

Minutes for Faculty Senate
Wednesday, March 13, 2024
Meeting 5, Spring 2024

Attendance:

Kate Shannon
Randy Clark
Stan Aluisi
Kyle C. Lincoln
Sarah Morrison
Srimal Garasinghe
Meg Cotter-Lynch
Dena Rymel
Mila Zhu
Jeni Maple
Lori Rupert (Visitor)
Laura Lamb-Atchley
Andy Kramer
Amy Gantt
B. Steve Csaki
Jayanna Greenwood
Carol Sullivan (Visitor)
Ian Gerg
Frank Xu
Aaron Adair (Visitor)
Amy Mills

- I. Call to Order
KS Called to Order

- II. Minutes from February 28, 2024
Motion to approve SA, Second by AK.
Minor corrections to spelling.
Approved unanimously.

- III. Treasurer's Report
BC reports that the paperwork for the Senatorial awards that were delayed last year has been resolved.

IV. Committee Reports

A. Budget Committee

BUDCOM has no new report.

B. Committee on Committees

COMCOM has provided a “Year End Report” form that might be used for the committees, and, if comments on the form’s improvement might occur to members, they are encouraged to send that feedback to the members of the committee.

C. Executive Committee

KS notes that there was some discussion on the forms and paperwork for the work of committees, and this was rooted in the SGF. There were a number of places in the APPM noted that have not been regularly observed, and some refresher might be needed.

D. Personnel Policies Committee

PPC did not meet, and has no report.

E. Planning Committee

PC asks for votes for the Lifetime Achievement Award, because there are currently ties. There are several ties in 3 of the 4 schools. Tiebreaker votes need to be completed by 15 March 2024.

F. University Affairs Committee

UAC did not meet. No report.

G. Academic Integrity Ad Hoc Committee

No formal meeting, early discussion to plan next meeting and next steps after Spring Break.

V. Old Business

A. Civitas Training – Thoughts

KS notes that a training was held last Friday (8 March) during the 9-11 a.m. class hour. General disarray reigned in the messaging for the roll-out. AAUP has had some discussion. AG is concerned that colleagues not involved with Faculty Senate are completely unaware of Civitas or its elements; similarly, no access for Civitas has been offered for sandboxing. SP notes that she was locked out from the program, so couldn’t finish the training, and thus has dropped it. SP notes that a lot of the functionality seems to be tailored for mega-schools. LLA notes that she didn’t even get really started, since faculty time is already too subdivided, and expressed willingness to try to watch the video but has not received it. KS notes that expectations and realities are still infrequently aligned. Widespread frustration was expressed about the process of the rollout and its implementation.

VI. New Business

No New Business

XII. Announcements

- A. Faculty-Staff Recognition – Monday, April 22nd at 3:30 in the VPAC
- B. Shared Governance Forum – April 23rd– Administration Topic – Academic Integrity – Student Affairs Presentation
- C. Mutual Mentoring Group Meeting – April 11th at 3:30 pm in Science 333.
- D. **Study Abroad Director invites Faculty interested in leading or joining Study Abroad programs in the future to email him.**
- E. **The 27 March meeting of the Senate will be rescheduled because of the Curriculum Contest.**

XIII. Adjournment

Adjourned at 16:01 by motion from FC, seconded by SA.