

UMass Dartmouth Faculty Senate

Minutes, October 18, 2016

Senators Present:

	Present		Present		Present
Michael Anderson		Anna Klobucka	X	Susan Raidy-Klein	X
Jerry Blitefield	X	Susan Krumholz	X	Andrew Revell	
Donald Boerth	X	Raymond Laoulache		Doug Roscoe	X
Tom Boone		Wayne LeBlanc	X	Nathan Rubien	
Dario Borim		Julia Li		Kenneth Saltman	X
Eileen Carreiro		Sheila Macrine	X	Frank Scarano	X
Yanlai Chen	X	Yale Magrass		Monika Schuler	X
Cathy Curran	X	Victor Mendes		Glaucia Silva	X
Bo Dong		Kathy Miraglia	X	Janet Sobczak	X
James Edwards		James Mistler		Amit Tandon	X
Gavin Fay	X	Kari Mofford		Iren Valova	X
Rebecca Flanagan	X	Jose Mora		Cheng Wang	X
Michael Goodman	X	Ziddi Msangi		Gang Wang	X
Karen Gulbrandsen	X	Nancy O'Connor		Jing Wang	
Maolin Guo		Sharon Ordoobadi		Elizabeth Winiarz	X
Adam Hausknecht	X	Grant O'Rielly		Jia Wu	
Shannon Jenkins	X	Zachary Painter	X	Yuegang Zuo	

Guests:

Mary Louise Nunes
 Joao Paraskeva
 Tesfay Meressi
 Mohammad Karim
 Magali Carrera
 Amy Shapiro

Robert Peck
 Ram Bala
 Alfa Heryudono
 Saeja Kim
 Paul Bacdayan
 Angappa Gunasekaran

Michelle Cheyne
 Kimberly Christopher
 David Milstone
 Chan Du
 Michael Hayes

1. The meeting was convened at 3:34 pm by Doug Roscoe.

2. Call for a volunteer to serve as senate secretary. Elizabeth Winiarz agreed to take minutes at this meeting.

3. Minutes of the September 19, 2016 meeting were approved (Jenkins/Krumholz)

4. President's Report:

The Manning Prize will be offered again this year. Former Trustee Robert Manning has provided funding for this prize for 3 years. John Buck was the first recipient last year. The prize rewards teaching innovation that has had an impact on student learning. The annual award is valued at \$10,000.00

Chancellor Search: Three forums were held on campus last week by the search firm accompanied by a few members of the search committee. The forums were well attended, with lots of faculty participation. Glaucia Silva, Shannon Jenkins and Pinguo He are faculty members on the search committee. Links to documents are on the UMD Chancellor web page <http://www.massachusetts.edu/about-umass-system/umass-dartmouth-chancellor-search> Faculty are welcome to submit names of people you know or have worked with to the committee. The committee is meeting regularly with an eye to conducting airport interviews in early February.

The quest for a Board approved **senate constitution** continues. Roscoe is working with the by-laws committee to produce a final version to present to faculty. Looking to work with the Federation to find agreeable wording.

The Chancellor held a town meeting and has recommended a **Responsibility Centered Model** budget. An implementation task force has been named.

5. Provost's Report:

The official opening of the CCB Learning pavilion will take place on October 20 from 3-5 pm. Shake the Ship will take place on December 6 from 5-7:30 pm. Students may raise issues to the administration at this meeting.

New Academic Programs

Pre-proposals for two undergraduate degree programs at UMass Dartmouth, both from the College of Arts & Sciences, received approval to be developed into full proposals. The B.A. degree in Health & Society was initiated by faculty in Sociology/Anthropology and B.S./B.A. degrees in Public Administration was initiated by faculty in the Departments of Political Science, English, and Economics. One other pre-proposal that is yet to be cleared by the President's Office is the M.S. degree in Finance, which was also initiated by faculty in Charlton College of Business.

College of Engineering's proposal for an accelerated degree in B.S. in Bioengineering/M.S. in Biomedical Engineering & Biotechnology (BMEBT) received approval in October for implementation. An online

degree completion B.A. in Economics with a concentration in Healthcare Administration is moving to implementation for a summer 2017 start date.

