Faculty Senate Minutes #4

March 20th, 2018

SPECIAL OPEN MEETING

Members and Senators Present: J. Ouellette, K. Lawrence, D. VanLangen, R. Grantham, C. Widdall, I. Jordak, G. Birren, A. Fitz-Gibbon, W. Miller, J. McNamara, M. Song, D. West, H. Haines, A. Curtis, M. Sutherlin, A. Blavos, R. Fiddler, T. Suzuki, R. Borden, J. Zhe-Heimerman, S. Comins, G. Rinefierd, C. Manaseri, R. Powell, C. Kuretich, E. Owens, A. Arkayasa, C. Bennett, S. Umansky, M. Prus, G. Sharer, A. DeChellis..

Members and Senators Absent: L. MacDonald, C. Schubert, S. Strause, C. Manaseri, M. Fox, P. Perkins, S. Anderson.

Guests: A. Berg, C. Hickey, P. Buckenmeyer, L. Schlicht, C. Badurek, J. Peluso

<u>I. Approval of Minutes:</u> The Minutes from February 27th, 2018 were approved by the Senate.

II. President's Report: E. Bitterbaum – introduced Guest –A. Berg

Student Senator: A. Arkayasa:

• Reported that SGA will have campaigning from 4/3/18-4/10/18 for their upcoming elections, and that voting for the elections will take place on 4/11/18 and 4/12/18 at their SGA Student Senate meeting (which is held in the Corey Union Function Room).

REGULAR BUSINESS SUSPENDED FOR OPEN MEETING**

- > All guests were recognized so that they could speak.
- **Everyone was reminded about limits to speaking.**

Open Meeting Business:

- Senator M. Sutherlin introced a letter from the KIN department with regards to questions about technology accessibility pertaining to a memo from President Bitterbaum to the campus on 1/29/18 (Please see 2 attachments on Technology Accessibility).
- Guest A.Berg from Information Resources, spoke on the topic of Technology Accessibility on campus.
 - o It was explained that many College's across the country are in non-compliance with federal technology accessibility requirements, including SUNY Cortland; it was then explained that Information Resources has a committee to assist faculty and/or staff across campus in making online material complaint with these accessibility standards (TAC).
 - o A. Berg has agreed to send more information to the campus explaining how faculty and staff can receive help on making all public materials compliant.
- No persons presented any other business for the open meeting.

III. Announcements:

- C. Widdall announced that EPC sent out a reminder to campus this morning about their meeting, which will be held on Friday 3/23/18 in Jacobus Lounge from 11:45am-12:45pm, in regards to defining a major GPA.
- C. Widdall also announced that EPC has another document that will be sent out for vetting on 3/21/18, regarding an academic forgiveness policy.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:13PM on 3/20/18

Minutes submitted by: Amy M. DeChellis