**MINUTES**

**April 15, 2020 – 12:00-1:20pm – Held via Zoom**

**In attendance:** Abourahma, Adler, Baker, Bechtel, Becker, Bellino, Bender, Boero, Bowen, Bruno, Burroughs, Bush, Bwire, Curtis, Dempf, Fazio, Fienberg, Gevertz, Grega, Haikes, Knox, Lasher, Leonard, Li, Lovett, Meixner , Morin, Norvell, O’Connor, Pearlstein, Prensky, Salgian, Schwarz, Steele, Tang, Toloudis, Warner-Ault.

**Excused:** Singer.

**Absent:** Borders, Dahling, Tucci.

**Minutes**

* The minutes of the April 1, 2020, meeting were approved as submitted.

**Announcements**

* The Senate elections are ongoing. They close on Friday at midnight.
  + Please note that there were no open seats in Nursing, Health & Exercise Science, and we got one self-nomination for the one seat in Business, so neither of those 2 schools has a ballot.
* Schedule
  + We have one meeting left on May 11th.
  + The final meeting of the semester usually starts at 9:00 am with a speaker to follow, but we have no speaker this year.
  + We will use that date to finish testimony and for a presentation by Kate Foster and Lloyd Ricketts.
* There will be a Senate-sponsored live Q&A with President Foster next Tuesday during the colloquium time.
* Video feeds of meetings and other events will be made available on the Senate website soon.

**Committee on Faculty Affairs – Testimony for Preliminary Recommendation on Modification of Scholarly Expectations for COVID-19**

* Andy Leynes reviewed the current situation.
* We cannot stop the clock without the State of NJ government making that change.
* Questions and discussion.

**Liberal Learning Task Force – Testimony on Preliminary Report**

* Cindy Curtis clarified one aspect of the recommendation and then gave a quick overview of the changes to the report.
* Questions and discussion.
* Please send additional comments to the committee at [llmodels@tcnj.edu](mailto:llmodels@tcnj.edu).

**OER Task Force – Testimony on Preliminary Plan**

* Taras Pavlovsky provided an overview of the preliminary report.
* Per the State’s mandate, the plan outlines how we will increase the use of OERs at TCNJ.
* Questions and discussion.
* A survey went out today to faculty about this preliminary plan. Please respond to it.

**Committee Reports**

* Please send summaries to Laurie, who will attach them to the minutes of this meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 1:20 pm.