

Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes  
May 9, 2022  
3-5pm  
Zoom Videoconferencing

- Call to Order at 3:06pm
- Approval of April 14<sup>th</sup> minutes
  - Motion made (Glaucia Silva) and seconded (Ziddi Msangi)
    - Vote through Blackboard
      - Motion approved – 94% in favor, 0% against, 6% abstain
- President’s Report (Doug Roscoe)
  - Reminders re administrative rules and procedures for Zoom meetings
  - Introduction & explanation of Parliamentary
  - Senior Administrator reviews have been completed
    - Deans VanderGheynst, Jenkins, and Gross
  - Chancellor interested in continuing forums in the fall
  - Capital projects – rundown of projects for the next 18 months
- Provost’s Report (Acting Provost Ram Bala)
  - Enrollment update
    - Deposits are up for first-time, full-time students
  - Retention Committee update
    - Meeting regularly to identify obstacles to registration
    - Looking for electronic advising platform
- Early College Program Presentation (Michael Goodman)
  - Commonwealth Collegiate Academy (CCA)
  - Students in junior/senior year in high school can take college courses
    - Extending access to college at no cost & exposure to UMass Dartmouth
  - District partners: New Bedford High, Durfee, Taunton, and Brockton
  - Question from Heidi Berggren re use of UMassD resources
    - Details are still being worked out – learn about where issues are
  - Question from Sonia Pacheco about Dartmouth High School not being included
    - Dartmouth already participates through dual enrollment; Dartmouth does not reflect diversity that is targeted for this program
  - Question from Doug Roscoe about data and metrics
    - President’s Office is securing independent agency to handle data and metrics
  - Question from Adam Hausknecht re technology for courses, specifically math
  - Ray Laoulache re how we do not compete with community colleges
  - UMass Dartmouth working with CONNECT partnership to ensure we do not compete

- Committee reports
  - Student Faculty Academic Affairs Committee (Doug Roscoe)
    - Residency requirement – Motion: drop from 45 to 30
      - At least 21 credits at upper-level courses
    - Academic minors
      - Motion 1: Allow incoming freshmen to declare a minor
      - Motion 2: Strike language prohibiting double-counting courses – leave to department to decide
    - Discussion about proposed changes
    - Motion to postpone Academic Minors – Motion 1 to the first meeting of the fall (Stephanie O’Hara) and seconded (Chad McGuire)
      - No objections – Motion carries
    - Residency requirement and Academic minors – Motion 2 – hold off until some time in the fall
  - University Curriculum Committee (Sonia Pacheco)
    - Met total of 4 times this year
    - 7 proposals considered
  - Technology Committee (Beste Gucler)
    - Met total of 3 times this year
    - Large issues handled:
      - Merging of committee with the Library Committee
      - VPN access to Linux computers
    - Recommendations:
      - Technology Committee should be at table discussions on technology changes that will impact faculty
      - Technology Committee & CITS should meet to talk about how technology is impacting teaching & research
- Unfinished Business
  - None
- New Business
  - Officer Voting
    - Explanation of voting process
    - Voting through Qualtrics after meeting ends
  - Recognition of Professor Emeriti
    - Tony Costa, Paul Fortier, Alan Hirshfeld, Irene Scharf
      - Motion to recognize (R. Tom Boone) and seconded (Nancy O’Connor)
        - No objections – Motion carried
- Motion to adjourn
  - Motion made (Dario Borim) and seconded (Crystal Lubinsky)