

FACULTY SENATE—MEETING MINUTES
April 26, 2023, Fenn Tower Ballroom Third Floor
3:00pm

PRESENT: **Faculty Senate Officers** A. Kumar and A. Smith; **Faculty Senators** J. Ausherman, E. Avram, D. Davisson, G. Dyer, K. Fuller, J. Gatica, T. Guzman, C. Heyward, W. Kellogg, J. Kilbane, R. Krebs, S. Kumar, K.H. Mansour, J. Marino, B. McClain, P. McGinty, A. O'Connor, C. Olszewski, H. Pearson, T. Porter, A. Price, R. Raimer, J. Sawicki, A. Severson, D. Smith, J. Sola, A. Sonstegard, R. Whitbred; **Corresponding Members** L. Bloomberg, N. Sridhar, R. Carnell, H. Meier, R. Schoephoerster, S. Zachariah, K. Neuendorf, N. Faisal, and C. Orahoske; **Ex Officio Limited Members** J. Jenkins, K. Mueller, L. Quinn, and M. Schultz-Bergin, B. Walton

OTHERS

PRESENT: Zoom indicated a peak of 58 participants.

I. Approval of the Agenda for the April 26, 2023 Meeting

Senate President Kumar called the meeting to order at 3:01pm, noting that a quorum was present. He announced that item XIII on the agenda would be moved to accommodate Dr. Walton's teaching scheduled; the agenda was approved.

II. Approval of the Minutes

Senator Neuendorf asked for an additional statement to be added to the March 29, 2023 minutes under the Provost's report; the added statement is now included in the minutes:

Columbus Dispatch, “Bill is ‘a dumpster fire’ that threatens to incinerate free speech’ at Ohio’s colleges.”

The Faculty Senate office will be facilitating elections to a few committees, more information will be sent as soon as the ballots and online forms are available. The Academic Steering Committee met on April 19 and made committee appointments for 2023-2024; communication regarding committee assignments will be sent out as soon as possible, Dr. Kumar reported.

IV. Graduation, Convocation, and Assembly Committee, B. Michael Walton

Decision Item: Commencement Schedule- Changing Fall Commencement schedule from Sunday to

government or American history by all students can potentially cost about 2-2.5 mln to implement. The fiscal note captures both short-term and long-term expenses.

- **University Budget** - University CFO, David Jewell, and his team continue to build an outline of the FY 2024 budget document. The team finished budget hearings with all deans and vice presidents. The administration tries to finalize the college realignment to make sure all colleges have their budgets. On June 1 a budget report will be issued to highlight what will be funded based on the requests from the deans. At this point the revised budget requests are collected. Mostly the requests for one-time rather than long-term funding will be granted.
- **Other Financial Updates--** The books were closed in mid-April to finish the third quarter fiscal report. The Senate Budget and Finance Committee is expecting to receive updates on the third quarter financials at the next PFAC meeting on May 2.

XII. Committee on Athletics

Faculty athletics representative, Dr. Rob Kleidman, presented information on his role and NCAA requirements, organizational responsibilities and opportunities, regular meetings, academic integrity, CSU Student Athlete Academic Performance, institutional control, student athlete well-being, and more. Subsequent to the meeting, the full presentation was distributed to the Faculty Senate. (**Report No. 40, 2022-2023**)

XIII. Committee on E-Learning, Carole Heyward

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- Teach week is upcoming and he thanked faculty who opened up their classrooms for visitors.
- There is a scheduled celebration for faculty excellence—please plan to attend and support your colleagues.

XV. SGA, Nina Faisal

SGA President Faisal reminded Senate that the SGA has included in its Constitution that,
“ARTICLE III- Section 17. One CSU instructor shall serve as the Faculty Representative to the SGA Senate. This individual shall be selected by the CSU Faculty Senate but does not need to be a member of said body. The faculty representative shall serve in an ex-officio capacity to the SGA Senate, without voting privileges, but with full speaking rights at Senate Meetings. The term of office shall correspond with that of the SGA Senate.”

She also reported on SGA resolutions regarding dining halls and SB 83, along with survey results for RTA UPass, Mental health resources on campus, and syllabi availability. (**Report No. 41, 2022-2023**)

XVI. Question Time

Senator Ausherman asked for an update on the CSU Veteran & Military Success Center – Viking Vets.

XVII. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:41pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

APPROVED ON SEPTEMBER 13, 2023