

Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes
 February 5, 2024
 3:00-5:00pm
 Zoom Videoconferencing

Members present:

	Present		Present		Present
Achilov Dilshod		Evans Shari	X	Mofford Kari	X
Ahrens Scott		Fair Meghan	X	Moisander Pia	
Anguelov Nick	X	Fields Keota		Msangi Ziddi	X
Arkerson Robin	X	Fisher Anthony	X	Mulnix Jennifer	
Arora Anupama		Fisher Robert		Neto Catherine	
Arruda Elisabeth	X	Fletcher Megan		O'Rielly Grant	X
Avery Shannon	X	Fowler Alex		Olitsky Neal	
Ayotte Brian	X	Franz Laura	X	Owens Lisa	
Barrett Diana		Gardner Catherine	X	Pacheco Sonia	X
Berggren Heidi	X	Gelmi Caroline	X	Rajaniemi Tara	X
Bhowmick Sankha		Gulbrandsen Karen		Reda Danya	
Borim Dario		Hall Maureen	X	Revell Andrew	
Botvin Joshua	X	Huang Rui		Roscoe Doug	X
Bowman Julie	X	Jia Xiaofei		Santavicca Nicholas	
Bromage Erin	X	Kayumova Shakhnoza		Scarano Frank	X
Buck Elisabeth	X	Khatib Firas	X	Schuler Monika	X
Caldera Kathryn		Kim Saeja	X	Silby Mark	
Casero Eric	X	Kish Robin		Silva Glaucia	X
Clark Jennifer	X	Klobucka Anna	X	Sneider Matthew	X
Cowles Geoff	X	Li Yuzhu	X	Tandon Amit	

Curran	Catharine	X	Lohrenz	Steven	X	Turcotte	Heather	X
Darst	Robert		Lubinsky	Crystal	X	Viveiros	Jennifer	X
Dawe	Megan	X	Lynch	Devon	X	Wang	Honggang	
DeLuca	Katherine	X	Manke	David	X	Winslow	Benjamin	
Dempsey	Anna	X	Manning	Kenneth	X	Witzig	Stephen	X
Eckert	Maureen	X	Marshall	Douglas	X	Wood	Emma	X
Eisenhart	Chris	X	Mehrtens	Cristina		Wilson	Mary	

38 GUESTS

FACULTY SENATE MEETING AGENDA

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- Call to Order at 3:05pm
- Admin Reminders (Brian Ayotte)
 - ☒ Email questions or comments for invited guests to the Faculty Senate email ahead of meeting
 - Allows for presenters to prepare responses and information
 - Does not preclude from asking questions or follow-up questions during meeting
- Approval of December minutes
 - ☒ Motion made (Glauca Silva) and seconded (Saeja Kim)
 - ☒ No additions or amendments – motion approved
- President's Report (Brian Ayotte)
 - ☒ Ad Hoc Facilities Committee
 - 23 volunteers
 - First meeting held
 - David Manke elected chair & Judy Farrar elected secretary
 - ☒ Coming up this semester
 - By-law proposals will be coming up for discussion & voting at the March meeting
 - Health & Society department
 - Possible revisions to the blended learning policy
 - Ad hoc committee on AI Policy

- ∅ Reminder to committee chairs to schedule meetings so the date, time, and location can be posted
 - ∅ Introduction of Lisa Owens, new Parliamentarian
 - ∅ Voting by raising hands (both in-person & virtual)
- Committee Reports
 - ∅ Research Committee
 - Chair did not show up
 - ∅ Student Activities Committee
 - Currently does not have a chair
 - Steering committee assessing the committee's role & updating the committee's charge
- University Police (John Souza)
 - ∅ Introduction
 - ∅ Police reports to Student Affairs
 - ∅ Hiring update
 - Focus on the right fit for a university police officer
 - Guardian vs. Enforcer approach
 - Hired first Asian officer
 - Hiring additional 4 officers
 - First Haitian – speaks 4 languages
 - First Jamaican
 - Hiring 3 Institutional Security Officers (ISO)
 - Handle a lot of non-police related calls for service
 - Goal is to hire 6 total
 - Starting around the second week of March
 - ∅ Department goals: Be more visible & Be more approachable and engaged partner on campus
 - Possible information booth at the campus entrance
 - ∅ Training announcement: active shooter threat survival
 - February 14th 1-3pm
 - February 15th 3-5pm
- Student Affairs Response Teams (Heather Quire)
 - ∅ Three different teams
 - Incident Management Team
 - Reviews all incident reports & determine whether appropriate responses were taken
 - Meets weekly
 - CARE Team
 - Provides one-on-one support that cover a whole span of issues and challenges

- Meets weekly
 - Threat Assessment Team
 - Identifies, evaluates, and addresses threats or potential threats to campus
 - Meets as needed
- ∅ Request that faculty submit a CARE referral form at anytime when there is a concern for a student
- New Business
 - ∅ Ad hoc Committee on AI Policy
 - If interested in serving or know someone who is, email
 - ∅ Grade Appeals Officers vacancies
 - Need 2 officers for the College of Engineering
 - Must be tenured faculty
 - Most appeals come from Mechanical Engineering & Electrical Engineering
 - ∅ Update on Ad Hoc Facilities Committee (David Manke)
 - Broken down into 4 subcommittees
 - Teaching space
 - Research, scholarship, lab & studio space
 - Infrastructure
 - Major projects
 - Committee objective: get more faculty input in what happens with facilities and keeping faculty informed
 - ∅ Update of upcoming by-laws changes (Doug Roscoe)
 - Posted in myCourses in mid-November
 - Proposals
 - Adopting Robert's Rules as the parliamentary authority
 - Lowering the quorum requirement
 - Creating the "Double State" rule
 - Applies only to recommendations being made as part of the governing process
- Provost's Report (Ram Bala)
 - ∅ President's Office convened a committee to talk about AI
 - Pauline Entin is our campus representative
 - ∅ Thanks to Erin Bromage for working on the grade appeal process
 - ∅ Updates
 - CCB Dean search started in November
 - Timeline
 - Identify candidates for first round interviews – 3rd week of March

- Interviews – April 1st and 2nd
 - Campus visits – 3rd week of April
- Accepted Student Days (ASD) - 2/25, 3/23, and 4/21
- College of Engineering Dean – 5-year review
- First-year retention
 - Fall 2022 cohort retention rate: 64%
 - Fall 2023 spring re-enrollment rate: 85%
- ∅ Requests
 - Roster verification
 - Opens today
 - Ensure students who registered are actually active
 - Regular & timely feedback to students
 - Help students plan
 - Submit mid-semester progress indicator reports
 - Opens February 20th
- ∅ Sponsored research
 - Presentation on the data around funded research
- Motion to Adjourn
 - ∅ Made (Monika Schuler) and seconded (Maureen Hall)
- Meeting concluded at 4:20pm