

Called Faculty Senate Meeting
Tuesday, August 18, 2020, 3:30pm
via Zoom

Dr. JoEllen Pederson called the meeting to order at 3:32pm. The following members were on the call:

Dr. Robert Blaisdell	Dr. Lee Bidwell	Ms. Natalie Browning
Dr. Bill Burger	Dr. Scott Cook	Dr. Jackie Daniel
Mr. Ian Danielsen	Mr. Donovan Douglas	Dr. Lily Goetz
Dr. Will Holliday	Dr. Brandon Jackson	Dr. Chris Labosier
Dr. Dina Leech	Dr. Virginia Lewis	Dr. Leigh Lunsford
Dr. Pam McDermott	Dr. Lisa Minor	Dr. Kelly Nelson
Dr. Tim O'Keefe	Dr. JoEllen Pederson	Dr. Jill Perttula
Dr. Tom PlaHovinsak	Dr. Lissa Power-deFur	Dr. Tim Ritzert
Dr. Brent Roberts	Dr. Steve Samaras	Dr. Larissa Smith
Dr. Ryan Stouffer	Dr. Dorothy Suskind	Dr. Sarah Tanner-Anderson
Dr. Sarah Varela	Dr. Kristin Whitely	Dr. Andrew Yeagley
Teresa Irish, Recorder		

Also present were Dr. Bill Abrams, Andrew Campbell, Kathy Charleston, Dr. Kevin Doyle, Dr. Alix Fink, Jen Fraley, Dr. Scott Grether, Dr. Sujana Henkanathgedara, Dr. Alec Hosterman, Kim Lettner, Dr. Kat McClesky, Dr. Julie Mersiowsky, Dr. David Shoenthal, Dr. Pam Tracy, and Jennifer Whitaker.

This meeting was called to vote on four policy issues. The first was a revision to [FPPM Section I. D., Statement on Sexual Harassment](#). There was no discussion on the item and it passed 22-0 with one abstention.

The second item was an [addendum to the Attendance Policy, FPPM Section II. F.](#) After amendments were proposed, accepted, withdrawn, and defeated, the final language accepted by the Senate by a vote of 22-1 is:

“For the 2020-2021 academic year, faculty are encouraged to count attendance in ways that are consistent with health and safety. This may include virtual synchronous viewing, watching recorded lectures or participation in online activities, assignments and discussion boards. If a student is at risk of missing more than 10% of a course due to quarantine or illness, faculty should work with the student to determine a reasonable path forward based on medical information, grades to date, and time remaining in the semester.

Students are required to wear a face covering, as described in the face covering policy, at all times inside academic buildings, including during class and in the hallways, restrooms, and elevators. Students without appropriate face coverings may be denied entry into the classroom and be counted absent for that day. Faculty and students may report those who refuse to wear a mask to the Office of Student Conduct and Integrity.”

This language will be appended to FPPM Section II. F., Class Attendance, in the 2020-21 FPPM.

The third item was the addition of a [Facemask Policy](#) to the Syllabus Statements found on the Academic Affairs website, to which there is a required link on all syllabi. After amendments were proposed and accepted, the final language accepted by the Senate by a vote of 24-1 is:

“For the 2020-2021 academic year, students are required to wear a face covering at all times inside academic buildings, including during class and in the hallways, restrooms, and elevators. This policy is contingent on updated CDC guidelines.

Face coverings must cover the mouth and nose, fit snugly against the side of the face, and appropriately reduce aerosol emissions. Cloth face coverings should be made of more than one layer of fabric. Exceptions are

possible only in the event that the content of the course is impossible to achieve with a face covering (for example, playing certain musical instruments) and provided that other protective measures are in place. According to the CDC, face shields and masks with unfiltered exhaust valves are not appropriate face coverings.

Students without appropriate face coverings may be denied entry into the classroom and be counted absent for that day. Faculty and students may report those who refuse to wear a mask to the Office of Student Conduct and Integrity.”

This language will be added to the Syllabus Statements on the Academic Affairs website.

The final item was the addition of a Syllabus Statement [protecting intellectual property](#). After amendments were proposed, defeated, and accepted, the final language accepted by the Senate by a vote of 21-0 is:

“Content and materials for this course are for your learning only and should not be shared with others outside of the class. This includes the materials located within the learning management system, information sent to you through email, and/or content provided to you through webcasting with your professor. You may not share your course connection information (login or password), your content received through Canvas, or any videos sent to you that are specifically for this course. This includes sharing postings or recordings made by the instructor or students without permission of the originator.

When you are attending a course through web-conferencing (for example, Zoom), there should not be other persons interacting with the system or attending the session.

Any violation of this policy can result in disciplinary action. Faculty or students may report those who violate University policies regarding intellectual property to the Office of Student Conduct and Integrity.”

This language will be added to the Syllabus Statements on the Academic Affairs website.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:02pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Teresa Irish