



**Faculty Senate
Meeting Minutes
October 15, 2020
Hybrid Meeting: DH 111/Zoom**

Senators/Representatives participating:

David Collins, Ben Reigel, Diana Bailey, Elizabeth Branscum (proxy for William Campbell), Michael Delaney, Ann Gilles, Carmine Grieco, Eli Hall, Adam Kluck, Kelly Krohn-Bevill, Kyle McQuade, Brad Montgomery-Anderson, Rick Ott, Suzanne Owens-Ott, Johnny Snyder; Lauren Cantwell, Logan Taylor, ASG CFO (proxy for Angel Bautista)

Senators/Representatives absent from participation:

None

Guests participating:

Kurt Haas, Vice President of Academic Affairs; Eric Watters, Chair–Faculty Success Committee

Melinda J. Scott, Minutes Recordist

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

President Collins called the meeting to order at 3:33pm. Members present signed the roll call roster and Zoom attendees were noted on the roll call roster by the minutes recordist.

II. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Faculty Success Committee Minutes, September 4, 2020
- B. Faculty Success Committee Minutes, September 18, 2020
- C. Assessment Committee Minutes, September 3, 2020
- D. UCC Minutes, September 24, 2020

**Motion: to receive all items on the consent agenda.
(Montgomery-Anderson/seconded); motion carried unanimously.**

III. APPROVE FACULTY SENATE MINUTES OF OCTOBER 1, 2020

**Motion: to approve the Faculty Senate minutes of October 1, 2020.
(Owens-Ott/seconded); motion carried unanimously.**

IV. COMMITTEE MINUTES AND REPORTS TO APPROVE

No minutes or reports to approve.

V. CONTINUING BUSINESS

A. Faculty Success Events

Chair Watters updated the Senators about the Virtual Faculty/Staff Social hosted by the Faculty Success Committee on Wednesday, September 23, 2020. Attendance was slight compared to face-to-face socials held at The Point last year. Senators discussed various opportunities for collegiality amongst faculty in an attempt to address issues of isolation and morale. One suggestion was to combine the efforts of Teacher-2-Teacher organizers and the Faculty Success Committee. President Collins asked Watters to investigate a partnership. The social will probably return to the 4-5pm time slot and will not be scheduled again until next semester. The Faculty Success Committee continues to work toward establishing the new Collegiality Award.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. CMU Retirement Oversight Committee Appointments

[Handout: “CMU Retirement Oversight Committee: Candidates”]

Laura Glatt requested a list of five candidates from Faculty Senate from which she will select three to serve on the committee. Voting was conducted by Vice President Reigel. The votes of the senators were tallied and the following candidates will be submitted to Laura Glatt.

1. Carlos Baldo, Business
2. Nathan Perry, Business
3. Markus Reitenbach, Mathematics
4. Calvin Hofer, Music
5. Steven Merino, SBS/Stacie Shreiner, Health Sciences (tie)

VII. REPORTS

A. CFAC Report, Brian Parry

No report.

B. Vice President Report, Benjamin Reigel

No report.

C. Student Government Report, Logan Taylor

ASG is sending a student representative to the next CMU Board of Trustees meeting. More students are undergoing Covid-19 testing due to Fall Break. Many students are voicing their displeasure with administration’s decision to hold Spring Break in May.

D. Executive Committee Report, Diana Bailey

No report.

E. Faculty Trustee Report, Suzanne Owens

No report. The Board of Trustees meets tomorrow, October 16, 2020.

F. President’s Report, David Collins

No report.

G. VPAA Report, Kurt Haas

Haas informed senators of Open Educational Resources (OER) grant funding available for faculty. Haas detailed the aims of OER and how the grant monies support a project proposed by a faculty member. CMU has been very successful in garnering these funds.

Haas is working on collecting best practices for face-to-face teaching. He is also developing surveys for gathering data on teaching challenges and the student experience under Covid conditions. Haas is holding meetings in the next few weeks for input on shaping the surveys. Contact him to attend.

The Student Conduct Board is seeking faculty representatives. Please contact Liz Howell if you are interested in serving on this board.

VIII. ADJOURN

**Motion: to adjourn the Faculty Senate meeting of October 15, 2020
(Owens-Ott)**

Meeting adjourned at 4:23pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Melinda J. Scott, Minutes Recorder