

## Faculty Senate Minutes #7

May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022

Via WebEx

**Members and Senators Present:** S. Anderson, C. Badurek, G. Birren, E. Bitterbaum, A. Blavos, R. Borden, S. Clark, S. Comins, C. Costell Corbin, K. Dames, S. Daman, A. Dearie, A. DeChellis, E. Edlund, A. Fitz-Gibbon, R. Grantham, , J. Hall, T. Hunter, L. Jin, K. Johnson, L. Lopez-Janove, A. Myles, C. Pass, V. Placide, P. Perkins, R. Powell, M. Prus, P. Schroeder K. Silvestri, G. Sharer, T. Suzuki, D. West, B. Williams, S. Yoo, J. Zhe-Heimerman

**Members and Senators Absent:** M. Alvisi, A. Myers, K. Nuhu, J. Radloff, M. Stone, G. Vogt, C. Widdall,

**Guests:** B. Adams, P. Arras, L. Davies, N. Diller, E. Jung, M. Lessig, W. Miller, K. Sheets, C. Van Der Karr, M. Wetter, M. Yacovone

**I. Approval of Minutes:** The Minutes from April 19<sup>th</sup> were approved by the Senate.

**II. Chair's Report:** G. Birren – Reminded everyone about upcoming graduation ceremonies and urged participation and/or attendance.

**III. Vice Chair/Secretary's Report:** B. Williams – No report.

**IV. Treasurer's Report:** C. Widdall – No report. G. Birren thanked C. Widdall for her service as the Senate treasurer as well as serving on the Steering Committee.

**V. President's Report:** E. Bitterbaum:

- Reported Middle States review went extremely well and thanked all for making it the success that it was
- Admissions are doing well; we had over 11,000 applicants, and have accepted 1,200 new students for the Fall 2022 semester
- SUNY Cortland has a 98% employment rate after graduation
- There are 70 portfolios to review for continuing appointment and promotion
- Open meetings will be held on 5/9/22 and 5/11/22 for Chief of Staff candidates
- Reiterated that we still help for graduation ceremonies that are approaching

## **VII. Policy Committee Reports**

**Joint Committee on Student Interests:** K. Silvestri – No report

**Academic Faculty Affairs Committee:** A. Fitz-Gibbon, Chair – No report. G. Birren thanked A. Fitz-Gibbon for his years of service as the chair of AFAC as well as his service on the Steering Committee.

**Educational Policy Committee:** E. Edlund, Chair – Gave an update on the EPC's Incomplete Grades resolution; in the interest of time, that resolution will be introduced to the Senate in the Fall 2022 semester

**Professional Affairs Committee:** S. Daman, Chair – No report

**Area Senators** – No report

**SUNY Senator/ Alternate Senator:** C. Badurek/A. Blavos – C. Badurek:

- Reported that the resolutions from the Spring 2022 Plenary will be introduced to the Senate at the beginning of the Fall 2022 semester
- J. Trybula was recently elected Vice President of UFS
- D. Wheeler was elected President of SUNY New Paltz

**Student Senator:** T. Hunter:

- Reported that the Student Assembly Conference was held over this past weekend
- SGA will introduce new resolution regarding the mandating of mental health days in the beginning of the Fall 2022 semester
- G. Birren thanked T. Hunter for her service as the president of SGA and a representative on the Faculty Senate.

**VIII. Other Standing Committee Reports:**

**Committee on Teaching Effectiveness:** M. Moyer, Chair – No report.

**College Curriculum Review Committee:** Chair – No report.

**College Research Committee:** Chair – No report.

**General Education Committee:** L. Delaubell, Chair – No report

**Graduate Faculty Executive Committee:** Chair – No report.

**IX. Unfinished Business:**

- **Call for Nominations, Spring 2022** – Additional nominations were accepted from the floor in an effort to fill any remaining vacancies from the Spring 2022 call for nominations (*Please find document attached*).
- **Joint Committee on Student Interests Resolution – Endorsement of a Syllabus Request System** (*Please find document attached*)
  - Motion: R. Borden: To amend the JCSI resolution as follows:
    - Be it further resolved, that requests for syllabi be submitted to the instructors for approval and that no syllabus be provided without the instructor’s express permission.
    - 2<sup>nd</sup>: R. Vooris
    - Opposition to the amendment: if the instructor is no longer at SUNY Cortland, having to obtain the instructor’s permission would cause further delays for the student
    - Motion to vote on the amendment: S. Daman
    - 2<sup>nd</sup>: C. Badurek; no opposition
      - Vote on the amendment close to unanimous; amendment fails
  - Motion call the vote on resolution: C. Badurek
    - 2<sup>nd</sup>: S. Daman; no opposition
      - Yay: 21
      - Nay: 4
      - Resolution endorsed by the Senate
- **Joint Committee on Student Interests Resolution – Endorsement of Policy for Department Retention of Syllabi** (*Please find document attached*)
  - No further debate
  - No opposition; resolution endorsed by the Senate
- **GE Revisions to GE Framework** (*Please find document attached*)
  - Discussion ensued regarding which proposal(s) to send out to referendum
    - Opposition to send all 3 proposals to referendum; yes

- Vote to send all 3 proposals to referendum:
  - Yay: 4
  - Nay: 14
    - All 3 proposals **will not** go to referendum
- Opposition to sending proposals A and C to referendum; yes
- Vote to send proposals A and C to referendum:
  - Yay: 13
  - Nay: 5
    - Proposals A and C **will** go to referendum

**X. New Business:** N/A

**XI. Announcements:** N/A

**Meeting was adjourned at 2:36PM on 5/3/22**

Minutes submitted by: Amy M. DeChellis