Faculty Senate Minutes

Minutes March 19, 2020 Zoom, 3:30 p.m.

Attendance:	
1. Call to Order:	The meeting was called to order by President
Announcements:	See FS Agenda 3.19.20

Agenda Item	Comments / Discussion	Motions	Action
2. Approval of the Minutes		Motion: Westfall Second:	Approval
3. President's Report	 Corona Virus Action Plans, Online Courses, Sanitizing Stations Four-day work week year-round is suggested by IHL as a consideration for savings (200 K) Increase in International tuition (+\$1000/ annual) Scholarship Task Force needs more time Faculty Housing \$50 rent increase #4 6% final number Westfall- Staff council mostly discussed the budget and concerns. Oguz- Tenure and Promotion committee trying to create a document that is a feedback templet. 2/4/6 year review. Want to move document to Provost by 4-2-2020. Committee looking for feedback. 		
4. University Entities	A. Report from Staff Council: Jeffery Johns- B. Report from BPAC: Ellen Green		
5. Faculty Senate Committees	A. Committee on University Services: Julie Lowery, Lesley Mancini,		

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	 Douglas Mark, Zinaida Taran, Maia Elgin-Wegmann B. Committee on University Standing: Gwendolyn Meador, Severine Groh: No Report C. Committee on Elections: Michael Mounce, Gwendolyn Meador, Brain Becker: Elections Michael Mounce- conducted elections online Music: Josh Armstron proxy Larisa Backlin, Art: Kyle Johnston, Chet Oguz. Counseling and psychology: Jon Westfall proxy Jaklyn Goldman, HPER-John Alvarex proxy Franco Zengaro, Finance- Clint Wood Proxy Michelle Matthews. D. Committee on Technology: Jon Westfall, Travis Calvin, David Herbert, Taylor Skelton Westfall: Technology "quiet" not many requests from faculty. E. Committee on General Academic Affairs: Taylor Skelton, David Herbert, Clint Tibbs, Todd Davis, 		
	Andrew Wegman: No report		
6. Action Items			
7. Discussion Items	 A. Do we trust the budget plan? Douglas Mark- Concern for use of 108 Funds used for 90 day reserve. David Herbert- Chairs will hold money for years for large purchases. Example 25 station computer lab. Department is being told they cannot use their own 108 Fund. Overall impression, how can departments budget for their savings if being used for reserves? Westfall-IHL needs a certain amount that they can "count" to fulfill IHL requests. 		

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	 who would do research of the budget to have specific questions ready. April 23, 2020 will be the date for the inquiry. Chet suggests 3-5 people for the committee. Herbert- should be anyone who wants to serve. Chet-looking for volunteers or suggestions. Chet-3 members from FS and 2 more from faculty body. Chet is volunteering to serve. McCracking-suggest canvas discussion to volunteer for the committee. C What's Next? Taylor-Is there an impact on finances, because of virtual transition? Westfall-Financial impact from virtual transition- Only loss so far is paying child care workers since daycare shut down. Herbert- Dorms and meal plans refund? No. Mark-"Student" wants to come back to dorms to use facility instruments. But they will be limited to which instruments can be used. Chet- Subject: student checking out of dorms. Mark-concern over vacating dorms at one time. It should have been limiting number of people who can collect things at an assigned time slot. Wegmann- Agrees. System seems to go against isolation from others. Maia Wegmann- Seems pleased about internet access plan. 	
	to contact the instructor if	

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	 student does not have internet access. Chet-Majority of students who he has spoken with, do have internet access. How do we handle students who don't have internet access? Wegmann- School has sent emails to students asking their situation. But how do we handle students who don't have internet access? Chet- Gray Kane has teaching center of how to deal with virtual classroom difficulties. Ekward Mcknight- Did administration speak to Chet or faculty on their opinion about going virtual? Chet- No. But DSU seems to be following lead of other schools in the state. Jules Kelley Mach-Has concerns about student internships in school districts that are dependent on graduation. Wegmann- May need permission from "higher ups" for accrediting hours that have been completed in internships for graduating seniors. Taran-Should we create a petition to advocate for those students? Chet- Chairs are supposed to be looking into unique situations. 	
D. Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned at 4:50PM	Motion: Chet Second: Taran

Next meetings

Executive Committee Meeting: Union General Faculty Senate Meeting: April 2, 2020 - Faculty Lounge

April 9 – Union 302 A