

## Faculty Senate Minutes #5

November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019

**Members and Senators Present:** A. Addonisio, S. Anderson, C. Badurek G. Birren, , E. Bitterbaum, C. Bennett, A. Blavos, R. Borden, , C. Costell Corbin, A. Curtis, A. DeChellis, A. Fitz-Gibbon, C. Grate, H. Haines, L. Jin, A. Myles, P. Perkins, V. Placide, R. Powell, M. Prus, , P. Schroeder T. Senior, S. Strause, T. Suzuki, R. Vooris, C. Widdall, B. Williams, J. Zhe-Heimerman

**Members and Senators Absent:** S. Comins, A. Dearie, M. DiVita, M. Fox, R. Grantham, J. Hall, C. Hickey, K. Ibe-Lamberts, F. Ishaq, C. Kuretich, J. McNamara, E. Owens, G. Sharer, D. West

**Guests:** A. Berg, J. Kronenbitter, K. Bonafide

**I. Approval of Minutes:** The Minutes from October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019 were approved by the Senate.

**II. Chair's Report:** M. DiVita – No report.

**III. Vice Chair's Report:** G. Birren – Filled in for the chair, since M. DiVita was attending a conference; no report.

**IV. Treasurer's Report:** K. Ibe-Lamberts – No report

**V. Secretary's Report:** F. Ishaq – No report

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

- Reported on his meeting with the other SUNY presidents and the SUNY Chancellor
  - Main focus of the meeting was that admissions is down this year
  - In terms of online education, over 40 thousand New York state residents are taking online courses in other states.
  - Another topic discussed at the meeting with the Chancellor was printing and xeroxing; over 50 million dollars are being spent across campuses in printing and xeroxing. As a result, printing is being monitored in an effort to collect data to try to reduce the amount of excessive printing.
- Announced that there have been over 43 thousand Cortaca Jug tickets sold for the game, which will be held on 11/16/19 at Jersey Stadium
  - There is still a need for one more person to chaperone the last bus that will be taking students to the game, if anyone is interested; the chaperone will receive a free ticket to the game.

### **VII. Policy Committee Reports**

**Joint Committee on Student Interests:** A. Blavos – No report.

**Academic Faculty Affairs Committee:** A. Fitz-Gibbon:

- AFAC chair A. Fitz-Gibbon and Provost M. Prus met with department chairs to discuss each department's Personnel Committee process.
- AFAC has been charged by the Senate's Steering Committee to look at the processes for service and permanent appointment, as well as the external review process.

**Educational Policy Committee:** C. Widdall, Chair:

- EPC currently has a vetting document out to campus for feedback, and asked that people please provide feedback, if they haven't done so already.
- EPC has been working with SRRS regarding 500-level courses, to provide clarity as to when students are eligible to receive credit for these courses.

- EPC is also currently working on creating a policy for minors (as opposed to concentrations and/or majors).

**Professional Affairs Committee:** C. Hickey, Chair – No report.

**Area Senators:** No report

**SUNY Senator/ Alternate Senator:** R. Vooris/Vacant – No report.

**Student Senator:** C. Bennett:

- The SGA's Town Hall meeting last Monday went well, however, they are currently working on ways to improve the student turnout for their next Town Hall meeting during the Spring semester.
- SGA is also currently working on completing their manifesto; it will hopefully be completed sometime within the next few weeks.
- SGA is also working on starting their election process earlier this semester, so that everything will be all set and running when the new semester starts in the spring.

### **VIII. Other Standing Committee Reports:**

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

**College Curriculum Review Committee:** K. Polasek, Chair – No report.

**College Research Committee:** R. Vooris, Chair – No report.

**General Education Committee:** J. McNamara, Chair – Emailed her report to the Senate, as she was unable to attend; the report is as follows: Business as usual right now – just the assessment. The only thing that is different is the review of GE 11 with the newly approved SLOs that were mentioned earlier in the semester.

**Graduate Faculty Executive Committee:** N. Wilson, Chair – No report.

**Committee on Teaching Awards:** M. DiVita, Chair – No report.

### **IX. Unfinished Business:**

- Call for Nominations, Fall 2019 – Additional nominations were taken from the floor; there were no nominations from the floor (*Please find document attached in email*)

### **X. New Business:**

- UFS Resolutions – There were 5 resolutions that were passed at the Fall Plenary that were voted on for endorsement by the Senate (*Please find resolutions attached in email*)
  - Resolution: Support for SUNY Negotiations for a fair and reasonable contract with Elsevier – Discussion ensued.
    - Vote by show of hands: resolution endorsed
  - Resolution: Research Misconduct Investigation Policies – It was explained that if this resolution was endorsed by the Senate, that SUNY Cortland would need to update our misconduct policy, as it is from 2007 and therefore outdated; discussion ensued.
    - Vote by show of hands: resolution endorsed
      - Since this resolution was endorsed, the Chair of Faculty Senate will email the Provost to charge the IRB (Institutional Research Board) with updating our current misconduct policy.
  - Resolution: Establishment of Standing Campus Senate EID Committees – discussion ensued.

