

Approved @ MAY 6, 2019, Faculty Senate Meeting

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Faculty Senate Meeting
 Monday, April 1, 2019
 RiverPark Student Activities Center
 3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Members Present:

COLS (9)	COA (5)	COBCS (4)	COEHP (5)	Library (2)
Andrew Puckett (19) Ryan Lynch (21) Jennifer Newbrey (20) Eliot Rendleman (21) Diana Riser (19)	Joseph Girard (21) Natalie Higgins (20) Chris McCollough (19) James Ogburn (19) Stephanie Patterson (21) Alternate Senator: Nicholas McMillan	Phillip Bryant (21) Tesa Leonce (19) Alternate Senator: Lydia Ray	Sherika Derico (19) Vanessa Hicks (21) Saoussan Maarouf (21) Ellen Martin (19) Heather McKeen (21) Alternate Senator: Alicia Bryan	Paul Luft (20) David Owings (21)

Ex Officio Members Present: Dr. Markwood, Dr. Bordelon

Members Absent with notice: Samuel Abegaz (20); Rajeev Dabke (19); Rania Hodhod (21)

Members Absent without notice: Richard Stephens (21); Rosa Williams (20); Laurence Marsh (19)

I. Call to order 3:05pm

II. President's comments and announcements - Chris Markwood: Visit to Spencer house; Legislative session report, good session for USG, budget has cleared, contains full funding for the growth formula, approved 2% merit pool, for state employees, would fund 50% pool of salary because some positions are not funded by state funds, call for questions, full funding for library renovation; retirement systems is another issue to be dealt with in the future, i.e., underfunding; April 2, President, Tom Helton, and others of the leadership team in ATL to present for various funding on where we're headed as an institution in the USG; system presidents' meeting report, health care is an issue for system, there are parts of the provision of health care raising red flags, more intrusive discussions about what we do, and what our families do with regards to health, student debt was another major topic among the presidents' conversation, problem is taking out max of loan instead of what they need just for school and support of education, we are going to be more deliberate about offer letters and repayment costs, improve communication on award letters, momentum year was a big topic and major driver for USG, mandated to run tests on the program mapping, need to offer courses students have to have vs courses we want to teach. Coach Howard has taken coaching job at GA Southern.

III. Provost's comments and announcements – Deborah Bordelon: Update on searches, HR director begins today; AVP search for faculty affairs should have closure in next week or so; college of Arts dean search still in process; university library search inviting candidates; GA inventures competition, watch live broadcast invitation, applause for Lydia Ray and others who have facilitated the project; library renovations, FFE (furnitures, fixtures, equipment) moving forward with budget, no cut, no changes in plan, all floors will be addressed,

A. Graduation Security Measures - Steve Morse/Mark Lott presentation on new bag check protocol. Explained the details of the new process and explained that other elements will be implemented in stages. Lydia Ray had questions about open and

closed carry aspect, Nicholas McMillan asked about faculty being searched. Ellen Martin asked about bag size; James Ogburn asked about how this new policy will be communicated;

- B. Craig Burgess update on conflict of interest form on general counsel web page. The form has been updated on the general counsel website. Ryan Lynch asked about the rational of threshold. James Ogburn asked about completing forms to cover multiple opportunities. Natalie Higgins asked if departments can create their own forms. President reiterates that this is a test of what does and does not work within the system. We are working ahead before system has its own form. Ryan Lynch appreciates trying to adhere to system policy, but can we have a form standing arrangements. Please listen to audio for the back and forth detail among visitors and faculty senators.
- IV. Executive Officer's comments and announcements – Chris McCollough
 - A. Elections - Executive Committee and Elected Committee Roles are Open Encouraged senators to share opportunities to serve on senate.
 - B. Waiting on Some Bylaws, but early returns have been good.
- V. Student Government Association Report – Chris Oswald Working on SGA bylaws
- VI. Staff Council Report – Lashica Thomas Professional development day, working on mixed faculty and staff development
- VII. Approval of Faculty Senate March Meeting Minutes - Eliot Rendleman Motion to approve the minutes passes
- VIII. Standing Committee Reports*
 - A. SRACE - Tom Ganzevoort Alicia Bryan asked about the amounts for undergrad and grads. One issue is giving more applicants less money, or give more money to less applicants. Explained the two applications, for travel and for research. Emphasized it's supplementary funding for other funding. \$25K was augmented by provost's office by \$10K. Divided equally between fall and spring. Joseph Girard requested update to the website for transparency and clarity, for example, that it's a reimbursement grant.
 - B. Administrator Evaluations - Tom Ganzevoort Met previous week. Surveys are built, labeled, ready to go. Next week should be receiving survey links for admin evaluations. Will disseminate quantitative data to faculty, not qualitative data.
 - C. Faculty Development – Bobby Nixon Adopted bylaws and sent forward to faculty senate. Several other activities were listed, for example, about sabbatical and grants.
 - D. General Education – Eliot Rendleman Two recommendations were made by Ryan Lynch and Ellen Martin, the gist: A) Dissolve GEN ED as a part of FS and make it a subcommittee of UCC; B) Make UCC a part of FS and have gen ed work as a subcommittee that way.
 - E. Senate Budget Committee — Nicholas McMillan Report on last two meetings, regarding responsibilities of the cmte. Two items came out the meeting, how to spend surplus money: faculty senate and marketing. President offered reminders that end of the year money is not surplus. Welcomes recommendations from the cmte. Has difficulty seeing $\frac{1}{3}$ going to FS. Lists problems with giving money to senate. Frank Hardymon clarified a better timeline for including the senate budget committee. Provost's asks that recommendations goes through her office.
 - F. National Scholarship - Written - Ben Blair
- IX. Action Item(s) for the Senate
 - A. National Scholarship Committee proposed the change of name: National Scholarship and Awards Committee, Center for Global Engagement as ex officio, and

add faculty to committee who would represent national awards for their disciplines.
Motion to accept 3 items listed passes.

B. This and the following items are tabled until next meeting. Faculty Senate Bylaws for Approval - Gen Ed

- X. Updates and New Items for Discussion:
 - A. Salary Study, Faculty Admin Posts, Promotion Raises – Hardyman
 - B. Archiving of Senate Materials - Owings
- XI. Other Items

*Senate Committees are asked to present a report on a schedule each month. Unless noted as a presentation to Senate, each chair has submitted a report for advanced review, and will be in attendance for questions from the Senate and others in attendance. All reports and materials will be submitted 3 business days prior to meeting to allow for substantive review.