

Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes
September 21, 2020
3-5pm
Zoom Videoconferencing

- Call to Order
 - Parliamentary issues
 - Raise hands for issues, questions for the group
 - Introduce Vevox for in-meeting votes
- Approval of August 19th minutes
 - Motion made and seconded
 - Vote to approve via Vevox
- Secretary's Report
(Doug Roscoe)
 - By-law revisions
 - Need to deal with the name change for the College of Nursing
 - Correct some lost language from the previous by-law revisions
 - Draft language re succession of officer seats
 - Vacant Senate Committee seats
 - Review of open/vacant seats & request for volunteers
 - Update on research capacity
 - Research buildings are not open all the time
 - Effort to move to regular capacity
 - Undergraduate TAs
 - Seeking clarity on FERPA issue vis-à-vis grading
 - Course evaluations for AY2020-21
 - Review of evaluations because of COVID-19/move to online learning
 - Enrollment caps for online sections
 - OCE courses capped at 25
- Provost's Office Report
(Acting Provost Goodman)
 - Meeting with BOT CASA
 - Discussed campus experience re spring transition
 - NECHE update
 - Chancellor Preble, Provost Goodman, and Ram Bala met with NECHE for site visit
 - Visit was as successful as could be expected
 - Final interview with NECHE will involve Chancellor Preble, Provost Goodman, Ram Bala, and Institutional Research
 - Spring plans will be informed by circumstances

- Need to be prepared to adapt, if necessary
 - Cathy Curran – Question on data collection re current student experience via online/Zoom
 - Provost’s office will be working with Ram Bala on creating survey/assessment
 - Shakhnoza Kayumova – Question about how faculty and university can better help students
 - Robert Jones – Documents from Duke discussing appropriate tasks for undergraduate TAs
- Election of Senate President
 - Brief explanation of responsibilities of Senate President
 - Candidate statement by Catharine Curran-Kelly
 - Candidate statement by Jennifer Fugate
 - Candidate statement by Eric Larson
 - Candidate statement by Douglas Roscoe
 - Ballot sent via Qualtrics
 - Senators have until 11:59pm to cast their ballots
- Update re Budget
(Vice Chancellor Gingerella)
 - Chad McGuire – Question about assumptions in the spring budget
 - Assumptions from BOT is 10% decrease in state aid and regular spring enrollment (all housing & dining back)
- Legal Issues/Best Practices for online class sections
(Shaun Spencer)
 - Discussion re Zoom, recording classes, and use of webcam
 - Statements from students (Alexander Moulton & Liz Anusauskas) re their experiences with online classes, Zoom, and use of webcam
- Motion to Table and Adjourn
 - Made by Chad McGuire; seconded by Arpita Joardar & Shakhnoza Kayumova
 - Vote via Vevox