

Faculty Senate Meeting  
Thursday, November 21, 2019, 3:30pm  
Martinelli Board Room

Dr. Chuck Ross called the meeting to order at 3:30pm and thanked CAFÉ for providing snacks.

The following members were present:

Dr. Kat Alves	Dr. Ann Bailey-Yoelin	Ms. Natalie Browning	Dr. Bill Burger
Dr. Roger Byrne	Mr. Ian Danielsen	Mr. Donovan Douglas	Dr. Lisa Edwards-Burrs
Mr. Jack Harmon	Mr. Carl Harvey	Dr. Brandon Jackson	Dr. Mary Lehman
Dr. Virginia Lewis	Ms. Madison Lewis	Dr. Jeannine Perry	Dr. Tom PlaHovinsak
Dr. Charles Repp	Mr. Brent Roberts	Dr. Chuck Ross	Dr. Steve Samaras
Dr. Leah Shilling-Stouffer	Dr. Larissa Smith	Dr. Robin Smith	Dr. Ryan Stouffer
Dr. Sarah Tanner-Anderson	Teresa Irish, Recorder		

Also present were Dr. Bill Abrams, Ms. Kathy Charleston, Dr. Kevin Doyle, Dr. Chris McGee, Dr. Sara Miller (via WebEx), Dr. David Shoenthal, Dr. Gena Southall, and Dr. Pam Tracy.

The minutes of the October 31 Faculty Senate meeting were approved as submitted.

Senate discussed various ways to shorten commencement. Madison Lewis reported that she did not receive much feedback from GSA, but the reaction to possibly moving the Commissioning ceremony was a mixed bag. Jack Harmon asked recent graduates, all of whom were in favor of moving Commissioning to another date but none of whom liked the idea of splitting up by colleges. Robin Smith passed along suggestions to (1) keep the Commissioning ceremony but do it as a group and; (2) setting a time limit of two minutes for all introducers. Roger Byrne remarked that at his previous institution there were two streams of graduates coming in from stage right and stage left, and two announcers alternating calling names. Students shake hands and exit center stage. Ms. Lewis remarked that students might mind not stepping on Princeps crown. Brandon Jackson passed along a suggestion to post colors before procession. Ann Bailey-Yoelin got a suggestion to bring back December graduation.

Senate then discussed modifying the CV requirements in the FPPM. Mary Lehman asked if a standardized format helps administrators. Lara Smith responded that we can make sure the necessary stuff is in there without standardizing the format. Dr. Smith asked if we could have a fillable PDF into which faculty could plug information. Dr. Bailey-Yoelin suggested that the CV be condensed to focus on the three primary areas: teaching, scholarship, and service. Ian Danielsen suggested that departments have autonomy over CVs with a baseline checklist.

Lee Bidwell asked senators to let her know if there are particular concerns to go to the Board of Visitors in December. Bill Abrams asked if Dr. Bidwell should ask about potential budget cuts; Dr. Smith responded probably not.

Dr. Smith introduced [possible changes to Program Coordinator and Graduate Program Director language in the FPPM](#). She asked senators to take the information back to their departments for discussion. Teresa Irish will send an email with the linked document.

Dr. Abrams led discussion and voting about the EPC agenda:

- Description change, new name, separate/new program, and/or credit change for [Elementary and Middle School Education and Teaching, BS](#) & [Elementary and Middle School Licensure](#); [Elementary Education and Teaching, BS](#) & [Elementary School Licensure](#); [Liberal Studies](#); and [Special Education and Teaching](#) & [Professional Education Requirements for Pre K -12 SPED](#) all passed via voice vote.
- A proposed change, in accordance with SACSCOC regulations, to the [UG Catalog Civitae Requirement](#), first introduced at October 31 Senate meeting, was discussed again and passed via voice vote with one opposed.

- Changes in title, description, credits, prerequisites and/or corequisites for [READ 660](#), [READ 670](#), [SLIB 520](#), [SLIB 530](#), [SLIB 620](#), and [SLIB 670](#) were passed via voice vote. All of these courses will be split 2 credits/1 credit online/face-to-face
- A [new minor in HPE BS](#), which is an add-on to Kinesiology, passed via voice vote.
- A proposed new major, [Early Childhood Education](#), is before Senate for a vote. The development of this major is part of a statewide initiative to create a path from an associate degree in ECED at community colleges to a four year degree at state colleges and universities. After discussion the new major was approved with nine (9) votes for, four (4) votes against, and four (4) abstentions.

There being no further business, Dr. Lehman moved to adjourn at 4:24pm. The motion was seconded by Dr. Shilling-Stouffer and the meeting was adjourned. Dr. Ross encouraged all senators to attend the Fall Student Showcase for Research and Creative Inquiry.

Respectfully submitted,

Teresa Irish