

Faculty Senate Minutes #2

February 13th 2018

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

Members and Senators Absent: J. McNamara, D. West, R. Fiddler, S. Strause, P. Schroeder, E. Bitterbaum, M. Prus, P. Perkins.

Guests: N. Pasquarello, C. Costell Corbin, J. Wilson.

I. Approval of Minutes: The Minutes from January 30th, 2018 were approved by the Senate.

II. Senate Actions: No Senate actions.

III. Chair's Report: J. Ouellette – No Report.

IV. Vice Chair's Report: K. Lawrence – No report.

V. Treasurer's Report: Reminded members about dues; dues are \$10, and can be paid either in cash or by check. As a reminder, please send dues to: Regina Grantham, Communication Disorders & Sciences Dept. PRST, Room 2201.

VI. Secretary's Report: No Report.

VII. President's Report: E. Bitterbaum – No report

VIII. Standing Committee Reports:

Student Affairs Committee: G. Birren, Chair – No report.

Academic Faculty Affairs Committee: A. Fitz-Gibbon, Chair – No report

Planning Committee: No report.

Educational Policy Committee: C. Widdall, Chair – Reported that the EPC is currently working on four different projects, which are as follows:

- Defining a major program GPA; this will go out to campus for vetting within the next few days
- Academic Forgiveness Policy
- Identify what's required in syllabi; Student Learning Outcomes
- Clarity on how students can be removed from programs

Professional Affairs Committee: I. Jordak, Chair – No report

Area Senator: No Report

SUNY Senator: A. Fitz-Gibbon – No report

Student Senator: A. Arkayasa:

- Reported that SGA is currently working on internal reforms, constitution and bylaws

- S. Umansky reported that the SGA has a new Public Relations Committee, with a photographer who can cover events on campus; she urged members of the Senate to get in touch with the committee, if anyone is interested in hiring a photographer for an event.
- S. Umansky also announced that the SGA will be hosting a formal on 3/2/18, for both students and faculty to attend.

IX. Other Committee Reports:

Committee on Teaching Awards: J. Ouelette, Temp. Chair – No report.

Committee on Teaching Effectiveness: K. Bonafide, Chair – No report.

College Research Committee: B. Hodges, Chair – No report

General Education Committee: J. MacNamara, Chair – No report

Graduate Faculty Executive Committee: J. Curtis, Chair – No report

Committee on Committees: G. Evans, Chair – J. Ouellette nominated Valarie Widdall from the floor to fill the senator vacancy of Full Time Lecturer, from the School of Education/Professional Studies; hearing no other nominations from the floor, V. Widdall was elected to fill the position.

X. Unfinished Business:

- The revised update to GFEC bylaws was voted on and approved by the Senate; this document will now go out for referendum.
- The EPC proposal regarding the review of transfer credit from non-regionally accredited colleges/Transfer Advisory Committee was voted on and approved by the Senate.
- The update to the GE 4 SLO was voted on and approved by the Senate.
- The final version of the Title IX Statement was voted on and approved by the Senate.

XI. New Business:

- *AGT* Policy updates were discussed; we will come back and vote on this document in two weeks (2/27/18).
- Faculty Senate Resolution: Access to Free Menstrual Products was discussed; we will come back and vote on this document in two weeks (2/27/18) (*Please see the attached updated document in email*).
- UFS Resolution: Advising International Students was discussed; we will come back and vote on this document in two weeks (2/27/18).

XII. Announcements:

- C. Widdall announced that Phi Kappa Phi (PKP) eligibility lists will be going out soon.
- J. Ouellette reminded members that this month, February, is Black History Month.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:00PM on 2/13/18

Minutes submitted by: Amy M. DeChellis