

Faculty Senate  
Meeting Minutes  
October 17, 2019  
UC 221

**Senators/Representatives in attendance:**

Johnny Snyder, Kelly Krohn-Bevill, Diana Bailey, David Collins, Michael Delaney, Lisa Friel-Redifer, Carmine Grieco, Pam Holder, Adam Kluck, Rick Ott, Benjamin Reigel, Thomas Walla, Brian Parry, Suzanne Owens, Barbara Borst (proxy for Lauren Cantwell), Angel Bautista

**Senators/Representatives absent:**

Kristen Hague, Josh Butler, Lauren Cantwell

**Guests in attendance:**

Tim Pinnow, Senior Vice President for Strategic Initiatives; Scott Vangemeren, Health Sciences; Jeremy Hawkins, Department Head of Kinesiology

Minutes Recorder: Melinda J. Scott

**I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL BY SIGN-IN**

The meeting was called to order by President Johnny Snyder at 3:30pm. Senators, their proxies and guests were welcomed and all were requested to sign the circulating Roll Call sheet.

**II. CONSENT AGENDA**

A. Library Advisory Committee Minutes, 10/1/2019

B. Graduate Curriculum Committee Minutes, 10/14/2019

**Motion: to receive both items on the consent agenda.  
(Collins/seconded); motion carried unanimously.**

**III. APPROVE FACULTY SENATE MINUTES FROM 10/3/19**

**Motion: to approve the Faculty Senate minutes of October 3, 2019.  
(Owens/seconded); motion carried unanimously.**

**IV. COMMITTEE MINUTES AND REPORTS TO APPROVE**

A. Graduate Curriculum Committee Minutes, 10/14/2019

**Motion: to approve the Graduate Curriculum Committee meeting minutes of October 14, 2019.  
(Kluck/seconded); motion carried unanimously.**

**V. CONTINUING BUSINESS**

A. President-Elect

President Snyder issued another plea to senators for a member of their ranks to serve as president-elect.

**VI. NEW BUSINESS**

A. Ad Hoc Handbook Committee – Appoint members

President Snyder has assembled members to serve on the Ad Hoc Handbook Committee with the charge to examine possible modifications to the following:

- Maternity leave
- Dependent tuition waiver
- Two-day discretionary leave policy

**Motion: to appoint assembled members to form an Ad Hoc Handbook Committee with the mentioned charge.  
(Owens/seconded); motion carried unanimously.**

B. Academic Policies Committee – Assign task (Prior Learning Assessment)

Issues that require attention regarding PLA:

- What percentage of credit may a student earn with regard to their prior experience?
- How much tuition should the student be charged?
- Modification of the workshop course provision

Senator Holder will meet with the Academic Policies Committee to share her knowledge of the preparations in the course provision process.

**Motion: to charge the Academic Policies Committee to investigate the issues above. (Collins/seconded); motion carried unanimously.**

President Snyder excused himself from the meeting due to a pressing appointment and turned it over to Vice President Krohn-Bevill.

## **VII. REPORTS**

**A.** CFAC Report, Brian Parry

No report.

**B.** Vice President Report, Kelly Krohn-Bevill

No report.

**C.** Student Government Report, Vice-President Angel Bautista

ASG has voted to give support to the CMU Rugby Team, Sexual Assault Prevention Week, the Cultural Inclusion Council and the Rowdy Wranglers.

**D.** Executive Committee Report, Kristen Hague

No report.

**E.** Faculty Trustee Report, Suzanne Owens

Owens gave a short presentation to the Board of Trustees regarding the Teacher-Scholar model and how faculty scholarship has changed and continues to evolve. The Board approved an increase in annual leave time for full-time exempt employees to improve ‘employee health and allow employees time to recharge and feel less stressed’. The Board is entertaining an increase in discretionary days that would impact faculty. One idea that has been proposed was that every 5<sup>th</sup> year, a faculty member would be given 5 days of discretionary leave. The Board indicated that they would like faculty to use all of their discretionary leave in one “chunk.”

**F.** President, Johnny Snyder

No report.

**G.** Update from Academic Affairs, Tim Pinnow

Academic Affairs is in the process of revising the D2L course template to make setting up a course easier for faculty. The template has been streamlined and the issue of needing to enter duplicate information has been addressed.

## **VIII. ADJOURN**

**Motion: to adjourn the Faculty Senate meeting of October 17, 2019 (Owens/seconded).**

Meeting adjourned at 4:12pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Melinda J. Scott, Minutes Recorder