

Faculty Senate Minutes 9/18/2017

Members Present:

	Present		Present		Present
Paul Bacdayan	X	Arpita Joardar	X	Ziddi Msangi	X
Jerry Blitefield		Guarav Khanna	X	Nancy O'Connor	X
Tom Boone	X	Anna Klobucka	X	Aminda O'Hare	X
Dario Borim	X	Hilary Kraus	X	Grant O'Rielly	X
Michelle Bowers		Susan Krumholz		Susan Raidy-Klein	
Rob Darst		Wayne LeBlanc		Andrew Revell	
James Edwards	X	Elizabeth Lehr	X	Ricardo Rosa	X
Chris Eisenhart	X	Julia Li	X	Doug Roscoe	X
Gavin Fay		Chad McGuire	X	Nathan Rubien	
Rebecca Flanagan		Cristina Mehrtens	X	Frank Scarano	
Jennifer Fugate	X	Victor Mendes		Monika Schuler	X
Michael Goodman	X	Kathy Miraglia	X	Glaucia Silva	X
Divina Grossman	X	James Mistler	X	Amit Tandon	
Karen Gulbrandsen		Kari Mofford	X	Iren Valova	
Adam Hausknecht		Pia Moisander		Cheng Wang	
Shannon Jenkins	X	Jose Mora	X	Elizabeth Winiarz	X

Guests Present: Mary Louise Nunes, Chan Du, Sankha Bhowmick, Kathy Carter, Alex Fowler, Cathy Curran, Kimberly Christopher, Karen Barnett, Carol Spencer-Monteiro, Ram Bala, Ray Laoulache, Amy Shapiro, Robert Jones

Approval of Minutes from 11/17

Motion to approve minutes made by S. Krumholz and seconded by S. Jenkins. Motion carried.

Faculty Senate President Report

Report had been emailed prior to meeting (see attached)

Provost's Report

Provost provided update on college census (down by 110 students), the number of new hires for each college, and a "shout out" to five faculty teams that had won awards and grants.

Selection of Faculty for Review of Dean Kimberly Christopher

Completed at last Faculty Senate Meeting

Selection of Faculty for Center Reviews

Discussion related to service on committees. Motion by S. Jenkins that if a faculty member had served on a "major" committee last year that they would not have to serve this year. Motion seconded by G. O'Reilly. Motion carried.

The following faculty were randomly selected to serve on Center Reviews for these respective committees:

- Sheila Macrine from STEM Ed and Teacher Dev. and Jose Mora from Management and Marketing → the Labor Education Center
- Maolin Guo from Chemistry/Biochemistry and John Fobanjong from Political Science → Center for Rehabilitation Engineering
- Hillary Farber from the Law School and Yifei Li from Electrical/Computer Engineering → Center for Scientific Computing and Visualization Research

RCM Budget Development Task Force Presentation

Presentation by Michel Goodman and Mary Louise Nunes. RCM was presented as a transparent, decentralized, approach to budgeting. The goal of RCM is to provide more direct management, budgeting, and decision making to those who are most directly responsible for performance. It is mission driven, transparent, strategic, accountable, and incentivizes those who generate income for the University. The presenters provided a funds flow overview (an old and new version). There would be a shift in that funds would be redirected from a central fund to individual colleges and schools that generate them first and then to the service centers. Documents from the presentation are available at the UMASSD portal in mysites in the navigation bar under RCM Budge Process. Following the presentation there was a vigorous and fruitful discussion among senators regarding the following: will schools be an individual enterprise, who does the managing?, what is the role of department chairs?, where is the student voice in this?, is there a risk of assigning a dollar value to items that have no dollar value?, . Additional comments included that this was a healthy step forward and senators agreed that conceptually transparency is a good thing. There was a motion by S. Jenkins to have another meeting to discuss this model in detail, second by C. McGuire. Motion carried.

Change to University Studies Cluster 4 Curriculum

D. Roscoe presented for the Gen Ed Committee. The issue stemmed from a need to include discussions on race and diversity in curriculum. A motion was made by N. O'Connor and seconded by M. Goodman to approve the recommended revision to Cluster 4B The Nature of Use Society as presented by D. Roscoe. Motion carried.

Evaluation of Non-Faculty Instruction

D. Roscoe presented a Process for Evaluation of Non-Faculty Instruction that included the production of a Teaching Effectiveness Report (TER) by non-faculty instructors. Faculty senators reviewed the proposed process, suggested minor edits and after a motion by C. McGuire and a second by M.Schuler the motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:03 pm.