**MINUTES**

**FACULTY SENATE**

**February 18, 2015 – 12:00 P.M. – SCP 117**

**In attendance:** Anthony, Bender, Bennett, Brown-Glaude, Chan, Deese, Eberly, Farrell, Gevertz, Ghitulescu, Gosselin, Guarracino, Hall, Heisler, Hu, Jaksch, Krstic, Le Morvan, Leonard, McCarty, McGreevey, Meixner, Mirtcheva, Morin, Norvell, O’Connell, Paces, Paliwal, Prensky, Salgian, Steinberg, Vickerman, Weng, Wiita, Williams, Wund.

**Excused:** Blake, Holleran, Jakubowski, Safi.

**Absent:** Beyers, Edelbach.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the 11/19/14 Faculty Senate meeting were approved with one small change.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

* There is a union meeting today at 3 PM.
* May 6th is the Faculty Senate Happy Hour.
* May 11th Senate meeting is in the Business Student Lounge from 9:00-10:30. Afterwards we will have two speakers from Bryn Mawr who will give a talk from 11:00-12:00.
* All In for TCNJ giving campaign is now open to the end of the fiscal year.
* The launch of the Capital Campaign will begin next weekend. Please come and celebrate.

**VISIT FROM PROVOST JACQUELINE TAYLOR AND TREASURER LLOYD RICKETTS**

* Provost Taylor and Treasurer Ricketts gave their annual budget presentation.
* The college is in the midst of planning for next year, but there are many uncertainties.
* They reviewed the budget for next year and discussed how it’s modeled, what it’s based on, etc.
* Discussion and questions.

**REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES**

* For the sake of time, committee reports should be submitted via email to Laurie and they will be sent out to the Senate, rather than having oral reports.
* Reports from committees and Trustees reports are attached (Attachments 1-5)

**BIG ISSUES DOCUMENT**

* Thanks to individuals who worked on the sections of the document and to SEB for putting it all together.
* Discussion.

**Amanda Norvell thanked the following departing Senators for their service:**

Ralph Edelbach, Wayne Heisler, Yifeng Hu, Donka Mirtcheva, David Prensky, Matthew Hall, Jody Eberly, Pierre LeMorvan, Robert McGreevey, Cynthia Paces, Michael Robertson, Piper Kendrix Williams, Tami Jakubowski, Benny Chan, Farshid Safi, Andrea Salgian.

Meeting adjourned at 1:22 pm.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

* May 6, 4 pm, 1855 – *Faculty Senate Happy Hour*
* May 11, 9 am, Business Lounge – *Final Senate meeting of the year*

**Attachment 1**

**CAP Report**

CAP last met on Wednesday April 8 at our regularly scheduled time. Following testimony on and further discussion of Advising Goals and Practices, the Ungraded Option Policy, and a policy on Incomplete Grades, CAP approved final recommendations on all three matters. CAP also approved proposals for a 7-year BA/MD Program in Spanish and a Journalism and Professional Writing BA Degree. CAP is in the process of collecting testimony on an Academic Load Policy with respect to the January, Maymester, and summer terms, as well as its draft recommendation on Undergraduate Certificate Programs (in cooperation with CSCC). CAP is continuing work on charges regarding the College's Writing Requirement and a Public Health Program.

**Attachment 2**

**CFA Report to Faculty Senate Executive Board**

**April 10, 2015**

**Status of Issues in Governance for CFA**

MUSE – referred back to Faculty Student Collaboration Program Council

Sabbatical Leave – RFP and new rubric approved.

Review of PRD – major work deferred until Tenure and Promotion Alignment charge completed

Tenure & Promotion Alignment, Step 1 –

CFA Recommendation to merge Tenure and Promotion to Associate Professor for Faculty, Provost Accepted Recommendation

Tenure & Promotion Alignment, Step 2 –

Options for CPC involvement developed, and testimony gathered at Open Forum on options. Option VI selected and recommended by CFA. Another Open Forum held on Option VI and accompanying time line. Testimony collected and CFA discussed testimony and voted on number of summative reviews and proposed composition of CPTC at March 25, 2015 meeting. Next step is to draft CFA recommendations, review and submit to Provost.

Disciplinary Standards for fall 2015 hires will be reviewed on April 15 by CFA Sub-committee on DS and recommendations for revisions will be discussed at April 22 CFA meeting. Recommendations for revisions will then be forwarded to appropriate departments. Final review of revised DS is scheduled in May if necessary and then approved DS will be reviewed by Council of Deans. Of the departments listed by AA as having fall 2015 hires, CFA has not received revised DS from EASE, IMM and TECH Studies.

Valerie Tucci

Chair, CFA 2014-2015

**Attachment 3**

**CSPP Report**

CSPP is working on reviewing reports from CEL, Mentored Internship, Global Engagement, and Leadership Development task forces.

**Attachment 4**

**CSCC Report**

At our CSCC meeting on Wednesday, April 8th, CSCC finalized our recommendations for the Certificate Approval charge. An open forum was held prior to the April Senate meeting and a second open forum will be held on April 29th.

**Attachment 5**

Board of Trustees Report to Faculty Senate, April 15, 2015

The Board met last on February 24th. The president reported on the Facilities Master Plan, and shared that Phase II of the STEM complex construction would have to be delayed because of the immediate needs in Cromwell and TW. The Brower Student Center construction is due to start in May. Campus Town is on schedule for opening this summer, and there is now a Campus Town II project. This will involve the construction of two more buildings at the Pennington Road end of the site, and will not require funding from the college, but will accommodate the increase in housing demands, as well as transfer students for the first time, and additional special populations of students. She also reported on the “All In” giving campaign which is part of the Comprehensive Campaign, and said that there has been a 29% increase in the number of employees participating. In addition, it is already evident that overall the Comprehensive Campaign will exceed its 12 million dollar goal for this year.

Regarding academic programs, there has been a one-year increase in January term courses and students from 32 to 50, and 214 to 414 respectively. The president also indicated that there would be 23 faculty searches next year. The Academic Affairs Committee also heard a series of reports on the external review of Academic Programs and the Office of Global Studies.

In the area of admissions, there was a 3.7% increase in applicants this year compared to last year, which is very encouraging in light of the decreasing population of college-age students, particularly in the northeast. This increase includes an 11% increase in black applicants and a 9% increase in all other under-represented groups. Finally, there was a 26% increase in ED applicants.

The Board also approved a new BA in African American Studies, and a BS/MAT in Urban Education. In addition, it approved a new 5-week Summer Business Institute which will be launched this summer.

Submitted by Marcia O’Connell and David Blake