

Approved via e-mail ballot

Faculty Senate Meeting

Thursday, August 10, 2017

Lumpkin Center - President's Room

Members Present: Samuel Abegaz, Rajeev Dabke, Michael Dentzau, Sherika Derico, Natalie Higgins, Patrick Jackson, Michelle Jones, Krystal Kennel, Yuichiro Komatsu, Tesa Leonce, Ellen Martin, Laurence Marsh, Clay Nicks, David Owings, Yesem Peker, Amanda Rees, Clifton Ruehl, Brian Schwartz, Neal Thomson, Joy Thomas, Rosa Williams

Members absent with notice: Vanessa Hicks, Paul Luft, Chris McCollough, Jennifer Newbrey, Andrew Puckett, Kevin Whalen

Members absent without notice: James Ogburn

Guests Present: Chris Markwood, Tina Butcher, Aisha Adams, Sheryl Bernardo-Hinesley, Alicia Bryan, Adrienne Craig, John Finley, Mark Flynn, Deirdre Greer, Linda Hadley, Frank Hardyman, Tim Howard, Susan Hrach, Mariko Izumi, Ann Klinkenborg, John Lester, Mark Lott, John McElveen, Chip Reese, Ellen Roberts, Dennis Rome, Kim Shaw, Gina Sheeks, Glenn Stokes, Amy Thornton, Cindy Ticknor, Brian Tyo, Jeanine Wert

- I. Call to order at 10:00 AM
- II. President's comments and announcements (TIME STAMP 00:00:16)
 - a. At the Recent Board of Regents meeting, the Board did approve new rules, guidelines, and processes for investigating and adjudicating sexual assault issues for both students and faculty and staff.
 - i. CSU will be revising policies and procedures to come in line with the new system guidelines and implementing them as soon as possible.
 - b. The Provost Search Committee will be meeting on Friday, August 11, to discuss the process and how to move forward as expeditiously and thoroughly as possible.
 - c. Question and further discussion on the new sexual assault policy.
- III. Provost's comments and announcements (TIME STAMP (00:04:10)
 - a. Summary of comments available at the end of the minutes
 - b. Approximately 8,300 students registered for fall
 - c. All faculty is encouraged to work with students adding courses late during the first week of classes

- i. Dustin Worsley, from ACE, left CSU over the summer. Lisa Shaw and her staff will be available to assist any students who need assistance adding courses.
 - d. The most current version of the Strategic Plan is available at the link provided:
<https://www.columbusstate.edu/strategicplan/docs/Strategic-Plan-Draft-Aug 8 2017.pdf>.
 - i. Gina Sheeks and the Provost will be discussing the plan at next month's Faculty Senate Meeting.
 - e. Thirty-one new faculty members will be joining CSU this fall. They will be recognized at the Faculty Meeting this afternoon at 3pm at the Legacy Hall in the RiverCenter for the Performing Arts on the RiverPark campus. Individuals who received promotion and/or tenure will also be recognized at this meeting.
 - f. First Year Convocation is Thursday, August 25th at 12pm in University Hall auditorium.
 - g. There are QEP workshops scheduled for this semester. Please address any questions to Mariko Izumi.
 - h. Melody Shumaker is the point of contact for First Year Convocation and this year's Common Reading.
 - i. Online Learning update presented by Ellen Roberts:
 - i. Information available on the COOL website under training and professional development.
 - ii. The following is required for those who teach online or online hybrid classes: CougarView Training, Quality Matters Training, and Accessibility Workshops
 - iii. CSU is starting to use a common template across the university for online and online hybrid classes. Next fall we will be phasing it in for all online courses.
 - j. Question and Discussion about course availability and class capacity.
- IV. Executive Officer's comments and announcements (TIME STAMP 00:12:51)
 - a. Welcome
 - b. Alternates from all colleges have been asked to attend all Faculty Senate Meetings.
 - c. Laurence Marsh is the new chair of the Faculty Senate Committee on Committees.
 - i. Committee membership must be followed by what is outlined by the Faculty Senate. It cannot be changed without the permission of the Senate.
 - d. The President has signed the Work Load policy, which was approved by the Senate in May, and it is now an official policy.
- V. Old Business (TIME STAMP 00:15:30)

