

Faculty Senate
 Minutes
 May 6, 2021
 Zoom, 3:30 p.m.

Attendance:	Jon Westfall, Maia Elgin Wegmann, David Hebert, Josh Armstrong, Andrew Wegmann, Charlie Abraham, Lynn Reed, AHM Reza, Zina Taran, Valerie Morgan, John Alvarez, Addie Herrod, Clint Wood, Karen Bell, David Hebert, Taylor Skelton, Brian Becker, Carolyn Bailey
1. Call to Order:	The meeting was called to order by President at 3:32
2. Announcements:	None

Agenda Item	Comments / Discussion	Motions	Action
3. Approval of Minutes of April 8, 2021 meeting	1. Vote to approve minutes 2. Vote: Unanimous	Motion: AH Second: JW	Approved
4. President's Report	1. Cabinet approved 2.5% pay increase for all employees <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. \$110,000 left over b. Market adjustments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Not enough for everyone ii. Chairs must apply for funds 2. Faculty Presidential Forum 3. Provost Search Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Andy Novobilski accepted position b. Starts July 1 c. Tenured in College of Business and Aviation 4. COVID numbers remain low 5. Ribbon cutting for new president's house <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. May 11th, 3-6 p.m. b. Open invitation 6. Academic Council <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Rubrics for face-to-face hours in asynchronous online courses <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Quantify assignments, etc. into facetime hours for IHL requirements ii. AW wants senator's thoughts before voting 		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> iii. ZT question: Can we push back against this? Overreach? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. AW: Can push back internally; Academic Affairs Sub Com 2. JW: Rubric/standards still in formation; needed for SACS review b. One-hour (mostly) courses deleted <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Varsity sports ii. Writing Center attendance (move to 100 level?) c. GPA threshold for scholarships adjusted from 3.25 to 3.0 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. For next year ii. Allow for leniency based on COVID year <p>7. JW: enforcement of Gen Ed competencies prior to SACS review</p> <p>8. Committee to reform student handbook</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Over summer b. AW and JW will serve 		
5. University Entities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Report from Staff Council: NJ (absent) 2. Report from BPAC: RT (absent) 		
6. Faculty Senate Committees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Committee on University Services: Karen Bell 2. Committee on University Standing (JW): no report 3. Committee on Elections: 4. Committee on Technology (JA): no report 5. Committee on General Academic Affairs (AR): no report 		
7. Action Item	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Vote on Proposed Meeting Schedule for 2021-2022 2. Cancel June and July meetings 3. DH: Can make changes as needed 4. Amendment: Meet in person, as long as COVID 19 conditions remain the same or improve 5. Vote: Unanimous 	<p>Motion: AW</p> <p>Second: ZT</p>	Approved
8. Action Item	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Vote on meeting in person starting in Aug. (Union 302A) 2. Amend above schedule—no longer via Zoom 3. DH: Add language: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Assuming current trends continue 	<p>Motion: AW</p> <p>Second: CW</p>	Approved

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> b. Pending latest on COVID-19 c. Seconded by CW <p>4. ZT: Is meeting over Zoom particularly detrimental?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. AW: Collegiality b. CW: Open meetings <p>5. Vote: 10 in favor, 1 opposed, 3 abstentions</p>		
9. Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. AW: Ideas to consider over the summer/address next year? 2. JW: FS can make changes: i.e. Zoom office hours <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Pedagogical soundness of Zoom meetings for class? b. Maintain freedom in the classroom 3. DH: Facilities request orders <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Notify someone when faculty apartments will be serviced b. Post service survey (like with OIT) c. JW: Allow faculty members to put tickets in, not just building managers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. DH: Disagree—bm’s need to know what’s going on ii. Fac members can make ticket, must be approved by bm’s 4. Academic Council and New Provost <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. AW: Provost veto power on Academic Council agenda <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. FS petition ii. Allow deans to add items b. ZT: FS relationship-building with Provost c. DH: Slow down rate of passing items in AC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Done in a single meeting ii. Need time for FS feedback iii. Shared governance? d. AW: Start work on both of these over summers? e. DH: Add discussion meeting each month? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Informal ii. Via Zoom 	<p>Motion: CW</p> <p>Second: JG</p>	Approved

	iii. AW: Consider this, make it voluntary, draw up resolution		
10. New Business	1. None		
11. Adjournment	1. The meeting was adjourned by President AW at 4:14	Motion: DH Second: JW	Adjourned

Next meetings

Executive Committee Meeting: Summer as needed; August 5, 2021
 General Faculty Senate Meeting: August 12, 2021; Union 302A