

Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes

10.4.2023

3:00-4:30 p.m.

- I. Call to Order
Called to order by SENCHAR at 15:01, having secured a quorum.
Attendees:
Kate Shannon
Kyle C. Lincoln
Chris Moretti
B. Steve Csaki
Ian Gerg
Jayanna Greenwood
Sondra Petty
Amy Gantt
Hanzi Xu
Sarah Morrison
Andy Kramer
Amy Mills
Laura Lamb Achley
Jenni Maple
Srimal Garusighe
Guests: Zach Morgan, Dena Rymel, Amy Towne

- II. Minutes from September 20, 2023
Accepted with the amendment of the list of attendees, which were highlighted.
Accepted with two abstentions pro forma.

- III. Treasurer's Report
Treasurer reports that executive committee began discussions to help sort out the adjustments to FACSSEN award winners will be provided for in person.

- IV. Committee Reports
 - A. Budget Committee
BUDGET did not meet. No Report.

 - B. Committee on Committees
COMCOM did not meet. No Report.

 - C. Executive Committee
EXCOM did meet. Discussion of SGF, discussed early ideas about approaching it with a view toward working on the HLC pre-visit discussion. Preliminary conversation about discussion of the drafts for the SGF on 17 October. Discussed and amended the charges issued, but with few additions of new duties instead of clarifications that were offered to those charged duties.

- D. Personnel Policies Committee
PERCOM did not meet. No Report.
- E. Planning Committee
PLANCOM did not meet. No Report.
- F. University Affairs Committee
UACOM did not meet. No Report.
- V. Old Business
 - A. Faculty Senate Chair Elect – Sondra Petty
Celebrated the appointment, with the FACSEN’s commendation for future service. Petty makes obvious joke about Old Business.
- VI. New Business
 - A. Sub-Committee Assignment for 2023-2024
Assignments sorted by the SENCHAR based on the survey results. SENCHAR notes that several FAQ and Help documents have been added to the Modules on Canvas to facilitate the work of Sub-Committees. Membership was sorted based on the APPM’s guidelines; persons have been asked to serve on no more than two committees, except where APPM requirements necessitate.
 - B. Charges for Sub-Committees
Charges are included on Canvas, and have only been added to as a clarification or where the additions were unavoidable.
 - i 2022 -2023 Chairs schedule and hold sub-committee meetings before the next general meeting on October 18th.
Former Chairs are asked to call the first meeting to begin the business, unless a current Chair is still serving to call the first meeting. Atchley asked to call the first meeting of the University Affairs committee, since she was a previous member.
 - ii First action item for each Sub-Committee – Elect a new Chair.
New Chairs are asked to notify the SENCHAR when they have been named.
 - iii Meeting reports should be submitted in Canvas prior to the next General Meeting on October 18th.
Committees are asked to, wherever possible, submit their new reports before the EOB of Monday before the subsequent meeting of the Senate.
 - C. APPM Draft feedback regarding inclusion of Deans
Senators are asked to comment on the integration of the Deans structure for T&P because of the requirements of the JMSB’s accreditation. VPAA Golden asked that the T&P be the special focus of feedback on this issue, since that’s the goal of the amendment to the APPM. Some commentary from the floor about the places where Deans were added inconsistently in the steps of the T&P process. These changes are only in the JMSB, but this is likely a future project for the Strategic Vision

document and the HLC drafts. JMSB is just the initial guinea pig. Some note about the inclusion of an extra step presenting a burden/advocate problem for the T&P ladder, since not having an advocate or having another person to decline a portfolio would provide a certain grounds for appeal/grievance.

D. Shared Governance Forum – October 17th – Discussion - HLC Assurance Report Drafts Ideally, attendees will be able to discuss the assurance document to make potential improvements to the process. SENCHAR encourages the reading of at least one of these documents to create greater discussion on these issues. SENCHAR requests that some members volunteer to lead/spur the discussion of at least one of the designated criteria, so that the SGF has a stronger participation and more substantive feedback for the documents. SENCHAR requests that the feedback produced might be forwarded by 12 October. This is especially requested for Criterion 3 and 4, since they are longer and more prone to trimming. SENCHAR will send a Canvas signup sheet to facilitate the discussion about the draft Criterion-designated documents that will be in line for discussion.

XII. Announcements

- a Mutual Mentoring Group meeting on Monday, October 16th at 1:30 pm in Science 333 – Topic: Faculty Development, Tenure, and Promotion
MMG sent out a Teaching and Learning conference at SE in December, and a CFP is forthcoming on that front.**

- b Academic Appeals Committee includes several Senators, but conflicts of scheduling and commitment present ethical questions about when to arrive and meeting. In this case, the AAC meets at the same time as the SGF, presenting potential scheduling conflicts.**

XIII. Adjournment

Amy Mills moved; Andy Kramer seconded; Adjourned at 15:35.