

Faculty Senate Meeting
Thursday, January 23, 2020, 3:30pm
Martinelli Board Room

Dr. Chuck Ross called the meeting to order at 3:30pm and thanked the College of Education and Human Services for providing snacks.

The following members were present:

Dr. Kat Alves	Dr. Ann Bailey	Dr. Lee Bidwell
Ms. Natalie Browning	Dr. Bill Burger	Dr. Roger Byrne
Dr. Jackie Daniel	Mr. Ian Danielsen	Mr. Donovan Douglas
Dr. Lisa Edwards-Burrs	Dr. Alix Fink	Dr. Lily Goetz
Dr. Elif Guler	Mr. Jack Harmon	Dr. Brandon Jackson
Dr. Mary Lehman	Dr. David Lehr	Ms. Madison Lewis
Dr. Kat McCleskey	Dr. Lisa Minor	Dr. Tim O'Keefe
Dr. Adam Paulek	Dr. JoEllen Pederson	Dr. Jeannine Perry
Dr. Tim Pierson	Dr. Tom PlaHovinsak	Dr. Lissa Power-deFur
Dr. Charles Repp	Dr. Timothy Ritzert	Mr. Brent Roberts
Dr. Charles Ross	Dr. Steve Samaras	Dr. Leah Shilling-Stouffer
Dr. Larissa Smith	Dr. Ryan Stouffer	Dr. Sarah Tanner-Anderson
Dr. Kristin Whiteley	Teresa Irish, Recorder	

Also present were Bill Abrams, Rhonda Brock-Servais, Kathy Charleston, Kevin Doyle, Jason Faulk, Emily Heady, Susan Hines, Chris McGee, Wendy McMillan, Jennifer Miskec, and Jessi Znosko.

The minutes of the November 21 Faculty Senate meeting were approved as submitted.

Tim Pierson spoke about the [upcoming NSSE](#). This national survey is for freshmen and seniors, and 1,600 colleges and universities participate. Longwood will mine the data we collect and make the results available to all. He reminded senators to remind faculty: don't offer incentives to complete the NSSE beyond those incentives offered to all.

Kevin Doyle, chair of the Committee on Finance and Planning, gave an [update](#) on his committee's work in 2019-20. Chuck Ross asked about progress on a more thorough and easily accessible financial report as discussed by PAC with the President. Dr. Doyle will follow up with Louise Waller. Dr. Doyle believes attendance was so slim at the last budget forum because it was not at the typical meeting time, it was too late in the semester, and faculty/staff were not given enough notice about the forum. Chip Bowman, Longwood's financial consultant, will attend a future Senate meeting to provide a more detailed look at Longwood's finances.

Lee Bidwell presented her [report](#) from the December BoV meeting. Several people have remarked that they wanted a more thorough report from Strategic Operations, and Dr. Bidwell noted that it is coming at the January 31 UPC meeting. The theme for Dr. Bidwell's March report to the Board is Civitae and academic innovation. Please provide her with any information you would like for her to share.

Larissa Smith addressed the low cost/no cost textbook issue. If you look at FPPM II.U., our policy is close. We added FPPM II.V., Open Educational Resources, in 2018. In 2019 the legislature added language about low cost/no cost textbooks (\$50 or less), a designation which will appear in the online course catalog. Dr. Ross has charge the Bookstore Innovation Group (BIG) to work with an already established working group headed by Wade Edwards to be a funnel for faculty concerns. Longwood is not obligated to advertise to students. Dr. Ross asked senators to go back to their departments with this information and collect implementation questions. He

will send a list of questions already asked to senators. Natalie Browning noted that the VIVA grants application deadline is at the end of February, and on April 24 Longwood will host the SCHEV Day of Dialogue about this topic.

Dr. Smith presented the [Honors Faculty Proposal](#). She asked Senators to take it back to their departments for discussion, so that it may be voted on at the next Senate meeting. This proposal is about evaluation standards. Honors faculty are currently evaluated on teaching in their discipline department and on service by the Cormier Honors College. It also begins to address two “missing” policies at Longwood: a dual appointment policy and an honors faculty designation for tenured and tenure track faculty.

Emily Heady and Jason Faulk spoke about Admissions updates. Longwood’s target enrollment of first-time, full-time students for 2020-2021 is 1,025. By all measures currently available at this point in the Admissions cycle, we are ahead of last year. Admissions has been working with Advancement and the LU Foundation to repurpose some scholarship dollars to be offered to incoming freshmen who meet certain standards. The Scholarship Task Force has looked at reducing restrictions on scholarships so that Longwood may use some funding to recruit first year students and give them awards for four years.

Bill Abrams presented the EPC report, as follows:

- He asked that the vote on three new concentrations—[Graphic, Animation, and Motion Design](#); [Children’s Literature](#); and [Sociology BA or BS Community Health](#)—be taken together. All passed by acclamation.
- The [Professional Writing Concentration](#) and the [Integrated Environmental Sciences Minor](#) have requested a change in credits. Both proposals passed by acclamation.
- [PSYC 230](#) is changing to a Pillar Course which requires a course number level change. [NURS 315](#) is also changing levels. Both proposals passed by acclamation.

Dr. Smith led a discussion of revisions to [FPPM II. F., Program Coordinators, and FPPM II. G., Graduate Program Directors](#). After discussion, she will take the proposed revisions back to the Academic Chairs Council, and will also confer with SACJ and CHPH, the two departments most impacted by the proposed revisions. Dr. Smith views the proposed revisions as clarification of existing policies.

Brent Roberts introduced possible revisions to [FPPM III. I., Faculty Qualifications and Credentials \(Librarian Terminal Degree\)](#). The revised policy passed by acclamation.

There being no new business, the meeting adjourned at 4:50pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Teresa Irish