

West Virginia University Faculty Senate

Monday, February 14th, 2022

1. The meeting was convened at 3:15 p.m. by Ashley Martucci, Faculty Senate Chair.

Members Present:

Anderson, K.	Dey, K.	Hessl, A.	Martucci, A.	Soccorsi, A.
Armour-Gemmen M.	DiBartolomeo, L.	Hibbert, A.	McCrary, J.	Sofka, S.
Barnes, E.	Dickman, B.	Hileman, S.	McCusker, B.	Sowards, A.
Bastress, R.	Donley, D.	Hines, S.	McGinnis, R.	Staniscia, S.
Battistella, L.	Downes, M.	Hissam, R.	Momen, J.	Swager, L.
Bhandari, R.	Elliott, E.	Hodge, J.	Morgan, J.	Tack, F.
Bolyard, J.	Ellison, M.	Honaker, L.	Myers, S.	Titolo, M.
Bragg, R.	Elswick, D.	Huber, S.	Olfert, M.	Toppe, M
Bresock, K.	Famouri, P.	Hudgins, C.	Orr, E.	Utzman, R.
Bruyaka, O.	Feaster, K.	Kearns, J.	Peckens, S.	Vercelli, M.
Bryner, R.	Frazier, V.	Kelly, K.	Phillips, T.	Waggy, C.
Butina, M.	Fullen, M.	Kitchen, S.	Rice, T.	Watson, J.
Casey, R.	Galvez-Peralta, M.	Kupec, J.	Rinehart, L.	Wayne, S.
Celikbas, E.	Geldenhuis, W.	LaRue, R.	Roberts, D.	Williams, D.
Cohen, S.	Gilleland, D.	Leary, M.	Sabolsky, E.	Woloshuk, J.
Cottrell, L.	Graziani, G.	Leight, M.	Sakhuja, A.	Woods, S.
Crichlow, S.	Grushecky, S.	Li, B.	Samuels, H.	Wuest, T.
Crosno, J.	Hamrick, A.	Li, H.	Sealey, V.	Young, S.
Cui, A.	Hatipoglu, K.	Lorenze, S.	Sims, J.	Zegre, N.
Davari, A.	Hauser, D.	Lupo, J.	Singh-Corcoran, N.	Zeni, T.
Davis, D.	Heady, M.	Marra, A.	Smith, D.	

Members Absent:

Billings, H.	Duenas, O.	Jaczynski, J.	Murray, A.	Schaefer, G.
Bonner, D.	Eades, D.	John, C.	Nguyen, Y.	Schimmel, C.
Bravo, G.	Ellis, E.	Klein, A.	Nix, A.	Sherlock, L.
Burke, R.	Evans, K.	Knuckles, T.	Petrone, A.	Shrader, C.
Burnside, J.	Gross, J.	Law, K.	Reece, J.	Sizemore, J.
Chantler, P.	Harmon, I.	Miltenberger,	Reece, R.	ter Haseborg, H.
Costas, M.	Holbien, M.	M.	Rogers, T.	Welsh, A.
Cronin, A.	Hood, C.	Mucino, V.	Rota, C.	Willard, M.
Dilcher, B.	Hornsby, G.	Murphy, T.		

Faculty Senate Officers Present:

Hauser, D. Hileman, S.
Murphy, E.
Singh-Corcoran, N.

