

Minutes  
Faculty Senate Executive Committee  
Monday, February 24, 2020

1. Chair Emily Murphy called the meeting to order at 2:59 p.m. in the Bluestone Room of the Mountainlair.

Members Present:

Andress, L.	Cronin, A.	Hileman, S.	Reed, M.
Bastress, R.	DiBartolomeo, L.	Martucci, A.	Singh-Corcoran, N.
Bernardes, E.	Elliott, E.	Murphy, E.	
Cottrell, L.	Hauser, D.	Nutter, R.	

Members Absent:

Ballard, D.	Gee, G.	Sowards, A.	Veselicky, L.
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Guests:

Gavin, M.	Latimer, M.	Pfeifer, A.	Slimak, L.
Kreider, P.	Neidermeyer, P.	Shannon, R.	Widders, E.

2. Chair Murphy moved for approval of the minutes from the January 27, 2020 meeting. Motion carried.
3. Provost Maryanne Reed reported the following:
  - She provided an update on the dean searches.
  - Mark Gavin provided an update on the search for the Associate Vice President of Institutional Data and Analytics. The AVP will help deliver data-driven decisions supporting student success.
  - TorchStar has been hired to help with retention strategies around the areas of scheduling reform and high enrollment courses with high DFW rates.
  - A Student Success SWAT, co-chaired by Evan Widders and Provost Reed, will be meeting regularly.
  - Paul Kreider discussed the Diversity Hiring Initiative, a pilot program designed to hire and retain racial and ethnic minority faculty.
  - Melissa Latimer reported that an email went out to the 100 faculty of color on campus, inviting them to participate in interviews or focus groups. Their responses are being reviewed to identify consistent themes, unique experiences, and recommendations.
  - A one percent raise pool was released to units.
4. Chair Murphy reported that she is planning a roundtable discussion in April around Faculty Senate's role in the communication process.
5. Ednilson Bernardes, Chair, Senate Curriculum Committee moved for approval of the following reports. Motion carried.

Annex I, New Courses Report.

Annex II, Course Changes, Deactivations, and Adoptions Report.  
Annex III, Capstone Courses Report.  
New Major in Youth and Family Sciences.  
New BA in Anthropology.  
New BA in Criminology.  
New Program in Integrated Marketing Communications.  
Program Changes to Social Studies/Secondary Education.  
Program Changes to the Major in Sustainable Food and Farming.

The following reports were submitted for information. Reports filed.

New Minor in Arts Entrepreneurship.  
New Minor in Insurance.  
Annex IV, Administrative Course Approvals.  
Annex V, Graduate Programs Report.

6. General Education Foundations Committee – no report.
7. Teaching and Assessment Committee – no report.
8. Lesley Cottrell, Chair of the Committee on Committees, Membership, and Constituencies moved for approval of the following report. Motion carried.  
Annex VI, Standing Committee Membership Changes.
9. Roy Nutter, Faculty Representative to State Government, discussed HB 4729, requiring higher education institutions to use previous versions or editions of instructional materials.
10. Board of Governors – no report.
11. The meeting adjourned at 4:09 p.m. to reconvene on Monday, March 23, 2020.

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Office Administrator