

Faculty Senate Minutes #6

November 23rd, 2021

Via WebEx

Members and Senators Present: M. Alvisi, 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, K. Johnson, L. Jin, A. Myles, P. Perkins, V. Placide, R. Powell, M. Prus, J. Radloff, K. Silvestri, P. Schroeder, G. Sharer, T. Suzuki, D. West, C. Widdall, B. Williams, J. Zhe-Heimerman

Members and Senators Absent: S. Anderson, L. Lopez-Janove, A. Myers, K. Nuhu, C. Pass, M. Stone, G. Vogt, S. Yoo

Guests: C. Kaltefleiter, D. Harms

I. Approval of Minutes: The Minutes from November 9th were approved by the Senate.

II. Chair's Report: G. Birren – Reported an update from the Common Hour Proposal Committee: the committee met with President Bitterbaum on Wednesday, 11/10/21 where the committee decided to include additional members from Science, Education, Advisement/Transition, as well as including a student representative.

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

IV. Treasurer's Report: C. Widdall – No report.

V. President's Report: E. Bitterbaum:

- The virtual pre-visit with Middle States on 11/18/21 was a success; there will be a full meeting with Middle States in the spring semester, which will also be held virtually.
- There is additional funding available in capital dollars, more than anticipated.
- Encouraged attendance at the football game that will be taking place this weekend on campus against RPI.
- While boosters are not mandated for current/incoming students, the campus will continue to encourage students to receive the boosters.
- Wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving!

VII. Policy Committee Reports

Joint Committee on Student Interests: K. Silvestri – Reported that the resolution that the SGA brought to Faculty Senate two weeks ago has been revised into two separate resolutions; SGA will be pushing back these resolutions to the spring semester, as they will not have a chance to approve them through student senate before the end of this semester.

Academic Faculty Affairs Committee: A. Fitz-Gibbon, Chair – Reported the committee is continuing to meet regularly on a weekly basis, and that they have almost finished reviewing sections 220.06/220.07 of the College Handbook; committee plans to meet with Provost M. Prus sometime after Thanksgiving.

Educational Policy Committee: E. Edlund, Chair – Reported that the committee is planning on moving forward with their proposal regarding chapters 340/350 of the College Handbook, since vetting has closed.

Professional Affairs Committee: S. Daman, Chair – Reported that the committee will begin work on various HR documents, including extra work services.

Area Senators: No report

SUNY Senator/ Alternate Senator: C. Badurek/A. Blavos – Reported that the Spring Plenary will take place at Cornell on 1/20/22-1/22/22.

Student Senator: T. Hunter:

- Reported that the SGA's hat giveaway over Cortaca weekend was a success; all hats were gone within 30 minutes; were unable to host their parade due to inclement weather, but, had a carnival instead.
- SGA has a new secretary and Chief Executive Officer
- Last Faculty Senate meeting (12/7/21) will be T. Hunter's last meeting she will be able to attend for this academic year, due to scheduling conflicts; J. Watson will take her place as a student 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 – Reported that the committee will be reviewing GE's 8,9, and 11.

Graduate Faculty Executive Committee: Chair – No Report.

IX. Unfinished Business:

- **Call for Nominations, Spring 2021** – Additional nominations were accepted from the floor in an effort to fill any remaining vacancies from the Spring 2021 call for nominations (*Please find document attached*).
- **Africana Studies Addition to Social/Behavioral Sciences Division** (*Please find document attached*).
 - No objections; unanimously endorsed
- **UFS Resolution 189.02** – Executive Budget (*Please find document attached*).
 - No objections; unanimously endorsed
- **UFS Resolution 189.03** – Increase Flexibility in Telecommuting Policy (*Please find document attached*).
 - **No objections; unanimously endorsed**
- **UFS Resolution 189.04** - Contact Hours Policy for Applied Learning Experiences (*Please find document attached*).
 - **No objections; unanimously endorsed**
- **UFS Resolution 189.05** – UFS Commitment to Education about Racism and American History (*Please find document attached*).
 - **No objections; unanimously endorsed**
- **SGA Resolution 2022-01** – Endorsement of a Syllabus Request System (*Please find document attached*).
 - Motion to postpone until SGA approves at student senate: R. Grantham
 - 2nd: S. Daman

X. New Business: N/A

XI. Announcements: N/A

Meeting was adjourned at 2:10PM on 11/23/21

Minutes submitted by: Amy M. DeChellis