Faculty Senate
Meeting Minutes
November 1, 2018
University Center 221

Senators/Representatives in attendance:
Kristen Hague, Josh Butler, Darin Kamstra, Johnny Snyder, Michael Delaney, Lisa Friel-Redifer, Carmine Grieco, Pam Holder, Kelly Krohn-Bevill, Meredith Lyons, Rick Ott, Thomas Walla, Jared Workman, Brian Parry, Chad Middleton, Anne Bledsoe, Jeff Vela

Senators absent:
Chad Middleton

Guests in attendance:
Kurt Haas, Acting Vice President of Academic Affairs; Wayne Smith, Faculty Success Committee

Minutes Recorder: Melinda J. Scott

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL BY SIGN-IN
   The meeting was called to order by President Kristen Hague at 3:31pm. President Hague welcomed guests and reminded senators and guests to sign the circulating Roll Call sheet.

II. APPROVE FACULTY SENATE MINUTES FROM 10/18/18
   Motion: to approve the Senate Minutes of October 18, 2018 with corrections. (Butler/seconded); motion carried unanimously.
   Discussion: In Item VII.C., the third bullet, “Biennial budget review continues and will submitted next spring” should be corrected to read, “Biennial budget review continues and will be submitted next spring.” In Item VII.D., the sentence “Two building projects that are proceeding above the line…” should be corrected to read, “Two building projects are proceeding above the line…”

III. COMMITTEE MINUTES TO APPROVE
   A. Faculty Success Committee Minutes from 4/19/18
      Motion: to approve the Faculty Success Committee Minutes of April 19, 2018. (Butler/seconded); motion carried unanimously.
      Discussion: A typo was noted in the “Committee Meeting” row, “Discussion,” column, second paragraph, second sentence: the word “were” is missing after “Faculty.”
   B. Faculty Success Committee Minutes from 4/26/18
      Motion: to approve the Faculty Success Committee Minutes of April 26, 2018. (Butler/seconded); motion carried unanimously.
      Discussion: The question was asked as to when Tim Casey will be submitting a draft summary statement to Faculty Senate, per second paragraph, “Action” column. Wayne Smith stated that a summary can be prepared for the first faculty senate meeting of spring semester 2019.
   C. Faculty Success Committee Minutes from 9/11/18
      Motion: to approve the Faculty Success Committee Minutes of September 11, 2018. (Workman/seconded); motion carried unanimously.
IV. REPORTS
A. CFAC, Brian Parry
CFAC has voted to institute administrative changes, dissolving the positions of CFAC chair and vice-chair. The administrative responsibilities of these positions now fall to the Department of Higher Education, including organizing meetings, scheduling meeting locations, and taking minutes. CFAC meetings will now occur four times each academic year (versus two times per AY), and two of the meetings will take place via web conference. The aim is to increase the influence CFAC has with the Department of Higher Education. These changes are temporary and CFAC will revisit at the end of the academic year. The CFAC bylaws have been placed in abeyance for this academic year. Parry would prefer a structured transition between CMU CFAC representatives (from incumbent to newly elected) in order to retain and build on CFAC’s organizational history.

B. Vice President, Josh Butler
Butler met with the Distinguished Faculty Award Committee, and the process of selecting the next distinguished faculty member is in progress.

C. Student Government, Jeff Vela
ASG Vice President Vela recounted various student government activities/interests:
• Biennial budget review continues: the last round of proposal hearings is this Friday, and next Friday the objection process will begin
• On November 16th the Allocation Committee votes
• ASG is reviewing budget projections. Although leadership ran on a platform to not raise student fees, a few organizations require financial resources for growth. This may lead to a minimal increase in student fees, no more than 40 cents per student.

D. Executive Committee, Darin Kamstra
Nothing notable to report.

E. Faculty Trustee, Chad Middleton
No report as Faculty Trustee Middleton is absent.

F. President, Kristen Hague
Nothing to report.

G. Update from Academic Affairs, Kurt Haas
Academic Affairs is instituting a “retention committee” (a new incarnation of WGISAS) to address student retention rates. The committee will also investigate how available technology can aid faculty with student records and tracking their progress to graduation.

V. ADJOURN
Motion: to adjourn the Faculty Senate meeting of November 1, 2018
(Butler/seconded).
Meeting adjourned at 3:51pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Melinda J. Scott, Minutes Recorder