

Meeting Minutes – BSC Faculty Senate

Location: Google Meet

Date: June 29, 2022

Time: 10:00 am

Attendance:

Mike Lilly, Melissa Haye, Kelli Sarver, Bill Bennett, Rodney Montague, Amy Atwell, Deb Chakrabarti, Roy Pruett, Amanda Matoushek, Young Kim, Michelle Taylor, Vincent Mateescu, Sherri William, Amanda Quesenberry, Ted Lewis, Darrel Malamisura; Faculty Senate Chair.

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Darrel Malamisura, Faculty Senate Chair at 10:02am. Roy Pruett moved to accept the minutes, Bill Bennett seconds the motion. The previous minutes were approved, with no corrections.

Committee Reports:

1. **Curriculum:** Has not met
2. **Assessment:** Has not met
3. **Planning and Budget:** Has not met
4. **Professional Development:** Has not met.
5. **Promotion and Tenure:** Has not met
6. **Faculty Right and Responsibilities:** Has not met
7. **Student Academic Appeals:** Has not met
8. **Enrollment Management Council:** Has not met
9. **BOG:** Mike Lilly stated that in the last meeting, it was voted on and passed to increase tuition to 9.4% in addition to the fees for hours above 15.
10. **College Council:** has not met
11. **Student Disciplinary Appeals:** Has not met

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ACF: The yearly retreat will be postponed until October to better discuss legislative issues.

Old Business:

Darrel stated that the questions that were sent to Mr. Benjamin and Mr. Shaffer have not been answered.

Darrel said that he sent the letter to administration about Title 9. He says to date, he still has not heard anything from them.

Darrel stated that the processes for new courses and programs ties in with the new proposed policies. At this time, he asked Mike Lilly to comment on the future of the curriculum committee. He stated that there would not be a curriculum committee from this point on and that he is not sure of the promotion and tenure program. Search committees will also be done away with in the future. It was asked if this will go into effect as of the fall 2022 semester.

Darrel commented that some would go into effect fall and some for 2023. He sent the policies proposed by the BOG that were out for 30 days for comments to each of the senators for review. He would like feedback on these policies. Rodney Montague stated that it is very important to make comments about these policies because the BOG/administration is required by statute to respond to any comments. If there are no comments then the policies will be passed. Melissa Hays stated that the Associate programs thought they were exempt from the additional classes that the BOG was requiring for all programs, but when reading the policies, it is still included.

At this time, Dr. Lewis joined the meeting and answered questions that the senate presented. He stated that faculty would still be involved in the search for new faculty. That faculty is strictly an advisory committee and not a hiring committee. One of the new policies does state that the president can hire anyone that he desires, but the input from faculty would also be needed. Rodney Montague asked Dr. Lewis if the faculty would still a part in developing the JVA for job postings for open positions. Dr. Lewis stated that he would leave that up to the dean of each school. Darrel asked why visiting instructors would be put on a search committee when there are full-time faculty available in that school. Dr. Lewis stated that he leaves that decision to the deans and the only time he will not approve the decision is if something causes concern. Amanda Matoushek asked if she understood the new policy correctly that the school was no longer requiring a minority on search committees. Dr. Lewis said that this was understanding.

He stated that the curriculum process would change for the fall semester. He said that it was his understanding that if it is something that involves only a certain program then it does not have to go through a college committee. If it involves all schools, such as general education classes, it would have to go through the curriculum committee. Darrel asked who makes the decision on if it will affect the whole college. Dr. Lewis stated that the office of the provost will make that decision.

Dr. Lewis announced that Mike Lilly had accepted a new position-Special Assistant to the Provost-beginning in the fall. He was selected due to his teaching experience, his knowledge of curriculum and special committees. Mr. Lilly stated that he would be a fulltime nonteaching faculty member. Darrel asked if Mr. Lilly can remain on the faculty senate with his new position. Amanda Matoushek read the requirements of the constitution and it stated that he can remain on the senate for one more semester if not carrying a teaching load and may stay on the senate if teaching only one class or participating in a faculty development position. Darrel asked the senate to think about how we would like to handle this and we would discuss it again in the next meeting.