2. Scott Wayne presented for approval the [minutes](#) from the Monday, January 10th, 2022 meeting. Motion carried by unanimous consent.
3. President Gordon Gee reported on the success of Distinguished Scholars Days in increasing the number of honors students at the University. Graduation rates have increased by 10% over the past five years. The University's goal is to have a retention and graduation rate of 90% in the next five years. Sponsored research has doubled over the past five years. WVU has been named one of 120 R1 Research Institute. President Gee gave the floor to Rob Alsop.
4. Rob Alsop, Vice President for Strategic Initiatives, gave an update on the 2022 West Virginia State Legislative Session, including a report on a meeting with Senator Rucker regarding Senate Bill 498.
5. Provost Maryanne Reed reported the following:
 - a. The number of COVID-19 cases at WVU and across the state continues to decline. The University may be relaxing some of its COVID-19 protocols outside of the classroom.
 - b. A petition is circulating among graduate students, asking for greater financial assistance. The Provost's Office is working with graduate students on this issue.
 - c. The Provost's Office has many committees and platforms of communication regarding academic transformation, including the Campus Conversation series. The next Campus Conversation will be February 24th at 11am on the topic of student success and academic advising at the Erickson Alumni Center and virtually.
 - d. Provost Reed thanked the faculty responsible for ensuring WVU's status as an R1 Research Institute.
 - e. Several events will be held in-person this spring, including the Benedum Distinguished Scholars Celebration on March 8th at the Creative Arts Center from 7 to 9pm, a celebration of a long-form scholarship generated in 2021 on April 18th in the Downtown Library from 4 to 6pm, and the 2022 Faculty and Staff Awards on April 20th at Blaney House.
6. Brice Knotts, interim Associate Vice President and Chief Information Officer of ITS, gave an overview of the IT Governance program.
7. Jodi Goodman Ph.D. gave a report on the [WVU Faculty Ombudsperson Office](#) and the resources the office provides for resolving workplace conflict.
8. Rachel Hays, Director of Procure to Pay Operations gave an update on the [Travel Program and the MyTravel platform](#).
9. Evan Widders, Associate Provost for Undergraduate Education, and Rich Staley, EAB, gave an update on the [Student Success and Academic Advising](#) transformation, including graduation and retention goals and how advising is a key aspect of student success.

10. Faculty Senate Chair Ashley Martucci reported that a final Senator ballot, a call for Senate committees, and information on the Chair Elect position will be communicated in the coming days. Additionally, information regarding upcoming events was sent out via email.

11. Robin Hissam, Chair of the Curriculum Committee, presented [Annex II](#), Course Changes Report for approval. The motion to approve Annex II with modifications carried by a vote of 65 to 0.

a. Dr. Hissam presented the following reports for approval. Motion carried by a vote of 64 to 0.

i. [Annex I](#), New Courses Report

ii. For Approval – Program Change (Program Code: CPS_BS, Title: Coaching and Performance Science, Key: 462)

For Approval – Program Change (Program Code: CPS_AS_AOE, Title: Applied Sport Science, Key: 1172) For Approval – Program Change (Program Code: CPS_CL_AOE, Title: Coaching and Leadership, Key: 1170)

For Approval – Program Change (Program Code: CPS_SC_AOE, Title: Strength and Conditioning, Key: 1171)

For Approval – Program Change (Program Code: ECONOMICS_BA, Title: Economics, Key: 324)

For Approval – Program Change (Program Code: HWB_BA, Title: Health and Well-Being, Key: 592)

For Approval – Program Change (Program Code: HWB_BS, Title: Health and Well-Being, Key: 1141)

For Approval – Program Change (Program Code: HWB_FIT_AOE, Title: Fitness, Key: 1169)

For Approval – Program Change (Program Code: HWB_RS_AOE, Title: Recreational Sport, Key: 1002) For Approval – Program Change (Program Code: HWB_TER_AOE, Title: Therapeutic Exercise and Rehabilitation, Key: 1168)

For Approval – New Program (Program Code: NEW_TBD, Title: Applied Ethics (minor), Key: 1369)

For Approval – New Program (Program Code: NEW_TBD, Title: Art and Design (BFA), Key: 1332)

For Approval – Program Change (Program Code: PHYS_BA, Title: Physics, Key: 152)

For Approval – Program Change (Program Code: PTP_MIN, Title: Physical Training & Performance, Key: 263)

For Approval – Program Change (Program Code: SEP_BS, Title: Sport and Exercise

Psychology, Key: 464) For Approval – Program Change (Program Code: SM_BS, Title: Sport Management, Key: 465)

iii. [Annex III](#), Graduate Council Report

12. Marina Galvez-Peralta, Chair of the Teaching and Assessment Committee, reported on mid-semester feedback surveys.

13. Ann Marie Hibbert, Chair of the Committee on Committees, Membership and Constituencies, presented Annex IV, Committee Appointments, for approval. The motion to approve [Annex IV](#) carried by a vote of 65 to 0.

14. Eloise Elliott, Faculty Representative to State Government, reported on the ACF meeting on February 4th and ACF's discussions on Senate Bill 498, campus carry, and other legislative issues.

15. Stan Hileman, Board of Governors Representative, reported on the Finance Committee meeting on February 8th. Committee meetings will be held on Thursday, February 17th, and a public Board of Governors meeting will be held on Friday, February 18th.

16. Tracey Beckley presented [Annex V](#), No Cost, Low Cost, and OER materials, for information.

17. New Business - none.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:27 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Sophia Flower _____
Sophia Flower, Recording Secretary