**MINUTES**

**FACULTY SENATE**

**October 18, 2017 – 12:00-1:20 – SCP 317**

**In attendance:** Abourahma, Allyn, Baker, Bennett, Brennan, Bunagan, Bush, Curtis, Dickinson, Didi-Ogren, Farrell, Fienberg, Gevertz, Hall, Jaksch, Kim, Krimmel, Le Morvan, Mawhinney, McGreevey, McMann, Meixner, Morin, Norvell, O’Grady, Peel, Prensky, Schwarz, Sears, Steinberg, Weng, and Wiita.

**Excused:** Adler, Brechman, Domingo, Landreau, and Li

**Absent:**  Nakra, and Paliwal.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

* There was one correction to a typo.
* Approved as amended.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

* The Fall Colloquium will be Wednesday, October 25th in the Business Building Student Lounge. Nancy Hingston from Mathematics & Statistics is the speaker.
* The provost will be giving her annual address to the faculty on January 31st in EDU 212 at noon.
* Gitenstein/Hart Prize Seminar will be on 3/28/18 at noon, location to be announced. Jana Gevertz from Mathematics & Statistics will be the speaker.
* The AFT meeting is at 3pm today in Social Sciences 223.
* The Data Summit is next Wednesday from 9-12 in Mayo.
* The draft Presidential Profile will NOT be going to the larger college community for review. The final version is currently being put together. Amanda will be able to share the final version for accuracy only within the next 24 hours.

**AD HOC COMMITTEE ON TRANSFORMATION**

* SEB would like to put together a committee to look at how transformation deepened the learning experience for students and what faculty do because of it.
* Amanda passed around a sign-up sheet.

**VISIT FROM KIT MURPHY, ASSOCIATE PROVOST FOR CURRICULUM AND LIBERAL LEARNING**

* Kit Murphy visited to discuss the recommendations from the Liberal Learning Program review. He also reviewed potential implementation paths for the reviewers’ recommendations.
* Questions and discussion.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

* Due to time constraints, the committee reports will be distributed by email.
* **Attachment 1**

**DISCUSSION: PREPARATION FOR VISIT FROM LLOYD RICKETS**

* Amanda led a discussion of potential questions to ask Lloyd when he visits the Senate.

Meeting adjourned at 1:20.

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**Committee Reports**

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**Committee on Academic Programs**

Submitted by Matthew Hall

CAP is currently working on 7 charges from Steering.

* Independent study policy
  + Stage: Gathering information/Drafting. CAP is currently gathering information from academic leaders about the ways departments document independent studies and independent research
* Learning assistants policy
  + Stage: Testimony. CAP will be seeking Tier 3 testimony in the coming weeks
* Departmental honors policy
  + Stage: Gathering information/Drafting. CAP is drafting an initial recommendation and gathering information about how departmental honors are currently conducted
* Double Counting Graduate Courses in Undergraduate Degrees
  + Stage: Drafting. CAP is revising the initial recommendation from GPC.
* Advising Assessment
  + Stage: Gathering information/Drafting. CAP is gathering more information about the implementation of this assessment in order to inform the drafting of the policy.
* Study Abroad
  + CAP reviewed and approved an interim document outlining information about Crisis and Risk Management for study abroad courses.
* Charges still to be discussed:
  + Interdisciplinary Minors defined

Residence Requirements

**Committee on Faculty Affairs**

Submitted by Joseph Baker

CFA met on 10/11 and elected its vice-chair, Andrew Leynes (Psychology).

Psychology disciplinary standards were discussed, and CFA is asking for feedback on a couple of points from Psychology.

Changes to MUSE for the current year were pulled from the table by MRIC, and the MUSE proposal was approved by CFA. MRIC will collect more formal information about faculty preferences for alternative MUSE durations.

CFA is reviewing the Faculty and Staff emeritus policies, which have not been reviewed since 2001, and are bringing these documents up to date with current College practices.

The next meeting of CFA will be on the 25th of October.

**Committee on Student and Campus Community**

Submitted by Glenn Steinberg

1.      The committee is reworking the Student Travel Policy.

2.      The committee is reviewing a draft of the Involuntary Health or Safety Withdrawal Policy.  The draft seems very close to being ready for next steps, including testimony/open forums.

3.      The committee is discussing next steps on its charge to decide whether TCNJ should pursue a tobacco-free campus.  As charged, the committee plans to do an electronic survey and open forums.  Su Van Der Sandt (CSCC chair) outlined issues that would need to be addressed in terms of how we approach gathering testimony – e.g., what questions to ask, particularly in the electronic survey.  A subcommittee will start drafting survey questions.

4.      At its last meeting, the committee briefly discussed its newest charge on the Service and Assistance Animals Interim Policy.

**AFT Report**

Submitted by John Krimmel,

President’s Report – September 2017

- The AFT contract has been settled. John is seeing things happen by the administration that gives the impression AFT is more valued. For example, he is being included in events that he was not previously included in, such as the new faculty orientation.

- Payroll issue – nothing was received officially from AFT Council or HR, but the error appears to be corrected.

- There is a notice from Council that AFT National is conducting labor walks. Participation is encouraged.

- MOA’s

1. Blended learning for adjuncts – The Executive Board has drafted and submitted the MOA and has not yet heard back

2. Department Chairs Stipend – The data requested from administration was received. John will meet with Jackie Taylor to see what she is willing to do.

3. Advising – we were going to put in a demand to negotiate, however, the issues seemed to have resolved themselves (with regard to training and signing off). The only remaining issue concerns the inequity of students and faculty. Some faculty have a large number of students while others have very few.

- There is a Professional Staff luncheon/meeting scheduled for 10/13/2017 from 12-2. Professional Staff had asked for a meeting over the summer to foster a greater sense of inclusion and to discuss what their concerns/needs are. AFT National will have a representative there as well.

- Professional Staff promotional process – John spoke to Greg Pogue about the difficulties with the promotional process. Greg Pogue is willing to look and the process and listen to the issues

Trustees Report

none