Four full proposals that are under development and/or are ready for submission are (1) B.S./B.A. degrees in Public Administration; (2) B.A. degree in Health & Society; (3) Ph.D. in Integrative Biology; and (4) Ph.D. in STEM Education.

Admissions Open House

This past weekend on October 15, 741 visitors (including 324 interested prospective students) attended the Admissions Open House. I want to thank everyone in Enrollment Management and Admissions as well as faculty, staff, and Deans who worked hard to make this event a success. Our next Admissions Open House is scheduled for Sunday, November 6.

Accreditation Milestones

The Engineering programs in the College of Engineering are scheduled to be visited by ABET on October 30 - November 1, 2016. STEM, Art and Music Education programs (within both CAS and CVPA) are scheduled to be visited by the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education in February 2017. The ABET visit, in particular, will have involvement of two separate Commissions - Engineering Accreditation Commission (EAC) for Bioengineering, Civil Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Computer Engineering, and Mechanical Engineering and Computing Accreditation Commission (CAC) for Computer Science programs.

To prepare for the University's comprehensive 10-year reaccreditation by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) in 2020, we shall be getting ourselves organized soon for generating the Self-Study document, which will be due in 2019 ahead of a site visit by NEASC. As such, with the faculty senate, we shall name the various teams in Spring 2017 for addressing the nine NEASC Standards.

The College of Visual & Performing Arts (CVPA), the College of Nursing and the School of Law all had stellar site visits respectively by the National Association of Schools of Art and Design (NASAD) in April 2015, Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) in February 2016, and the American Bar Association (ABA) in March 2016. The final outcomes for all three are expected to be known by December 2016.

Academic Quality Assessment and Development (AQAD)

Six programs are scheduled to go through BOT-mandated AQAD review this year. They are: Educational Leadership, Foreign Literature and Language, Liberal Arts, Mathematics, Philosophy, and Physics.

Ken Saltman questioned whether the Educational Leadership AQAD review is too early. Magali will discuss this with Dean Riley who will contact Prof. Saltman.

College of Nursing

The UMass Dartmouth College of Nursing (CON) which was visited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) in February 2016 has just been notified to have received full CCNE

accreditation for its baccalaureate and master's degree programs in nursing, as well as for Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) program for 10 years, extending to December 31, 2026.

The Board of Trustees is always looking for efficiency and effectiveness. Roscoe reported that the Intercampus Faculty Council is discussing the matter of the board micromanaging the campuses.

6. Proposal for Policy & Procedures Review Committee

Proposal: The role of this committee would be to serve as a contact point when anyone has a question about a policy or procedure that may not have been reviewed recently or may not be effective with current wording. The committee investigates why the policy exists and the reason for the wording and may make a recommendation to the Senate on ways to improve the policy. (Goodman/Tandon)

Michael Goodman and Susan Krumholz agreed to serve on the committee. Anyone who brings forward a problem with a policy must be prepared to explain the problem clearly. This includes Senate Committees.

All were in favor.

7. Resolution on Summer Transfer Advising

This resolution was moved by Jenkins/Krumholz

It is unfair to ask faculty to do uncompensated work making individual appointments for student advising as was done last year.

David Millstone suggested that this go to the PPRC. Jenkins rejected this amendment.

As a resolution this will go to the Chancellor for his consideration.

All were in favor.

8. Budget

Marie Louise Nunes, Associate Vice Chancellor for Finance, provided an overview of the budget.

There was an increase in revenue from 2015 to 2016 of almost \$5 million. Expenses increased by over \$11 million.

The Debt/Operating Ratio is 8.4% which is high

Operating Margin is 2.7%

Primary Reserve is 6.9%. This needs to be about 25%.

The Budget Planning Council has recommended a hybrid RCM model for FY 2017 and will move to the RCM model for FY 2018.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:40 pm (Goodman/Miraglia)

Respectfully Submitted,

Elizabeth Winiarz, Senator