

Faculty Senate Meeting
Thursday, April 8, 2021, 3:30pm
via Zoom

Dr. JoEllen Pederson called the meeting to order at 3:30pm. The following members were on the call:

Dr. Robert Blaisdell	Dr. Lee Bidwell	Ms. Natalie Browning
Dr. Bill Burger	Dr. Roger Byrne	Dr. Karla Collins
Dr. Scott Cook	Dr. Jackie Daniel	Mr. Ian Danielsen
Mr. Donovan Douglas	Dr. Will Holliday	Dr. Brandon Jackson
Dr. Chris Kukk	Dr. Chris Labosier	Dr. Dina Leech
Dr. Virginia Lewis	Dr. Leigh Lunsford	Dr. Kat McClesky
Dr. Pam McDermott	Dr. Lisa Minor	Dr. Kelly Nelson
Ms. Anne Patterson	Dr. JoEllen Pederson	Dr. Jeannine Perry
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. Bennie Waller	Dr. Kirstin Whitely
Dr. Andrew Yeagley	Teresa Dodson, Recorder	

Also present were Dr. Bill Abrams, Jennifer Beach, Josh Blakely, Dr. Sarai Blincoe, Kathy Charleston, Marcus Christian, Dr. Audrey Church, Dr. Alix Fink, Susan Hines, Lacy Klinger, Dr. Mary Lehman, Dr. Heather Lettner-Rust, Onie McKenzie, Sarah Reynolds, Dr. Sean Ruday, Dr. Marsha Rutledge, Dr. David Shoenthal, Dr. Gena Southall, Dr. Pam Tracy, Deborah Westin, Jim Wiecking, Dr. Wade Znosko

The minutes from the March 11, 2021 Faculty Senate meeting were approved as submitted.

Dr. Bill Abrams presented 2 action items from EPC:

1. [EPC Praxis Proposal S21](#) (passed 22-1-0)
2. [Overlapping Majors and Minors](#) (passed 18-2-5)

Prior to the vote on EPC action item #2 there was a discussion amongst Senators about the reason for the policy.

Action Item #4: [Class Matrix Proposal](#) (passed 23-3-1)

Action Item #5: [FPPM Section III M-BB. Revision of terms](#) (passed 25-0-1)

Action Item #6: [FPPM Section III U and Z. Clarifying language](#) (passed 25-0-0)

Report Item #7: Onie McKenzie presented the [NSSE findings report](#). The report focused on the last three administrations. Early spring semester 2014, 2017 and 2020. Overall the report findings were very positive. The full NSSE reports can be accessed through the Office of Assessment and Institutional Research. All Longwood generated summary reports and handouts can be found within Solomon – by visiting [Student Affairs – Assessment](#)

Discussion Item #8: Using Zoom for continuity of instruction – Dr. Pederson started the discussion by stating that having this discussion is to clear up any confusion about what keeping Zoom means. Using Zoom in the future will look different than what it looked like in the fall of 2020 and Spring of 2021 and the continuity of instruction is important. Dr. Pederson open the floor for discussion. Several senators contributed to the discussion overall offering their departments views on how Zoom could help or hinder the future of instruction. Dr. Pederson encouraged senators to email her with any comments or concerns.

Under Announcements, AAUP – [Why we need a New Deal for Higher Education](#) on Thursday, April 22, 4-5 pm. . Reminder about where to find minutes and reports on the Faculty Senate website. Nominations for Senate Executive Committee for next year, email will follow. [Spring Budget Forum](#) will be on April 20th @ 3:30pm.

Annual Committee Reports are due, email will follow. Dr. Tracy announced the Teaching and Learning Institute will be held on May 20, 2021.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:51pm.

Respectfully,

Teresa Dodson, Recorder