# ASU Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes 3 p.m., February 26, 2020; UC 203–204

Crystal Kreitler President PSY	х	Rozena McCabe Vice President KIN	x	William Taylor Secretary SSCJ	х	Twyla Tasker Parliamentarian C&l	x
Lee Atkins PT	x	Anthony Bartl PSCI/PHL	x	Alfred Beccera NURS (Clin)		Jennifer Braziel NURS	х
Jay Brown HSP	x	David Faught ENG/LANG	x	Mark Hama	х	Larry Hettick M&M	х
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Vincent Mangano AEF	x	Nick Negovetich BIO	x	Aldo Pinon- Villarreal CIV ENG		Lopa Roychoudhuri CS	х
Christopher Shar SW	х	Andrew Siefker MATH	x	Matt Shipes VPA-Music		Marva Solomon T.Ed.	
Ralph Zehnder CHEM	х						

Call to Order @ 3:00 p.m.

# I. Invited Guests

- A. Dr. Brian May, President not present
- B. Dr. Don Topliff, Provost and VP for Academic Affairs not present
- C. Dr. Javier Flores, VP for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management not present
- D. Christopher Houston, Staff Senate President not present
- E. Austin Habecker, Student Senate President not present
- F. Dr. John Wegner, Dean of Freshman College present
  - i. JW discussed Acadeum pilot program starting in second eight weeks and summer sessions. The goal is to help ASU students make progress toward graduation. Acadeum uses unfilled seats in SACS-COC consortium classes, which when completed successfully get transcripted as ASU courses. The pilot program is for a very small group, likely 15 to 20 students. Students must have a compelling reason to participate. By Spring or Fall 2021, the ASU goal is to become a sending institution through Acadeum based on the pilot program.

# **II. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting**

Approved

### **III.** Announcements

- A. CK announced that due to the resignation from ASU of a faculty senate member WT will fill the roles of Faculty Senate Secretary and Chair of the University Affairs Committee this semester.
- B. The April Faculty Senate meeting will include the President's address and will be held on April 15 in MCS 100 at 3:00 p.m. The Faculty Senate will host a coffee social beginning at 2:30 p.m.

#### **IV. Standing Committee Reports**

A. Academic Affairs (Dr. Mark Hama)

i. No report

B. Bylaws and Standing Rules (Dr. Andrew Siefker)

i. No report

C. University Affairs (Dr. William Taylor)

i. No report

D. Student Affairs (Dr. David Faught)

i. No report

E. External Affairs (Dr. Matt Shipes)

i. No report

- F. Committee on Committees (Dr. Rozie McCabe)
  - RM will send out the request for faculty preferences for committees next month. In addition, there are two new committees: Academic Drop and Withdrawal Committee and Provost's Scholar Program, which has the intent to allow faculty to request course release for research.

## V. Unfinished Business

- A. Faculty Responsibilities and Duties (OP 06.14)
  - i. CK noted that the Faculty Senate continues to examine OP 06.14. The goal is to have recommended language ready next month. Please send any recommendations for this OP to MH.
- B. Bookstore Ad Hoc Committee Update
  - DF updated the Faculty Senate regarding the recent survey on bookstore. There were 142 respondents with a wide spectrum of positions. HL provided useful data analysis, categorization, and recommended actions from the responses. DF met with bookstore staff and conveyed results of survey and major recommendations to improve the process based on feedback from the survey. If faculty members plan to use OER, please convey this to the bookstore.
- C. Workload Calculation (OP 06.02)

- i. WT noted that the University Affairs Committee members have worked very hard on this OP and sought to clarify language for #6 and added #11. CK sent OP 06.02 with recommended revisions highlighted in red to Faculty Senate for review by senators and their constituencies.
- D. Faculty Awards
  - i. WT reported that the initial call for nominations for faculty awards went out on January 29. Three subsequent reminders went out on February 17, 21, and 24, respectively. WT reminded senators that the final deadline is Friday, March 6, and encouraged senators and their constituents to participate. WT also requested any professional faculty photos for inclusion in the slideshow for the Faculty Recognition Dinner no later than two weeks prior to the dinner on April 30.
- E. Faculty Select Committee Update
  - i. CK updated the Faculty Senate on the Faculty Select Committee. The Provost has formed the committee and given it a charge. The Faculty Select Committee is currently setting dates for its initial meeting and will provide the first step toward revising OP 06.23 per the process outlined on p. 12 of that OP. Once the Faculty Select Committee finishes its work, it will forward its recommendations to the Faculty Senate for further action.

## VI. New Business

- A. Registrar Request for New Field (Nicknames)
  - i. CK reported that this request has been taken to the Provost and President, and the Registrar is looking into how to implement. The Faculty Senate President and Registrar are continuing to work toward creating a new field for nicknames.

## VII. Roundtable

- A. RM attended the Texas Council of Faculty Senates and reported on information received there from other institutions, including turnover in higher education in Texas, tenure and promotion, enrollment, and university organizations.
- B. TT announced that the College of Education is hosting a Food for Thought brown bag lecture series.
- C. SL reported History Department concerns with support and time for creating new online courses for core courses and recommended finding broader models for successfully doing so.
- D. MH noted the 24th Annual ASU Writers Conference on March 5 and 6 with Laila Lalami, finalist for the Pulitzer Prize and winner of the American Book Award.

## VIII. Adjournment – 4:10 p.m.