

## Faculty Senate Minutes #2

February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022

### Via WebEx

**Members and Senators Present:** S. Anderson, 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, L. Jin, L. Lopez-Janove, A. Myers, A. Myles, K. Nuhu, , C. Pass, P. Perkins, V. Placide, R. Powell, M. Prus, J. Radloff, P. Schroeder K. Silvestri, G. Sharer, D. West, C. Widdall B. Williams, S. Yoo J. Zhe-Heimerman

**Members and Senators Absent:** K. Johnson, M. Stone, G.Vogt

**Guests:** M. Barnaby, L.Davies, L. Delaubell, K. Haplin, D. Harms, C. Kaltefleiter, C. Knopf, J. McNamara, J. Ouellette, K. Sheets,

**I. Approval of Minutes:** The Minutes from February 1<sup>st</sup> were approved by the Senate.

**II. Chair's Report:** G. Birren – Reported that the UFS Spring Plenary has been rescheduled for 4/3/22-4/5/22 (Sun-Tues), which will interfere with our Faculty Senate meeting that is scheduled for Tuesday, 4/5/22; as a result, several members including herself will be absent from that day's senate meeting.

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

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

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

- Reported on his meeting with the governor, explaining that there are funds available for both SUNY and CUNY
- Reported that he and the provost have a meeting this afternoon with the interim SUNY Chancellor regarding the comprehensive colleges
- Micro-Credentialing is in high demand
- Task force is in the works as a means to eliminate single-use plastic items (i.e.straws, cutlery, cups, etc.); committee to consist of faculty, staff, students, and ASC members
- NYS COVID numbers have dropped significantly

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

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

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

**Educational Policy Committee:** E. Edlund, Chair – Reported that the committee has been working on micro-credentialing; an initial policy draft is in the works to iron out the details. Committee also plans to send a memo out sometime within the next week or so to all the deans and department chairs regarding the interpretation and use of a standard GPA.

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

**Area Senators:** No report

**SUNY Senator/ Alternate Senator:** C. Badurek/A. Blavos – No report

**Student Senator:** T. Hunter:

- Announced that the SGA will be hosting a formal on 3/1/22
- Will be holding an interest meeting this evening at 7PM for their election board
- SGA recently endorsed a resolution that came from Student Affairs regarding prison labor; will bring to Faculty Senate Steering Committee for endorsement from 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 – J. McNamara and L. Delaubell reported that the committee has been working on revisions to GE requirements as well as SLO's; these revisions will be implemented Fall 2023 (*Please find document attached in email*). A survey will be sent out to campus within the next few days for feedback

The following links can be used to access the General Education Committee's survey, SUNY Cortland's General Education website, and the General Education Committee's revision crosswalk:

GE Survey: [https://sunycortland.formstack.com/forms/general\\_education\\_spring\\_2022](https://sunycortland.formstack.com/forms/general_education_spring_2022)

SUNY Cortland GE website: [https://www2.cortland.edu/academics/curriculum/gen\\_edu.dot](https://www2.cortland.edu/academics/curriculum/gen_edu.dot)

Crosswalk (link on website above): <https://www2.cortland.edu/academics/curriculum/links-and-documents/GE%20Crosswalk%20Spring%202022.pdf>

**\*\*\* Please respond to the GE survey by March 4 to provide feedback about implementation**

**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*).
- **SGA Resolution 2022-01** – Endorsement of a Syllabus Request System (*Please find document attached*).
  - Request to withdraw resolution was made by K. Silvestri; changes will be made to resolution based on feedback received by the Faculty Senate and the Joint Committee on Student Interests and re-introduced to the Faculty Senate for endorsement once completed
    - No objections; resolution withdrawn
- **PAC Membership Resolution** (*Please find document attached*).
  - No objections; resolution passes
- **UFS Resolution 190-01-1** – Advancement of Historically Underrepresented Faculty (*Please find document attached*).
  - No objections; resolution passes

- **UFS Resolution 190-02-1** – Successful Implementation of the SUNY General Education Category, Diversity: Equity, Inclusion, and Social Justice (*Please find document attached*).
  - No objections; resolution passes
- **FCCC Statement** – SUNY Chancellor and Executive Leadership Searches (*Please find document attached*).
  - No objections; resolution passes

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

- **Academic Calendars, 2023-2024, 2024-2025, and 2025-2026** (*Please find documents attached*)
  - L. Davies explained there were 13 responses received to survey; main concern was regarding the possibility of extending Thanksgiving break to the entire week, rather than the 3 days
    - Feasibility of implementing a full week break for Thanksgiving isn't realistic due to scheduling conflicts; academic year would have to extend further into May, or begin earlier in August, which would strain the majority of offices across campus
  - What is the reasoning behind presenting calendars 3 years at a time, rather than individually?
    - Helps with planning ahead of time; many larger universities plan 3-5 years in advance
- **Academic Faculty Affairs Committee** – Chapters 220.06 & 220.07 of the College Handbook (*Please find document attached*).
  - Is the process being changed in any way?
    - No, these revisions are to simply clarify the process
- **Academic Faculty Affairs Committee** – Portfolio Reviews Timeline Flowchart (*Please find document attached*).
- **Academic Faculty Affairs Committee** – Portfolio Timelines, Side by Side (*Please find document attached*).

#### **XI. Announcements:**

- C. Widdall – Phi Kappa Phi will be holding their induction ceremony remotely again this year; encouraged faculty members to attend, as there will be faculty members inducted this year. President J. Foley will be sending an email with details regarding the ceremony
- G. Birren – Changes made to the PAC will need to go through referendum, as they are changes to Chapter 150 of the College Handbook

**Meeting was adjourned at 2:19PM on 2/15/22**

Minutes submitted by: Amy M. DeChellis