Faculty Senate

July 8, 2020 (held virtually in Microsoft Teams)
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.


SUBSTITUTIONS: Paul Gayes for Roi Gurka, Crystal Cox for Michael Murphy, Frederick Wood for Min Ye

ABSENT: Daniel Williams, Benjamin Sota, Todd Wren

PRESIDENT, PROVOST AND OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

President DeCenzo:

- CCU continues to watch the COVID-19 virus climb in our area, and unless we see a decline in positive cases and the number of people in hospitals, there is a good chance that we may have to open the university online. There is continued uncertainty in the face of this virus, but we will see later on in the month how we proceed with fall.

Provost Ennis:

- We are preparing for opening online, yet also need to be prepared for different contingencies. Faculty, and everyone else listening, will have to use technology in different ways this fall. We are taking an enhanced approach to distance learning and
training is available, and will continue to be available, in terms of streaming and using iPads.

- Regarding ADA requests, deans and chairs are getting significant communication about faculty who are not getting ADA accommodations, but still are requesting one through their college. We are working with Human Resources and whatever we come up will be approved by legal counsel. Everyone should plan for an online semester, and accommodations do not have to be decided on in order to prepare for online experience.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Academic Affairs Committee

1. Proposal for change(s) to an undergraduate program – Health Administration, B.S. (Form B – ID# 2679). The motion passed (51 in favor, 0 not in favor).

2. Proposal for change(s) to an undergraduate program – Psychology, B.S (Form B – ID# 2666). The motion passed (52 in favor, 0 not in favor).

B. Calendar Committee

1. Proposal to remove Fall Break (October 2-3) from the Fall 2020 Academic Calendar. The motion passed (49 in favor, 3 not in favor).

2. Proposal to allow ex officio committee members the opportunity to send a designee to committee members. The motion passed (52 in favor, 0 not in favor).

C. Faculty Reduction-in-Force Committee

The committee presented their recommendations for academic savings totaling $3.471 million.

1. Senator Aneilya Barnes moved to amend the Faculty Reduction-in-Force Committee’s plan by removing section 5b.) Loss of current new hires for AY 2021-2022. Shari Orsich seconded. The motion was denied (22 in favor, 28 not in favor).
Senator Drew Kurlowski moved to extend the meeting with unanimous consent until the conclusion of the order of business. As there was no opposition, the motion passed.

2. Proposal to endorse the Faculty Reduction-in-Force Committee’s full plan and send forward for a full faculty vote. **The motion passed (51 in favor, 2 not in favor).**

D. Faculty Senate Executive Committee

1. Proposal for a temporary addendum to the current Faculty Manual to include an extension for Post-Tenure Review. **The motion passed (48 in favor, 4 not in favor).**

E. Faculty Welfare Committee

1. Proposal to add §5.2.10 – University Financial Crisis and Exigent Circumstances to the Faculty Manual. **The motion passed (47 in favor, 3 not in favor).**

2. Proposal regarding financial sustainability guideline recommendations for university athletics. **The motion passed (48 in favor, 2 not in favor).**

F. Faculty Senator Nicholas Rhew

1. Proposal to create a new standing committee: Budget and Finance Committee. **The motion passed (52 in favor, 2 not in favor).**

The meeting adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

**Respectfully submitted,**
Lydia Deeck, Faculty Senate Recorder

Approved by Brian Bunton, Faculty Senate Chair