

Faculty Senate Minutes  
Joint Meeting of the 2016-17 & 2017-18 Senate  
May 9, 2017  
Holloway Hall 119

Senators Present: Stephen Adams, Anita Brown, Thomas Calo, Thomas Cawthern (Webmaster), Randall Cone, Douglas DeWitt, Chrys Egan (Secretary), Stephen Ford (President), Samuel Geleta (Vice President), Aaron Hogue, Kurt Ludwick, John Nieves, James Parrigin, David Parker, David Rieck, Asif Shakur, Bart Talbert, Brent Zaprowski

New Senators Present: Chris Vilmar, Adam Wood, Sandy Pope, Emily Story, Celine Carayon, Christina Harper

Quorum: 18/19 Present

Call to Order: Faculty Senate President Stephen Ford, 3:30 p.m.

1. Approval of Minutes - April 25, 2017 – **Approved**
2. Announcements from the Senate President
  - a. 2017 SUSRC Outstanding Research Mentor Award has been awarded to our own Chrys Egan – Congratulations!
  - b. Successful Defense, Congratulation to Dr. Melissa Boog, who is co-chair of the Gen Ed Steering Committee and who has worked so closely with Faculty Senate over this last year.
  - c. The Green Fund Committee Faculty Rep. appointment goes to Chris Briand of Biology
  - d. A reminder for committee chairs to complete their End-of-Year Reports and submit them to the Webmaster, Tom Cawthern before the term is over. This year we will be completing a Faculty Senate Annual Report, which will be posted on the website.
  - e. A reminder of the upcoming End-of-Year Wine & Cheese Social to be held on Friday, May 19, 2017, 4-6 p.m., in the Dudley-Eshbach Faculty Center. We are planning for 100 or so faculty to attend to celebrate a good year.
  - f. Faculty Senate President's Award goes to Gen Ed Steering Committee members James King and Shawn McEntee for tremendous work on reform and vision.
3. Remarks from Provost Allen – None
  - a. Diane Allen Farewell Celebration, May 17, 2-4, HH Social Room
4. Unfinished/Continuing Business
  - a. Gen Ed Revised Student Learning Goals Motion - Dr. James King.

May 2 Gen Ed meeting did not have a quorum so this document is being revisited with intention of having either acknowledgement or revision. Discussion: The revised version has some new language on sustainability. What do we mean by diversity? It can mean so many things. Electronic version could have links to more details like definition of "diversity." Live, learn, and lead: What about followership? Comment that following is implied in effective leadership, and that citizenship also includes followership.

**Motion: Faculty Senate acknowledges this General Education document on the Revised Student Learning Goals. Motion passes unanimously.**

- b. Department Chair Service, Promotions Committee Charge – tabled from the last meeting, this charge is being sent from the Faculty Senate President to the Committee on Promotion with a report back to Faculty Senate by the end of October 2017.
- c. Honors College Policies & Procedures Revision – tabled from the last meeting, President Ford indicates that the first revision date on the document is incorrect and needs to be fixed and that the document primarily reflects the move from Honors Program to Honors College.

Discussion: Section 2 on Honors Committee – What happens if Honors Committee makes recommendations to the Honors Dean, but those recommendations are not followed?

Answer is that the committee is one of the Faculty Senate and can report concerns to us.

**Motion:** Faculty Senate acknowledges this Honors College document on the Policies & Procedures. Motion passes unanimously.

## 5. New Business

- a. SU Website Redesign Project - Sue Eagle, Asst. VP Marketing & Public Relations  
Two year process to redesign SU's website in alignment with enrollment goals but will impact all aspects of the site. Marketing best practices will be utilized with strategic content and searches, and be ADA compliant. Process includes: discovery with on-site meetings, customer journeys on the site, visual design, content revision, and site development. Shared governance organizations are asked to be actively involved starting in August or September 2017. Current data: 16.5 million page views last year, with 2 minute and 9 seconds as average time.

Discussion: Many faculty have information point of view rather than marketing, so how will those be aligned? Answer is that our site has many functions and we do not want to lose that. Highest rating on our current site for users' ability to find information. Express thoughts and concerns in discovery phase so that site is useful to everyone. Outside consultant in higher education will conduct the process. Main audience is students, but there are 12 audiences, and they will be consulted.

- b. Campus Facilities Changes - Eric Berkheimer, Assoc. VP Facilities & Capital Management  
Displayed images and maps of east campus renovation plans.

Discussion: Will contractor be responsible for the cracked tennis courts? The answer is yes. Questions were asked about facility storage and tentative park pavilion. Eric was asked to discuss the Tri-State Engineering building off of Milford Street and he responded that this was recently purchased and will become an academic building to house the three-dimensional arts programs (sculpture, hot glass, ceramics) It will double the amount of space currently available in Fulton Hall for these programs. The expected opening is late 2019.

- c. Passing of the Gavel – Sam Geleta, incoming Senate President. The incoming President thanked the outgoing President, Stephen Ford for his excellent leadership. He also extended his thanks to the outgoing senators for their service. He welcomed the newly elected senators to the 2017/18 Faculty Senate and wished them success and looking forward to working with them.

- i. Changing of Senators: New Senators present are those listed above, with the exception of Jennifer Jewell who was not present.
  - ii. Election of Officers for the 2017-2018 Faculty Senate
    - 1. **Vice President – Chrys Egan**
    - 2. **Webmaster - Christina Harper**
    - 3. **Secretary – Tom Cawthorn**
  - iii. 2017-18 Faculty Senate Meeting Schedule
    - 1. Fall Regular Meetings: September 5, September 19, October 3, October 17,\* November 7, November 21, December 5
    - 2. Fall Gen Ed Meetings: September 12, October 10, November 14
    - 3. Spring Regular Meetings: February 13, February 27, March 13,\* March 27, April 10, April 24, May 8\*\*
    - 4. Spring Gen Ed Meetings: February 20, March 6, April 17
      - \* Meetings during program advising in October and March may be canceled.
      - \*\* May 8, 2018 is a joint meeting of the 2017-18 and 2018-19 Faculty Senates.
  - iv. Summer Advisory Committee will receive dates from the Provost for summer meetings. The summer Faculty Senate Retreat usually happens in late July or early August and is sponsored by the Provost office and organized by the Vice President. We will likely have a less costly, but still very nice meeting locations for this summer.
  - d. Anything else?
6. Adjournment 4:33 p.m.