
SUBSTITUTIONS: Anna Oldfield for Kate Oestreich

ABSENT: Leann Mischel, Lorraine Runion, David Duncan, Kelly Elliot, Clint Fuchs, Justin Lovich, Alejandro Munoz-Garces, Benjamin Sota

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The March 3, 2021 minutes were approved by unanimous consent.

CONSENT AGENDA: The April 14, 2021 consent agenda was approved by unanimous consent.

PRESIDENT, PROVOST AND OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:
President Benson:

- The University’s students voted to support a new telehealth service. TimelyMD will be coming to Health Services this upcoming fall to assist with medical advice and mental wellness.
- The President looks forward to having a town hall with faculty in the fall.
- Senate Chair Brian Bunton was presented with a national championship ring from Coastal Carolina University’s 2016 baseball team.
Provost Ennis:
- Freshmen applications are up 9.9%. Overall acceptances and deposits are up as well.
- Provost Ennis requested that faculty reach out to students if they need help registering for fall.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT:
Brian Bunton, Chair, reported the following:
- Approval of undergraduate administrative actions 18-25 and graduate administrative actions 6-8 from the April 14, 2021 meeting.
- A statement of correction was generated on courses from the 2017-2018 academic year.
- Textbook adoptions for the fall are due at the end of spring semester.
- Congratulations to the new SGA President, Brianna Martin.
- The Faculty Ombuds survey is due April 23.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:
Wanda Dooley, Calendar Committee, presented a spring report.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:
A. Faculty Senator Allison Faix
   1. Faculty Senator Faix requested unanimous consent to endorse a recent statement from the South Carolina Conference of the American Association of University Professors.

   Faculty Senator Ariana Baker raised an objection, Faculty Senator James Everett seconded, and the motion moved into debate.

   **The resolution passed (34 in favor, 8 not in favor).**

B. Academic Affairs Committee
   1. Motion for adjustments to International Admissions in the 2021-2022 Undergraduate Catalog. **The motion passed (48 in favor, 1 not in favor).**

   2. Faculty Senator Drew Kurlowski requested unanimous consent to combine a motion to delete policy ACAD-119 and a motion to modify policy ACAD-117. There was no objection.
Motion to delete policy ACAD-119: Evaluation of Transcripts and/or Documents from Foreign Universities and modify policy ACAD-117: Faculty Transcripts. **The motion passed (45 in favor, 1 not in favor).**

C. Core Curriculum Committee

1. Motion to modify policy ACAD-122: Core Curriculum Modification. **The motion passed (47 in favor, 0 not in favor).**

D. Faculty Senate Executive Committee

1. Motion to modify policy ACAD-108: Evaluation of Deans. Faculty Senator Kurlowski requested this motion be passed with unanimous consent due to a very minor editorial change to the policy. There was no objection. **The motion passed.**

2. Motion to modify policy ACAD-112: Academic Deans. Faculty Senator Holley Tankersley requested that this policy be postponed until the May Faculty Senate meeting. Faculty Senator Kurlowski seconded. **The motion to postpone this policy passed (48 in favor, 0 not in favor).**

3. Motion to modify policy ACAD-113: University Librarian. Faculty Senator Tankersley requested that this policy be postponed until the May Faculty Senate meeting. Faculty Senator Everett seconded. **The motion to postpone this policy passed (47 in favor, 0 not in favor).**

4. Motion to modify policy ACAD-127: Student Evaluation of Courses. **The motion passed (48 in favor, 0 not in favor).**

E. Graduate Council

1. Motion to modify policy ACAD-111: Graduate Curricula. **The motion passed (47 in favor, 1 not in favor).**

2. Motion to modify policy ACAD-125: Course Development and Modification (Undergraduate and Graduate). **The motion passed (46 in favor, 0 not in favor).**

3. Motion to delete policy ACAD-126: Graduate Program and Curriculum Routing. **The motion passed (44 in favor, 1 not in favor).**

F. Non-Tenure Track Committee
1. Motion to modify § 6.6 – Promotion and Tenure Procedures in the Faculty Manual. **The motion passed (45 in favor, 3 not in favor).** This motion requires approval by the full faculty and the Board of Trustees.

2. Motion to modify § 6.7 – Promotion to Senior Instructor and Senior Lecturer in the Faculty Manual. **The motion passed (45 in favor, 3 not in favor).** This motion requires approval by the full faculty and the Board of Trustees.

3. Motion to modify the Faculty Compensation Plan. **The motion passed (46 in favor, 2 not in favor).**

4. Motion to modify the membership of the Non-Tenure Track Committee. **The motion passed (42 in favor, 5 not in favor).**

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Lydia Deeck, Faculty Senate Recorder

Approved by Brian Bunton, Faculty Senate Chair