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.


APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Approval of the Sept. 6, 2017 minutes were moved by Wanda Dooley and seconded by Brian Bunton. The minutes passed (52 in favor, 0 not in favor, 0 abstain).

CONSENT AGENDA: None.

PRESIDENT, PROVOST AND OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

President DeCenzo:

- The President reminded everyone that Family Weekend would begin Friday afternoon and we are expecting a large turnout. Approximately 1,500 parents have pre-registered for events this weekend.
Provost Byington:

- The Provost was pleased to introduce our new University Librarian, Melvin Davis.

The Provost made the following general announcements:

- Mandatory Trainings:
  - In the future, we will set a goal of having no more than two-to-three hours per month when trainings will be rolled out.
  - Resources will be dedicated to record timed-out information during trainings.
  - The Provost asked everyone to please pay attention to all of the trainings, but especially the FERPA, Title IX, and Active Shooter trainings.
  - There is a lot of repetition in the ITS trainings; it was more economical to purchase the trainings in a package than to develop them individually. The trainings are important reminders because we continue to be bombarded with phishing attempts and hackers, and individuals are continuously clicking on suspicious content on a daily basis. The trainings will be more succinct in the future.

- Active Shooter Trainings:
  During these trainings, the following concerns were raised about the new academic buildings:
  - The first concern is not being able to receive CCU Alerts on cell phones in these buildings. The Provost spoke with ITS to confirm there are ways cell phones are able to receive CCU Alerts in all of our buildings. Wi-Fi Calling may be set up on cell phones which will enable communication when traditional cellular coverage is inadequate or unavailable. For instructions or assistance with setting up this feature, please contact the ITS Help Desk at campus extension 5000.
  - The second concern is due to safety and distractions because the classrooms are glass-walled. We are applying for grants to put blinds or drop-down blinds in these classrooms. If there are classroom locations in critical need, please contact the Provost’s office.

- Two Initiatives presented in Provost Council:
  - Academic Program Review; the idea is to take a comprehensive look at our academic programs to see what improvements can be made. In the first year, we will be looking for departments to volunteer.
  - Student Achievement Funding; the strategic plan is directly tied to the budgeting process. Budgets will be developed where the funding is directly related to student achievement and engagement.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT:

Renee Smith, Chair, reported the following:

- Approval of administrative actions 01 and 02 from the Sept. 6, 2017 meeting.
- Notification of a policy correction for ACAD-SENA 116: Associate/Assistant Deans.
COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. Jen Boyle from the Distance Learning Committee provided a definition, as well as the history and purpose of, a hybrid course.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Academic Affairs Committee

1. Motion to approve a new undergraduate course: PUBH 484 – Pre-internship Seminar. The motion passed (51 in favor, 0 not in favor, 1 abstain).

B. Faculty Senate Executive Committee

1. Motion to approve changing each occurrence of “adjunct” to “associated” in policy ACAD-SENA 118: Faculty Qualifications. The motion passed (42 in favor, 1 not in favor, 5 abstain).

C. Core Curriculum Committee

1. Motion to approve edits to policy ACAD-SENA 122: Core Curriculum Modification. The motion passed (51 in favor, 0 not in favor, 3 abstain).

D. Distance Learning Committee

1. Motion to update ACAD-SENA 128: Distance Learning Policy. The proposal was removed by the Chair at the request of the Distance Learning Committee.

• A suggestion was made for the voting results of each motion to remain concealed until after the voting period closed. The Chair invited anyone with feedback to call or email her and she would take the matter into consideration.

QUASI COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE: None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Monica Streicher, Faculty Senate Recorder

Approved by Kyle Holody, Faculty Senate Secretary