

Faculty Senate Meeting  
Thursday, March 1, 2018, 3:30 PM  
Maugans Martinelli Board Room

Dr. Porter called the meeting to order at 3:30 pm, and thanked Graduate and Professional Studies for providing snacks.

The following members were present:

Dr. Bill Abrams	Dr. Kellyn Hall	Dr. Adam Paulek
Dr. Ann Bailey	Mr. Jeff Halliday	Dr. Jeannine Perry
Ms. Jennifer Beach	Mr. Carl Harvey	Dr. Tim Pierson
Dr. Chris Bjornsen	Dr. Patricia Horne-Hastings	Dr. Sarah Porter
Dr. Rhonda Brock-Servais	Mr. Samuel Kane	Dr. Lissa Power-deFur
Dr. Lisa Edwards-Burrs	Ms. Lacy Klinger	Dr. Charles Repp
Dr. Roger Byrne	Dr. Connie Koski	Dr. Carl Riden
Dr. Paul Chapman	Dr. Mary Lehman	Mr. Brent Roberts
Dr. Lara Fergeson	Dr. Kyle Levers	Dr. Ryan Stouffer
Dr. Alix Fink	Dr. Brett Martz	Dr. Sean Ruday
Dr. Adam Franssen	Dr. Lisa Minor	Dr. Linda Wright
Ms. Kiersten Freedman	Dr. Barbara Newton	
Dr. Jackie Hall		

Also present were Ms. Natalie Browning, Mr. Mark Hamilton, Dr. Emily Heady, Ms. Susan Hines, Ms. Lacy Klinger, Ms. Ashley Leslie, Mr. Kevin Napier, Dr. David Shoenthal.

Members not present were Dr. Ang Blanchette, Dr. Karla Collins, Mr. Ken Copeland, Mrs. Claire LaRoche, Ms. Jessica Morris, Dr. Tim OKeefe, Dr. Bennie Waller, Pres. Taylor Reveley.

The minutes from the February 1, 2018, meeting were approved.

Dr. Tim Pierson introduced Ms. Kiersten Freedman as the new SGA Representative to Faculty Senate.

Dr. Sarah Porter called on Dr. Emily Heady and Dr. Jennifer Green to discuss the new Coaching Program from Student Success. Dr. Green noted that with the end of LSEM there was a need to create a way to academically coach students while helping them form relationships with faculty and other students. Special interest groups will be formed and will include approximately 15 students to one coach. Faculty are encouraged to sign up to be coaches. University campuses using this technique see increased retention rates continuing through to graduation.

Dr. Porter called on Mr. Kevin Napier to report on the SGA Resolution on Mental Health. The topic of mental health was high on the SGA agenda this year. To meet the increased demand for counselors at CAPS, a new ten month post-graduate position was created. Students are being encouraged to join group sessions. Mr. Napier requested that the mental health language from their resolution, found on the Faculty Senate web page, be incorporated into as many syllabi as possible to spread awareness of CAPS to all students. The SGA voted unanimously to present this request to the Faculty Senate.

Dr. Porter called on Dr. Bill Abrams to report on the Committee on Educational Policy. Dr. Abrams noted that EPC Report posted on the Faculty Senate web page is changed again to include ENGL 265. HPEP 350 will change from three credit hours to two. A vote was taken to approve this change and passed unanimously. It will now go to SCHEV for approval. The Articulation Catalog Policy for transfer credits was revised. It clarifies which credits will transfer and those that will not. The measure passed unanimously. The syllabus change form was hotly debated. The change attempts to standardize course objectives and learning outcomes across course sections

taught by different faculty. It does not intend to decrease academic freedom or dictate teaching styles. A motion was made to return the measure to committee for further review. The measure passed with one no vote recorded. Please send suggestions to Dr. Porter who will forward them to Dr. Abrams for the EPC Committee's consideration.

Dr. Porter opened the floor for discussion regarding the proposed change to the Faculty Senate By-Laws. The change refers to the Faculty Senate Executive Committee membership. There was a discussion on whether or not members should be tenured or tenure track. The proposal stipulates that the Faculty Senate Chair and Vice Chair will be tenured faculty, with other members of the Executive Committee preferably having tenure. Dr. Porter called for a vote. The measure passed unanimously. Final approval of the measure will be voted on at the Spring General Faculty meeting.

Announcements and new business-

Ms. Jennifer Beach introduced Mr. Mark Hamilton, who is a newly hired librarian. On March 27, at 3:30 pm, in the Greenwood Library, Mr. Kyle Courtney, a copyright expert, will speak on the subject.

Dr. Lissa Power de-Fur encouraged all to give more attention to including the mental health language on future syllabi. She expressed an urgent need to move forward on this issue as soon as possible instead of waiting to revisit the issue in the fall.

Dr. Abrams made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Porter adjourned the meeting at 4:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted

Carol Anderson