- a. Promotion, Tenure, and Other Faculty Evaluation Policies and Procedures - Ellen Roberts (joined by Tim Howard and Brian Tyo)
 - i. Version 20 presented to the Senate this morning
 - ii. Call for questions and discussion (TIME STAMP 00:19:57)
 1. There was discussion regarding page number 11: Item number 3: bullet point 4.
 2. Move to approve the document: Clay Nicks, Second: Patrick Jackson
 3. Move to amend the document at the above mentioned page number 11: Item number 3: bullet point 4: Brian Schwartz, Second: Clay Nicks
 4. Proposed amendment – To bullet point 4 on page 11 which reads: *“If during the meeting concerns or issues arise that need further clarification, the meeting will be temporarily halted and the dean or designee (which may be an assistant dean or member of the dean’s office) asked to join the meeting to determine how to proceed”*. Add to the end of the bullet point: *“A faculty member who is unable to render an objective decision may excuse him or herself from further discussion and the voting of an individual applicant.”*
 5. Further discussion on the proposed amendment
 6. Move to end debate: Clay Nicks, Second: Neal Thomson
 7. VOTE: 22/0/0 – Motion to end debate passes
 8. Motion to approve the Amendment as stated: *“A faculty member who is unable to render an objective decision may excuse him or herself from further discussion and the voting of an individual applicant.”*
 9. VOTE: 0/18/2 – Proposed amendment does not pass
 10. Amendment proposed by Brian Schwartz: *“An affirmative vote from a majority of those participating in the committee meeting is required for the vote to be considered a positive recommendation. Likewise, a non-affirmative vote from a majority of those participating in the committee meeting is required for the vote to be considered a negative recommendation. If there is not a majority either affirmative or non-affirmative, the application will go to the next level of review without a recommendation from the committee.”*
 11. Further Discussion
 12. Move to table discussion: Michael Dentzau, Second: Sherika Derico
 13. VOTE: 13/7/0 – Motion to table discussion passes

- iii. Executive Officer, Ellen Martin, asks the Senate to look at the document, particularly the items in red before the next meeting. All questions and/or recommendations need to be addressed to Ellen by August 17, 2017.
- iv. Reminder from the Provost that we are out of compliance with System Policy.

VI. New Business (TIME STAMP 01:17:22)

- a. Suggestion to form a Senate sub-committee on Faculty Affairs
 - i. President Markwood strongly encourages this type of Shared Governance.
 - ii. Move to constitute the sub-committee: Amanda Rees, Second: Michael Dentzau
 - iii. The executive committee will draft a proposal for the committee's charge and membership requirements.
 - iv. Motion to create a Faculty Affairs sub-committee, through the work of the executive committee.
 - v. VOTE: 22/0/0 – Motion to form a Faculty Affairs sub-committee passes

VII. Other Items (TIME STAMP 01:24:02)

- a. Campus Carry - Mark Lott
 - i. This law went into effect on July 1, 2017. The law states that in Georgia, on our University System campuses, if you are a licensed permit holder, you are granted a carry license. This is a concealed carry license, not an open carry license.
 - ii. Those that choose to bring a gun onto campus should have it in such a manner that it does not solicit alarm, draw attention, or otherwise be prominently displayed in a manner in which the public knows that they are carrying it.
 - iii. The law describes where a gun can be carried on campus.
 - iv. It is the permit holder's responsibility to know if there are dual enrolled students in the classroom.
 - 1. Through the work of UITS, each student can now check a link on his or her schedule to indicate dual enrolled classes.
 - v. There was further discussion and questions answered on Campus Carry.

VIII. End of Meeting (TIME STAMP 01:54:28)