Darrel asked Mike Lilly about the progress of the resolutions and he said that they would be to him by tomorrow. Darrel will sign them and send them to Dr. Lewis to be delivered to the BOG and the athletic department.

New Business:

Darrel would like to make adjustments to the Constitution and clean up the language. The process on how senators are chosen out of specific departments. In the past, senators were chosen out of each department by full time faculty volunteers. They were then voted on by each department. The handbook states that visiting and adjunct faculty cannot serve on any committees or advise. He stated that we have allowed exceptions to departments that are

short staffed. What restrictions and minimum requirements that we want to put on this process is up to the faculty senate. Amanda Matoushek made a comment that it also states clinical track faculty cannot serve, which includes the majority of faculty from the School of Nursing and Allied Health. She said we must be very specific in our wording of the Constitution. Darrel states that visiting faculty should be allowed if the department is short staffed. The senators should be voted on by the school and not hand picked by the dean. He said that we should be an ex officio for the adjunct faculty that represents the adjunct faculty of the college. This person would not be allowed to vote, but would bring any concerns from the adjunct faculty to the senate. Darrel then stated that he had emailed the Constitution to all senate members and would like responses and changes during the June meeting.

Constitution Changes: Darrel stated that he had sent out some of the changes that were suggested for the constitution. The senate needs to decide exactly what should be changed. A major change would be replacing university from college.

1. Matters of Campus Safety is an addition to the constitution.
Agenda of faculty senate meeting should be posted before each meeting. Someone suggested that meeting minutes should be posted one week after meeting has occurred. Darrel asked if we should take out the section that states that minutes will be posted one week after the meeting. It was stated that they should not be posted until the senate has reviewed and approved at the next meeting.
2. Membership to faculty senate-Darrel states that the titles of members listed in the constitution will have to be changed due to the changes that will be made by the BOG. Darrel states that he does not have a problem with visiting faculty sitting on the senate, but should not hold offices. Also, they should not be on the senate if they are enough full time faculty that are available. At this time, Darrel asked for comments. Amanda Matoushek stated that in past practice, we have treated our clinical track faculty as full time faculty with long term appointments. A visiting faculty member has a 3 year contract and a clinical track faculty member has a 5 year contract with the possibility to renew when the contract is about to expire. Amanda Matoushek stated that with the new change to the constitution any new faculty hired into the College of Health Sciences will not be allowed tenure. **4.2.1 Clinical Track: An appointment of full-time faculty member to a position in the College of Health Sciences shall be classified as a clinical track faculty appointment.** Darrel asked Mike Lilly to schedule a meeting with Angela Lambert and Ted Lewis to see why the College of Health Sciences is being discriminated against.
3. Quorum: Currently, we have 16 senators and 3 officers that are not considered senators that can vote for a total of 19. Darrel states that we will be adding another school named University College and should we allow senators from that school. Every freshman entering the college will be put into this school beginning fall 2023. Mike Lilly made the comment that according to the organizational chart of the college, chairs would now have the name of Associate Dean. Melissa Haye asked if her title of director would be changed to this new title. She stated that both Rad Tech and Nursing are required to have "director" in their title due to the accrediting bodies.
4. Faculty senate should consist of 4 voting representatives **elected by the faculty of each individual schools.** Members will have to voted upon and not picked by a dean. Members should serve 2 years, with the possibility of serving 2 consecutive terms for a total of 4 years.
5. Promotion and Tenure: Darrel asked Mike Lilly for a clarification on the new procedure when it is available.

6. Faculty members on collegewide committees: Darrel suggests that these appointments need to be made in April during the general faculty meeting. He says there are committees on his list that do not exist anymore. Darrel asked what the difference is between professional development and personnel development. Melissa Haye stated that she is on the personnel development and that includes both staff and faculty. Darrel hopes to have this answered before next meeting.

Adjournment:

At this time with no other issues, Darrel asked for a motion to adjourn. Roy Pruett made a motion to adjourn, Rodney Montague seconds the motion, meeting was adjourned at 12:45 pm.

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