

Faculty Senate Survey Report (FSSR) Committee Minutes

Spring Semester, Meeting #7

Tuesday, April 12, 2022

Virtual Meeting, 2-3 p.m. CST

ATTENDING

Andy Kramer

Matthew Sparacio

Kate Shannon

Jeri Walker

- I. Call to Order – 2:01 pm CST
- II. Charge
 - a. Committee Members were charged with reviewing the 2020-2021 FSSR and considering the following tasks for this meeting:
 - i. To finalize and clarify response options for the Faculty Senate Survey Draft that will be discussed and voted on for approval during April 13 Senate meeting.
 - ii. To look at our new charge: organizing the Shared Governance Forum (SGF) topic scheduled for April 19: *“Becoming a Student-Ready College”*
- III. Discussion
 - a. The Faculty Senate tabled both our discussions in its last meeting on March 30 due to time constraints. This resulted in the following outcomes:
 - i. The FSSR Committee could not update the FSS because the Senate as a whole did not discuss or approve of revised 2021-2022 draft.
 1. See below: FSSR Committee **MOTIONS TO APPROVE** 2021-2 Survey.
 - ii. The FSSR Committee could not discuss with the Senate as a whole a soft agenda for the upcoming Shared Governance Forum.
 1. See below: FSSR Committee **MOTIONS TO APPROVE** Recommendations for April 19 Shared Governance Forum Soft Agenda (see next section).
 - b. Proposed Soft Agenda for the Shared Governance Forum *“Becoming a Student-Ready College”* scheduled for April 19.
 - i. REVIEW: Official announcements regarding the SGF topic and how to access the selection from *Becoming a Student-Ready College* so it can be read before the forum were previously sent out. Additionally, faculty who are not members of the Senate received instruction to contact Andy Kramer directly with an se.edu email account to get a .pdf of the reading.
 - ii. The FSSR Committee wants to emphasize that this SGF will be a collaborative and shared venture. We encourage any and all feedback regarding this topic and for wider discussion as colleagues involved in the larger process of creating a “student-ready” campus.

1. **RATIONALE:** This topic corresponds well with the recent introduction of a plan to create a new university strategic plan (topic of the last SGF on March 28). This plan for a strategic plan included five pillars: (1) academic excellence; (2) affordability; (3) sustainability; (4) facilities and infrastructure; (5) being “student—ready.”
- iii. What do we think are essential or foundational pieces for “student-readiness”?
 1. Communities of Practice
 2. “Everyone as Educator”
 3. Approachability and Accessibility
 4. Collaboration
 - a. **QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER:** *How do these topics and themes work for us? And how do we see these topics and themes scaling to Southeastern?*
 - b. **OPEN DISCUSSION**
- iv. There are a number of questions that we as faculty hope to gain clarity from administration on:
 1. *What is the administration’s definition of “student-ready”?*
 2. *What role do we as faculty play in this plan? In other words, how do faculty contribute to its successful implementation?*
 3. *What are the objectives and desired outcomes of embracing a “student-ready” philosophy?*
- c. How do we – and should we – bring in other university stakeholders to join in on this conversation?
 - i. Should the FS extend an invitation to SGA leadership to participate or attend this forum?
 - ii. Should the FS extend an invitation to Staff Senate leadership to participate or attend this forum?

IV. Plans Looking Forward

- a. The FSSR Committee **MOTIONS FOR APPROVAL** (tabled during 3/30 meeting):
The adoption of a revised 2021-2022 Faculty Senate Survey.
 - i. If the FSS is approved, Senator Sparacio will contact Acting FS Chair Shannon about gaining access to the FS Survey Monkey account, to update the Survey and have it ready to be sent out to faculty during later April.
- b. The FSSR Committee **MOTIONS FOR APPROVAL** (tabled during 3/30 meeting):
Recommendations for April 19 Shared Governance Forum Soft Agenda
 - i. If the soft agenda is approved, FSSR Committee members will finalize agenda for the Shared Governance Forum.

- c. Acting FS Chair Shannon will contact President Newsom about the topic of the FS-led Shared Governance Forum, then official announcements regarding the topic and how to access the selection from *Becoming a Student-Ready College* to read before the forum.
 - i. Faculty who are not members of the Senate will be instructed to contact Andy Kramer directly with an se.edu email account to get a .pdf of the reading.
 - d. Next Meeting: no specific meeting is planned.
 - i. Will have a shared document FSSR Committee members can update and collaborate on to finalize structure of the agenda for the SGF
- V. Adjournment – 2:26 pm CST