

FACULTY SENATE

Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes

Friday, December 9, 2016

1:00 PM until adjournment

DSC B&C

I. Welcome and Roll Call

Present: **CALS**— Cheatham, LeGrand, Douglas, Thibeault, Street, Smith, Kyong-McClain, Barrio-Vilar, Woolbright, Law, Cates. **CB**— Hendon, Leonard. **CEHP**—Oltmans, Otters, Prince, Carmack, Evans, Vander Putten, Stieve, Grover, Finley. **CSSC**—Giammo, Flinn, Golden, Blevins-Knabe, Scranton, Lopez, Matson, Craw. **CEIT**— Sandgren, Tramel, McMillan, Jovanovic, Deangelis. **LAW**—Fitzhugh. **LIBRARY**— Macheak. **ExOFFICIO** - Rogerson, Wright, Anson, McClellan, Nolen.

Absent: **CALS**—. **CB**—Farewell. **CEHP**— Crass. **CSSC**—none. **CEIT** —Berleant. **LAW**— Entrikin, Boles. **LIBRARY**—. **ExOFFICIO**— Donovan

II. Review of Minutes

October 21 2016 approved

III. Introduction of New Topics (2 minute limit)

L Barrio-Villar: Re-instate fall break. Students are very tired and drag through the last of the term.

A Wright: Legislation requires that the calendar committee produce a calendar with fall break and without fall break. They have not produced a calendar with fall break for the last couple of years. The calendar is approved 3 years in advance but is amendable; Calendar committee with need to take up the AY19-20 calendar with and without fall break and should look at bringing calendars for AY 17-18 and AY 18-19 with a fall break.

BBlevins-Knabe: Fayetteville has passed no guns on campus; would UALR be willing to do same; have Jodi come talk about legislation regarding this.

IV. Announcements

Angelina Gallardo on United Way Campaign the campaign has started. Reviewed areas of need and recipients. Watch for email on Monday. There are giving options.

J Hendon: The UW url is non-secure for name and address. Suggests that it be made secure.

AG: Yes, we will do that.

V. Old Business

- A. Motion FS_2016_33.** Honors and Awards Committee. (3/5 Majority Vote at two Meeting, no second required, second vote) Honors and Awards membership changes
Be it resolved to Modify Article III. Of the constitution, Honors and Awards Committee from

All members shall serve one year terms.

To

All members shall serve two year, staggered terms

And be it resolved that the faculty senate executive committee will perform the initial staggering for the AY 17-18 academic year from the existing members of the committee.

A Wright calls Second vote: Motion carries

VI. New Business

- A. Motion FS_2016_37.** Faculty Senate Executive Committee (Legislation. Majority Vote at One Meeting) To approve 2016 Fall Graduates

Be it resolved that those applicants completing all requirements for various degrees in the 2016 Fall Semester shall be approved for graduation. (see attachment 1 (on ualr.edu/facultysenate) for a list of candidates for graduation, current as of 12/2/16).

A Wright calls for vote:
Motion carries

VII. Reports

- A. Chancellor's Report – Andrew Rogerson**

Greetings. We have talked about the importance of enrollment and I have some numbers for you today:

We have reviewed and counted total applications received 1,447; 942 admitted and processed as of today. Spring 2017 enrollment is down over 7.4% right now.

We are striving to make certain those accepted actually come here.

We are not going to proceed immediately with the branding exercise. It is a big change that will cost money and merits considerable planning. We are proposing to accept a slightly revised logo while still accepting the current one (shares the UA Little Rock logo and related concepts).

Are there any questions?

E Anson: Regarding change of Fall 2017 schedule due date from December 16 2016?

AR: We need to get the Fall Schedule out early because this will be part of securing students. We want to recruit them and give them a schedule. However, our first priority is to get students signed up for Spring 2017, though, so I relaxed the deadline for Fall 17 – if you have already done it, thank you. I understand it was confusing and apologize for that. The deadline for Fall 2017 schedule submission is February 1 2017.

