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Approved Minutes
Faculty Senate Regular Meeting
Friday, February 5, 2021

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY PRESIDENT CHARLA LEWIS

Roll Call

AE—Stacy Nordquist, Charla Lewis, Tito Aznar

ASN—Dr. Beverly Meyer, Dr. Justin Collins, Daren Stephens

BT—Steve Martin, Kim Smith

REPORTS FROM OFFICERS

Ms. Lewis reported that the FAC had their first meeting and discussed the survey previously distributed. If there is something that the regents need to focus on for OPSU, please let Ms. Lewis know. Ms. Lewis also reported that the president's cabinet met on Monday, February 1.

Mr. Martin reported that the minutes from the January 8 meeting were not ready but would be disseminated this afternoon for approval.

Mr. Martin reported that during the January monthly D2L check-in call the D2L representatives stated that access to our current D2L instance would cease at the expiration of the contract.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

January 8, 2021 minutes approved post meeting via email.

NEW BUSINESS

Faculty Senate Webpage

Ms. Lewis reported unless there were objections, she would have the website updated for faculty senate to provide up-to-date information. There were no objections. Mr. Martin inquired about sending copies of approved minutes to the webmaster to be posted on the faculty senate website. Ms. Lewis replied to send copies for posting.

Resolution Opposing Weapons on Campus

The State Regents provided a sample resolution to OPSU to use in the event that OPSU entities would want to pass a resolution addressing weapons on campus. The legislature desires campuses to make their own decisions about regulating weapons on campus. No action was taken.

OLD BUSINESS

Faculty Senate Constitution Revisions

Mr. Martin reported a voting tool was established and the proposed revisions to the faculty senate constitution were distribute to faculty. Shortly after distribution, additional updates were suggested, primarily, changing the wording “academic schools” to “academic colleges” and in college/school consolidations that the term “department” be used when appropriate. i.e., “education department” instead of “School of Education.” The consensus of the senate was to make the modifications discussed and redistribute the proposed changes to the faculty. Voting for ratification of the constitution changes would be open from Monday, February 22 through Friday, February 26.

Upward Evaluations

Ms. Lewis reported that faculty senate does not desire to be involved in additional committee work and that the senate would provide input when presented with options.

OTHER BUSINESS

Ms. Smith asked if faculty senate had been approached about participating in the Hughes-Strong lobby renovation project. Ms. Lewis reported that the project was in the very early stages and that any assistance would be welcome.

Ms. Smith reported that student government was beginning to work on honors night and asked if any Who’s Who nominations have been provided to faculty senate for approval. Ms. Lewis responded that nothing had been provided yet and she would contact the provost office and add the item to the March meeting agenda. Ms. Lewis also gave an overview of the anticipated renovations.

ADJOURN

Motion by Dr. Collins and second by Mr. Aznar to adjourn. Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by Steve Martin, secretary



Steve Martin, secretary

March 5, 2021

Date



Charla Lewis, president

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