

FACULTY SENATE MEETING

May 11, 2016

3:30pm-5:00pm

Grand Reading Room

Present:	D. Boerth	J. Blitefield	E. Carreiro	
	D. Borim	J. Edwards	G. Fay	
	M. Guo	S. Jenkins	A. Klobucka	
	W. Leblanc	K. Miraglia	K. Mofford	
	Z. Msangi	N. O'Connor	G. O'Rielly	
	Z. Painter	A. Revell	F. Scarano	
	K. Saltman	D. Roscoe	M. Schuler	
	G. Silva	J. Sobczak	I. Valova	
	G. Wang			
	Absent:	M. Anderson	T. Boone	Y. Chen
C. Curran		B. Dong	R. Flanagan	
M. Goodman		K. Gulbrandsen	A. Hausknecht	
S. Krumholz		R. Laoulache	J. Li	
S. Macrine		Y. Magrass	V. Mendes	
J. Mistler		J. Mora	S. Ordoobadi	
S. Raidy-Klein		N. Rubien	A. Tandon	
C. Wang		J. Wang	E. Winiarz	
J. Wu		Y. Zuo		
Guests:		R. Peck	J. Riley	T. Burton
	M. Bilek	K. Christopher	A. Costa	T. Walker
	M. Hall	R. Bala	K. Christopher	M. Holloway
	A. Tio	S. Pacheco	M. Karim	G. de Sa
	M. Carrera	W. Malenfant	T. Meressi	P. Helm
	S. Parayitam	J. Zanella-Litke		

1. Call to Order
2. Recognition of Emeritus Professors

Chancellor Helm announced the Emeritus Professors:

Professor Linsun Cheng
Professor Rick Golen
Charles McNeil
Professor Tony Miraglia

3. Approval of the Minutes from April 14, 2016

Motion by Nancy O'Connor
Seconded: Wayne Leblanc

Monica Schuler was present at April 14, 2016 (amended minutes for 4/14/16)

4. Election of Senate Officers
Election results:

President: Doug Roscoe
Secretary: Open
Steering Committee Members:
Humanities: Anna Klobucka
Social Science Council: Andrew Revell
Natural Science Council: Nancy O'Connor
Business Senate Council: Cathy Curran
Engineering Senate Council: Amit Tandon
Nursing Senate Council: Monika Schuler
Visual and Performing Arts Senate Council: Kathy Miraglia
Librarians Senate Council: Kari Mofford
SMAST/ Education/Law Senate Council

5. President's Report

Doug talked about the voting procedures.

6. Provost's Report

- There are 4 finalists for the Dean of CVPA.
- Thomas Stubblefield is the new director of the Office of Faculty Development (OFD).
- Provost commended Glaucia Silva for her 3 years of service as OFD director.
- He also reported that credit hours for CVPA degrees have been slightly reduced.

7. University Budget Report (Mary Louise Nunes, Associate Vice Chancellor for Finance)

-Mary Louise Nunes gave a handout entitled “Financial Information.” All of the changes are outlined in this handout.

-Mary Louise Nunes reported that there is no longer any CSF (curriculum support fee). These fees will now be built into tuition.

- All waivers will now be known as a “credit” instead of a waiver.
- Enrollment increase of .89 %
- There is a 4% increase in undergraduate tuition.
- The remainder of this information is in the pdf provided.

8. Motion Related to the Review of the Center for Portuguese Studies and Culture

Anna Klobucka read the motion that was included in the email (with the agenda) from Doug Roscoe’s email in advance of the May 11th Faculty Senate Meeting.

Anna added that several members of the Executive Board from the Center were present at the meeting.

Glaucia Silva seconded the motion.

Grant O’Rielly asked a question about the review and who served as reviewers.

Anna Klobucka wanted to make clear that the faculty who are a part of the Center are also involved in the community. She thought that there was a false divide, in that these faculty also engage with the community.

Shannon Jenkins inquired as to what the next step was if the motion was to be affirmed.

- Motion was shortened and amended:
 - That the Faculty Senate reaffirm the principle of strong faculty governance of academic centers at UMass Dartmouth and recommend the continuation of faculty governance of the Center for Portuguese Studies and Culture through the maintenance of the CPSC Executive Board in its present constituted form.
- Ken Saltman asked about the process for reviewing centers. Ken asked if Jen Riley might speak about the review process that was used.
- Jen Riley said that she thinks the report speaks for itself. She said that the committee was in consensus about the review.
- Tim Walker wanted to clarify that this Center was originally founded in 1996. He pointed out that since the inception of the Center that there are very unique MA

and Ph.D. programs. One problem is that there was not full participation in the self-study and that the documents were created by the Center director.

- Sonia Pacheco commented that this report has faults.
- Jen Riley said that there was an error in the report about the archives. She added that the report was written from the information provided in the self-study and the information from the focus groups.

Faculty Senate voted and the motion carried.

9. Discussion of Academic Policy on Credit Hour Requirements for Majors

-SFAC

-Jerry Blitefield asked a question about credits and credit reallocation.

-Shannon Jenkins brought this up, and she talked about substituting courses across programs.

-Magali said that as long as another methods course would be accepted (e.g. Economics methods instead of Political Science methods...)

Motion

- Departments will be allowed to accept other courses (as substitutions for required courses) from other majors or minors if the courses are equivalent--pending NEASC approval.

-Motion carried.

- Magali Carrera offered to check with NEASC about this issue.

10. Other Business

The Provost wanted to acknowledge Dean Adrian Tio's service as CVPA dean.

Shannon Jenkins made a motion to adjourn.

Andrew Revell seconded the motion.

Meeting closed.