Wood, Jeffrey Jones for Don Sloan, Anna Oldfield for Benjamin Sota, Nicholas Schlereth for Chelsea Kaunert, Vladislav Gulis for Doug Van Hoewyk, Amy Fyn for Scott Bacon, Sara Brallier for Matt Wilkinson

ABSENT: Barbara Mallory, Adam Chamberlain, Todd Wren

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The October 2, 2019 minutes were approved by unanimous consent.

CONSENT AGENDA: All items on the November 8, 2019 Consent Agenda passed.

PRESIDENT, PROVOST AND OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

President DeCenzo:

- The President appreciates the sensitivities to the recently announced redirection of classes for Thursday, November 7. It is acknowledged that more notice should have been given.
- The university has to respect the dramatic nationwide changes that higher education is facing. There is a lower high school graduation rate in locations that Coastal normally

recruits in. There have also been changes in some state policies where they are discontinuing their Academic Common Market relationship with the majority of South Carolina. These will be challenges that Coastal will face in terms of enrollment.

- A crucial component in senior administration is stability. By removing “Interim” from the Interim Provost title, the university is ensuring that a strong team is in place for the incoming President. Provost Dan Ennis could not be in attendance, but the President requests that everyone join him in congratulating Dr. Ennis when they can.

Travis Overton, Vice President for Executive Initiatives/Chief of Staff

- The Presidential Search is underway. It will be a closed, confidential search throughout the process. Once the Presidential Search Advisory Committee chooses the finalists, the candidates’ names should be released.

Associate Provost Holley Tankersley:

- Dr. Tankersley reported that Provost Dan Ennis is currently in China with Dr. Darla Domke-Damonte, Associate Provost for Global Initiatives, meeting with university partners.
- Ruth Kearns and the Horry County Higher Education Commission have graciously given \$100,000 to fund Professional Enhancement Grants.
- The Provost’s office, along with Chant411 and Financial Aid, spent two nights in the dorms sharing ScholarTips with Hope and Life Scholarship students. Over 200 students attended and information was shared on how to calculate their GPA and how to make sure they meet their scholarships.
- This spring there will be a new Faculty Development Series regarding university finances and budgeting.
- In regards to the class redirection, 51 classes and labs were able to stay intact for in-person meetings. Shuttles will run between the Coastal Science Center and Lib Jackson Student Union for students who may be impacted by parking issues.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT:

Brian Bunton, Chair, reported the following:

- Approval of undergraduate administrative actions 2-4 and graduate administrative actions 1-2 from the October 2, 2019 meeting.
- Two additional faculty members have been added to the Presidential Search Advisory Committee: Dr. Jennifer Boyle from the Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts and Dr. Jamia Richmond from the Spadoni College of Education.
- Motions are encouraged for developing a Budget and Finance Standing Committee.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: None.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Academic Affairs Committee

1. Motion to approve a new undergraduate major: Visual Art, B.F.A. (Form D – ID# 2177). Required course ARTH 106 – History of Western Art II (3 credits) was omitted from the program in the order of business, yet added back in during this Faculty Senate meeting. **The motion passed (51 in favor, 0 not in favor).**

QUASI COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE: None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- First-Generation College Celebration Day is Friday, November 8.
- Empty Bowls Make-a-Bowl Day is Friday, November 15.
- The Campus and Community Research Collaborative is Thursday, November 14.
- C.A.A.L. approved the new Religious Studies, B.A.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lydia Deek, Faculty Senate Recorder

Approved by Brian Bunton, Faculty Senate Chair