CSU FACULTY SENATE MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, November 11, 2017 Library Sun Room

Approval: "DRAFT"

ATTENDANCE:

Philip Beverly, Patrice Boyles, Sarah Buck, Philip Cronce, Nadeem Fazal, Rosalind Fielder, Eddy Gaytan, Gabriel Gomez, Tonya Hall, Soo Kang, Paul Musial, Pat Steinhaus, Jason Raynovich, Alesia Richardson, Chyrese Wolf

GUESTS:

Gabrielle Toth Charlene Snelling

1. CALL TO ORDER p.m.

Presiding, Phillip Beverly Meeting Recorded by William Jason Raynovich

2. MINUTES APPROVED

October 3, 2017 tabled

3. SENATOR SPEECHES

None.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1. Next Regular Senate meeting: December 5, 2017
- 2. Regular CSU Trustees Meeting December 8, 2017

5. Patrice Boyles:

Fulbright Scholarship are going to be on campus. If you are doing an electronic portfolio email Dr. Boyles.

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Senate Committees

- 1. Senate Executive Committee: Phillip Beverly, Chair; No report.
- 2. Academic & Student Affairs: Sarah Buck, Chair

Satasha Green met with the committee. She said that some of the departments have not revised to the new curriculum. There was a concern about paperwork being submitted and completed reasonably; standard definitions for track versus concentration.

- Many of our programs are under scrutiny because of the sanctions. Many of our new programs are on hold until they find out about the results.
- New higher education bill with a new admissions office in Springfield. And "schools of excellence"
- She said that UIC is aggressively targeting our students.

- Low-producing/Low-enrollment report is due
- There will be no Academic Affairs meeting in November.
- Dr. Rowan will not be meeting with the committee about course-cutting. But that course-cutting will be follow the same process that we did this past semester.
- Swimming Pool issue:
- The pool has not be functional for teaching and class. The heater broke in the instructional pool recently and they have been out for a month and a half. There is a concern that the students will not get the hours they need to get the certification. The chemicals issue should have been resolved quickly as we should have had backup.
- Beverly asked if we should have some statement of concern. The students are upset that they are not going to get the education that is intended. There was discussion about changing the location of the class, but that seemed not to be reasonable.
- There is a fee the students have to pay to the Red Cross. There was also a concern that the university did not pay the Red Cross.

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Musial said that it is backwards.

Cronce said that it is ok to refer to a committee.

Wolf: What is the role of the Buildings and Grounds Committee?

Musial: The committee role is to discuss concerns of faculty.

Beverly: Question: Has there been a request of doing an audit for students who have not returned that have 90+ hours?

Buck: No we have not.

Beverly: Could this be helpful especially to the Vallas wing of the university?

Buck: Perhaps. Since the committee is not meeting in November, she can raise the idea to the committee online.

3. Building and Grounds Committee: Paul Musial, Chair Musial: Ms. Horton is coming to the past two meetings. A lot of things being done involves Mr. Vallas.

There is lots of talk about leasing equipment instead of buying equipment. Leasing would save us money and the equipment would be replaced in a more prompt manner and improvement in the university. And Minuteman staffing to get work done. Winter is coming and taken care of the grounds. We are very much understaffed at with facilities. There is talk about bringing some of the laid off staff. There has been some repair and cleaning. We are gearing up for Earth Week, not just Earth Day.

Fielder: What about recycling on campus?

Musial: There are some bins on campus, but we do not make any money on recycling. But if we are doing recycling we need to have the bins cleared.

Fielder: The bin in the copy room is missing.

Musial: It is a building per building issue.

Beverly: We are not in the business to make money as a reminder to Ms. Horton.

Buck: What about the battery replacement?

Cronce: There was a disturbance outside his class that was distracting to instruction. All heavy maintenance is now supposed to be done during the day according to a worker.

- 4. University Budget Committee: Judy Birgin, Chair No Report.
- 5. University Curriculum Coordinating Committee (UCCC): Philip Cronce, Chair Cronce: Dr. Green spoke to his committee as well. He wanted to reiterate. Faculty have to help with the curriculum process. Faculty have to update and supply information to the UCCC. If the faculty promised to update their forms, they should do that.
- 6. University Library Committee: Soo Kang, Chair Kang: We (the library) have a small budget, but we owe back money.

Toth: We have a small allocation. CAO gave a permanent 300,000 permanent allocation to help with purchasing, but they had to pay for past bills. Some of the funds were taken out to pay for salaries. As the institution moves more to online you need to have someone who knows how to deal with some of these issues. The library was really gutted in the layoffs. Toth said that the institution does not provide reference services in the evenings and the weekends. The institution has only three reference librarians and 85 hours or open hours. Our service has dropped because the availability is low. As Dr. Kang said, we have \$50,000 to spend on books this Academic Calendar Year. Toth has been collecting data on other institutions have in their budget for the library budget.

Fielder: The evenings and weekends had been covered by part-time and lecturers in the past, but this year that is not allowed to happen now.

Beverly: Would it help if a letter was sent by this body to the President and the Board of Trustees?

Toth: I think a letter of support might help.

Darga: He met with Vallas on the needs of the library and the funding. The issue with paying last year's bills with this year's budget. Darga was able to secure \$25 fee that was approved by SGA that will help support the budget. He has an overall argument for the needs of the library.

Kang: Would a letter still help?

Darga: Maybe a letter should be sent to Vallas?

Beverly: He said that he would work with Kang on the letter.

Kang: ANOTHER ITEM: CTRE: The funding for CTRE will be available in January. Travel and conference money will be started in January. Why though is this under the library? Kang said that CTRE is supposed to be under faculty, not the library.

Faculty Development had \$125,000 when we changed from Blackboard to Moodle.

Boyle is creating a letter announcing the developments of CTRE. CTRE was changed to a faculty member as per the recommendation of faculty to the President.

7. Senate Social Committee: Dr. Tonya Hall

Dr. Hall: Update: We had an outing with 13 faculty members at Franconello's. Comments that the dinner was priced too high this year. Another comment that it was a nice evening and suggested we should go downtown. Next semester faculty members would like to have an event on campus.

- 8. Shared Governance Committee: Pancho McFarland, Chair No Report.
- 9. University Personnel Committee, Gabriel Gomez, Chair No Report.

B. University Committees

1. UASC

Kay Dawson presented to the Senate. Explained the activities of the committee, including getting data and writing a style guide. The UASC Committee is looking for volunteers to join committees. Email her at HLC@csu.edu

Regarding the notice of sanction: The university has not heard anything yet. The visiting team said that they recommended we go off of sanction.

7. OLD BUSINESS

None

8. NEW BUSINESS

Faculty Senate:

Faculty Excellence Committee from our submitted. Patrice Boyles and Soo Kang would be willing to do serve.

9. NEXT MEETING: December 4, 2017

10. MEETING ADJOURNED: 1:52 p.m.

11. MEETING ACTION ITEMS

DECISIONS MADE

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