

# MINUTES OF THE FACULTY SENATE MEETING MARCH 31, 2021

**PRESENT:** Faculty Senate Leadership R. Krebs, G. Dyer, and R. Carnell; Faculty Senators

Distinguished Faculty Awards in Research. The Distinguished Faculty Awards in Service were presented to Dr. Ashutosh Dixit (Marketing) and Dr. Julia Phillips (Counseling). The Provost Teaching Award for non-tenure track faculty was awarded to Ms. Kimberly Ruggeri (Marketing).

## V. Report of the President of the University

Harlan Sands

President Sands expressed enthusiasm for the ambitious CSU 2.0 blueprint, which he described as a comprehensive plan that will be able to help lead the university forward into the future. He mentioned the in-person outdoor commencement at Progressive Field, for which HUD Director, Marcia Fudge will be the afternoon ceremony speaker. He also acknowledged the success of the vaccination effort at Wolstein, for which many local citizens have expressed their gratitude. He announced his expectation for an on-campus experience for 80-90% of classes next fall. He

released a statement condemning the recent hate crimes against the APIDA community. SGA is working on a thank-you campaign for Faculty Senate

### XII. Report of Graduate and Professional Student Assn.

Cody Orahoske

GPSA president Orahoske reported on a crowdfunding effort for Café A Roma and an initiative to offer graduating students the opportunity to receive a professional photo for their social media platforms. The GPSA is continuing tabling efforts, co-hosted with the SGA, and hopes to engage more graduate level students. He reported that the GPSA is currently looking for a new faculty advisor, volunteers are asked to contact him.

# XIII. Update on ASC 101: Introduction to University Life and Benefits of Participation

Sarah Pankratz

Ms. Pankratz, Manager, First Year Experience, described the new approach to the 1-credit interlocutory class for all first-year students. She urged faculty to volunteer to teach a section, particularly one that is created as a major-specific section. The deadline for faculty to apply to teach for the fall semester is April 12.

A question was asked about the feedback loop for assessing the success of this program, which Ms. Pankratz explained was thorough and ongoing.

### XIV. Question Time

Questions were posed about the RFP for outsourcing health care, particularly the potential effect of such outsourcing on graduate students training through those programs. VP Forrest Faison spoke to the importance of reliable swift access for students all year round, which requires a variable level of staffing for different seasons of the year. He also addressed the need for regular hospital rotations and professional development for medical staff, as well as better access for students who need to be referred to local hospitals. He pointed out that an RFP is a way of determining possibilities that would improve our current student health services. In response to a question about faculty participation, he said that a committee including faculty would be convened once proposals arrive. A faculty member also pointed out the importance of involving relevant faculty now, while the RFP is currently being revised.

#### XV. New Business

Senator Carnell introduced the following motion, which was seconded by Senator W. Bowen:

I move that on April 28, 2021, Senate vote on the general acceptability of the college reorganization proposal in the CSU 2.0 document that was distributed on 3.26

An amendment was moved Senator Krebs, seconded by Senator Forte

This amendment deleted the words in bold from the above motion:

I move that on April 28, 2021, Senate vote on the general acceptability of the [college reorganization proposal in the] CSU 2.0 document that was distributed on 3.26

The amendment passed by one vote in zoom poll vote of 19 to 18.

The Amended motion passed by 32 to 4 in a zoom poll vote.

A new motion was introduced by Senator Ekelman to bring a separate vote in Senate on the initial motion by Senator Carnell. This passed by a zoom poll vote of 29 to 5, with only voting senators casting votes. This is the wording of the motion that passed:

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Senator Ekelman next prosed another motion, which passed by voice vote:

I move that the April 28 votes on CSU 2.0 and the included college reorganization be performed by the Zoom poll function, as a "secret ballot" with names available only to the Senate coordinator to verify that only senators have voted.

### XVI. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:48.

Respectfully submitted,

APPROVED ON APRIL 28, 2021

Professor Rachel Carnell Senate Recording Secretary