

Faculty Senate Meeting Agenda
11am, Zoom meeting
3/25/2021

Call to Order

1. Review/Approval of 2/18/2021 Summary Notes - approved

Old Business

2. **Faculty Senate Administration Evaluations Subcommittee**
3. **Shared Governance Issues – Strategic Plans**
4. **Shared Governance Evaluation (Middle States, Standard VII)**
5. **Student Government Representation:** Language added to bylaws see new business below
6. **Zoom meetings:** Bylaws updated to allow faculty vote online
7. ***By-Law update/Senate Membership – Revisit***

Senate bylaws were amended:

- to allow for electronic voting
- to add an ex officio member, for student government representation
- R. Weaver will send out the bylaws to everyone for their review prior to the next senate meeting.
- Please send any concerns regarding these changes to B. Mehalik, L. Prest, and R. Weaver
- We hope to have a quick vote during the April meeting to approve these bylaws

New Business

8. **Faculty Senate Integration Subgroup – Difference between campuses**
 - Presented the major difference between CalU, Clarion, and Edinboro Senates:
 - At CalU follow CBA all curricular matters will be handled at UCC but at Clarion and Edinboro Senate is the last step of the curricular process.
 - UCC is housed under Senate at Clarion and Edinboro
 - Clarion and Edinboro hold elections at-large rather than within departments as is done at CalU. Concern that no specific representation from any particular department or discipline is required at Clarion or Edinboro

- Our bylaws state: The senate will be concerned with... curriculum..., so it is realistic that senate can be involved in curriculum approval.
- Prior years in Senate focused on evaluation or leadership
- In most recent year, we have worked to be more of a part of larger decisions being a voice for faculty and change-maker
- Senate integration is in the early stages, just looking at structure
- Deadline for structure to be in place to allow for elections in Spring 22

Feedback from others:

- At other schools, outside of the state system, only the curricula only went to senate if it was a change that involved other departments
- Senators liked departmental representation, and subsenates
- Need more clarity on how new departments will be structured
- Suggested asking some of these questions at the integration meeting may be a way to obtain some answers, but possibly not.
- Another senator offered at their integration meetings, the message was that even if one department, there still will need to be classes offered at each site, don't think it will be centralized that much

9. Opening Discussion – Faculty Senate Role, By-Laws, etc.

As stated above, R. Weaver will send out the bylaw proposal for everyone to review in preparation for a vote at April meeting.

10. Next meetings Spring 2021 – April 29th (Meeting with Interim President Thorn), other meeting dates can be scheduled as needed.

Announcements

- Strike a spark is scheduled for April 21, 2021, combination in-person and online – watch university announcements
- **IMPORTANT!** Email containing Program Array was release this morning. Comments are due by March 31, 2021

Adjournment @ 12:05PM

Recorder: Robin Weaver