

## Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes

April 14, 2021

3-5pm

Zoom Videoconferencing

- Approval of March 18th minutes
  - Motion made (Chad McGuire) and seconded (Grant O’Rielly)
  - No objections
  - Minutes approved
- President’s Report (Doug Roscoe)
  - Chancellor Search
    - Just announced
  - Update re Becker College
    - Transfer only, no teachout
    - Other motions re Becker College closure do not need to be considered
    - Bigger picture: SFAAC to look at general policy changes re transfer credits
  - Post-pandemic Forum
    - Moving forward - potential dates May 5th-7th
  - Board of Trustee meeting
    - Tuition freeze for in-state students at UMass Dartmouth
- Chancellor Fuller’s Presentation
  - Funding
  - Applications are up, enrollment is down, retention is down
    - Difference is only 350-400 students
      - Think more regionally about how to improve our numbers
  - Transparency: Need for IT work to integrate data from various sources
  - Campus climate: Creation and implementation of survey to assess
  - Hiring: Need to fill key administrative positions and some critical open faculty/staff positions
    - Currently 137 open positions of which approximately 60 are currently in searches
  - Infrastructure: Assessment of list of capital projects and possible re-organization of priorities
  - COVID-19 Immunizations: Unable to mandate currently but strongly recommending with intent to require
- Provost’s Report (Acting Provost Michael Goodman)
  - Tenure approval
    - All professors up for tenure were approved
  - Fall 2021 planning

- PERT meetings have been taking place
- Presentation re Marketing and Admissions (Director Hanan Khamis & Assistant Vice Chancellor Hillary Silvia)
  - Updates on enrollment work
  - Report on current marketing strategies
- Committee reports
  - Technology Committee
    - Current tasks
      - Use of Zoom for fall 2021
      - Use of Honorlock
      - Transition from Document Imaging to Slate
      - FILP program
  - Study Abroad Committee
    - Current challenges for student participation
      - Cost-prohibitive nature
      - Lack of financial aid for programming
      - Lack of flexibility in payment
    - Possible solutions
      - Baseline comparison of costs
      - Increased institutional support for students
      - Re-evaluation of faculty mandate
      - Permitted use of public transportation when appropriate
  - University Curriculum Committee
    - Issue with Curriculog
      - Question of what is up for review by the UCC
- Motion to Adjourn
  - Made (Ralph Clifford) and seconded (Robert Darst)