

CSU FACULTY SENATE MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, October 1, 2019 Library Auditorium
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ATTENDANCE:

Walid AL-GHOUL, Victor, AKATSA, Sarah, AUSTIN, Judy BIRGEN, Sarah BUCK, Nadeem, FAZAL, Rosalind FIELDER, Eddy GAYTAN, Valerie GOSS, Tonya HALL, Soo KANG, Sandra KARIM, Ann KUZDALE, Deborah LYNCH, Kristy MARDIS, Michael McNICHOLS, Rae-Anne MONTAGUE, Gayle PORTER, William Jason RAYNOVICH, Mohammad SALAHUDDIN, Patricia STEINHAUS, Mohammad, TAUSEEF, Chyrese WOLF,

GUESTS: Leslie Roundtree, Jerrell Henderson, Daniel Hrozencik

Meeting called to order at 12:37

V Goss shared information on the new Senate Moodle site to have minutes and other important information shared with Senators; faculty

Motion to approve May minutes-no discussion; moved and seconded; passed with two abstentions

Motion to approve September minutes-no discussion; moved and seconded; passed with two abstentions

Motion to change agenda moving IBHE report to after Provost presentation

Provost Report:

1. Illinois Innovation Network-CSU submitted a proposal for capital funds to participate (possibly getting \$2.1 million of the \$8 we sought); meeting monthly to discuss collaboration; planning an undergraduate event at state capital-poster presentations; Collaborative coursework concept- EIU opening an online course, CSU students signing up, CSU will get the count; also looking at research collaboration process; questions were asked about the funding (and inequity of funding), the VP of Innovation, who will take over assisting with academic innovation-a role similar to Mark Sudeith's now. This position will replace him when he retires.
2. SGA- did not have their elections in spring 2019 due to multiple problems; CSU has reached out to their national governing body for recommendations-recommendation was to regroup and reestablish; had a Student Town Hall meeting; will be opening up the election process and help them review their constitution; will be a special election for a Student trustee; information is in Cougar Connect for students to access; hoping to have the situation addressed by January; seeking a faculty member to be involved; exploring representation of undergraduate and graduate/professional students.

3. Cannabis Expo was held on 9/28 and was extremely well attended; we are developing non-credit classes leading to a certificate starting in October. State needs a technical assistance center (has a social justice/criminal equity component to it). CSU has been asked to put in a proposal for a technical assistance center. Was asked if there is a health component and she responded that part of our coursework will include an examination of medical and other concerns.
4. Dual enrollment- we have started our first group of 50. Having a parent orientation. Planning for spring. There was great interest in CPS Network 17. She was asked what happens to their first time/full time status. It doesn't change. They would still come in as first time/full time students.

Dan's Report (dhrozenc@csu.edu)

Daniel Hrozencik (Faculty-Mathematics Department) is the CSU faculty representative on the IBHE advisory council. Looking at issues such as dual enrollment, student mental health, merit-based funding. Two recent issues: council recently met with State Rep Dan Brady who informed them that the governor has advised all state agencies to expect a 6% reduction for next year. Also seeking issues that Faculty Senates around the state would like them to discuss. When asked about staving off the exodus of high school students from Illinois institutions of higher education. P. Steinhaus suggested tying this issue to opposition of any 6% cut for Illinois higher ed. (Provost stated that part of AIM High initiative is to focus on keeping these students). V. Goss asked about decisions regarding who should be teaching dual credit courses. This has been discussed on this council.

Committee Reports

1. Executive Committee-V. Goss shared that the Senate Moodle site is already up and functioning. Sending out minutes will include approved minutes with names of attendees. Committees are listed as well. Non-Senators on committees can be added so they can access the information. There is capacity to vote in Moodle for future Senate actions. P. Steinhaus reported that 5 people volunteered to serve on the CSU Strategic Planning Committee. Some concern was raised about the process of selection and it was recommended that a broader consideration of the appropriateness of the role be developed. She also has a request for a Senator to serve on the CTRE. If interested, please contact Patrice Boyles and inform P. Steinhaus.
2. Academic Affairs- This committee needs committee members. S. Buck reported on the last meeting with the International Affairs representatives. There is a new list of language waivers on countries for international students. Freshman applicants now must have an ACT with a certain score. Committee doesn't want to have to notify the government on students who end up with less than the required number of credit hours. They don't have to get CSU insurance if they have it in their country. Still a concern with CSU's English proficiency scores. We are a lot lower and it's the same, no matter what level you are at (i.e. freshman to doctoral).
3. Board of Athletic Affairs- J Shingles did submit a written report. This will be shared next meeting.
4. Building and Grounds- no report

5. Rules and Operations- J. Raynovich. ROC recommends that we suspend the rules temporarily until May 15, 2020 that committee chairs do not have to be Senators. **Motion to accept this recommendation. Motion passed with one abstention.** ROC will be recommending that Senate nominations for officers occur in April and the formal voting procedure will occur in May. This motion will be presented in November. Also there are some by-laws language items that we should consider changing. One is representation. Recommending that we go back to the Department model of representation with disciplines represented. Alternates would become full Senators for a full term if the Senator who left is gone for more than one semester. The department model would start next year if this passes. Rotations would be developed. We continue not to have a quorum. A. Kuzdale raised the issue of the timing of these items for the next meeting. J. Birgen made the case that a smaller Senate perhaps would be a stronger Senate if we have fewer people who were more involved. Motion to review the actual language in November and then vote at the subsequent meeting.
6. Curriculum Committee- K. Mardis is the new chair and A. Van Duzor is the new Secretary.
7. Social Committee- Cooper's Hawk luncheon has been cancelled due to low turnout. Suggested that we have food at one of our FS meeting. This committee is looking for new members. Members are working on their by-laws. Health Walk is being planned for the Spring Semester.

Tuesday, 4/7/20, 11:30-12:15, CSU Faculty Senate Day: Walking for Wellness at the Tracks 3rd Annual Event on 4/21/20 for one of three sessions from 8-9 a.m., 12:45-1:45 p.m., and/or 5-6 p.m.

8. Shared Governance- A.Kuzdale raised the issue of changes in the CSU BOT governance language. P. Steinhaus will send the information and encouraged Senators who have comments to send them to A. Kuzdale and her since the final call for comment is before our next meeting.
9. Technology- no report
10. Library Committee- no report

UPI- The parties are now bringing in a mediator. The next bargaining session is Friday, October 4. Very little progress to report.

Meeting adjourned at 2:13 pm.

Respectfully submitted by D. Lynch, Recording Secretary