Chancellor Rogerson handed out a sample logo to the senate.

K Cates: Re: logo. I think this is not the best decision. Might need more consideration.

AR: No cost associated with this. We will replace as normal needs arise. For now we will be in a holding pattern – sometime down the road when we have accomplished our rebuilding goals we can focus on strengthening the brand.

KC: Should be done deliberately. Include Communications in the development of logo.

B. Provost's Report - Zulma Toro

A Wright: Congratulations Dr Toro on your new position and thank you for all you have done for UALR.

Z Toro: Thankful for the opportunity to work with all of you. You have always done well at whatever is required.

Yesterday we had a fast lane event. It was put together in less than a week in response to the enrollment troubles. To facilitate recruitment of students for Spring. We advised as many students in 4 hours as we normally do in a week. We will do this at least 2x/year from now on.

UALR has a bright future. But: History is history and should be used to inform the future. Some of you have nostalgia for what was years ago. Those are the foundations but we must learn from them, let them go and embrace a new vision and leadership. This is difficult.

For many years I resisted using electronics. Last Christmas, I had a problem which forced me to use an electric vacuum. When I did it, I liked it! This illustrates that we must move forward into new possibilities.

Junior faculty members do not feel comfortable with getting involved. Senior faculty members, please get juniors involved. We must make them comfortable. Set the conditions for them to flourish. Junior faculty members are the future of the institution.

The preparation for HLC requires that we get everyone involved to assure success.

We must embrace the assessment process. These are things to think about so that you can be better.

I wish you the best in making UALR the University of the City of Little Rock.

C. Faculty Professional Development Committee – Lisa Sherwin - posted

D. Faculty Governance Committee – Rosalie Cheatham no report

E. Undergraduate Council – Mike Tramel - posted

F. Graduate Council – Brian Berry - posted

G. Council on Core Curriculum and Policies – Belinda Blevins-Knabe

E Anson: Question about “Common Educational Goal Statements” in Core Council Reports. Is this a motion for the senate?

BBK: No, this is something Core Council has passed as part of its assessment plan. It is not legislation.

E Anson: There are no statements about the knowledge goals.

BBK: No common statements about knowledge were added because knowledge is so specific to discipline. This is an interpretation of the goals of our assessment process. They are to give direction to the curricular area. Each area has a 3 person team, and we have discussed these things with them in our efforts to come up with some common direction while allowing for individuation by disciplines.

We continue to evaluate the assessment process. Areas report summary of what they have done. We want to share the reports with everyone to help us assess the assessment process.

H. Executive Committee Report – Andrew Wright (referral of motion, interpretation of legislation)

1. A Wright Introduces the memo on the interpretation of the International baccalaureate issue (FSM-2016-13). At least three questions need to be resolved. This interpretation is a quick fix. We need to review all pieces of legislation where we give credit for testing so that these pieces work together.

N Jovanovic: Question about stacking credits for different tests.

A Wright: We may need to set a maximum on how many credits can be earned through testing.

R Cheatham: This is an item of business that was not published on an agenda. We need to suspend the rules to add it. Moves to suspend rules, which was seconded.

Motion made to suspend rules carries

Calls vote on Motion to adopt the report from executive committee (no second required) and enact the interpretation of legislation.

Motion carries

2. A Wright: Introduces the memo for choosing faculty reps to the provost search committee (FSM-2016-14).

3. In the Core Council report from November 18, the core council brought a motion to the senate to change the process by which learning outcomes for the core would be modified. Right now, this is faculty senate legislation and the core council wanted to transfer the approval to the core council. Executive Committee convened after the senate meeting and referred this motion back to Core Council for additional work. Since referrals of motions are subject to the consent of the senate, I’m reporting the referral. Are there objections or comments on the motion?

There were no objections.

VIII. Open Forum

None

IX. Adjourn at 2:01 pm. Jane D Evans