

Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes November 5, 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, Brian Parry, Laureen Cantwell, Logan Taylor, ASG CFO (proxy for Angel Bautista)

Senators/Representatives absent from participation:

Johnny Snyder

Guests participating:

Kurt Haas, Vice President of Academic Affairs; Eric Watters, Chair–Faculty Success Committee; Eric Elliott, Undergraduate Curriculum Committee; Chris Penick, Assessment Committee; Tamra Aguirre, Professional Staff Assistant–Montrose; Stacy Dollar, Aviation Tech Program Director–WCCC; Ann McDonald, Distance Learning & Technology Committee

Melinda J. Scott, Minutes Recordist

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

President Collins called the meeting to order at 3:31pm. 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.** Graduate Curriculum Committee Minutes, October 7, 2020
- **B.** WCCC Curriculum Committee Minutes, October 20, 2020
- C. UCC Minutes (plus attachment), October 22, 2020
- **D.** Course Evaluation Committee Minutes, October 15, 2020

Motion: to receive all items on the consent agenda.

(Ott/seconded); motion carried unanimously.

President Collins noted that these minutes will be discussed in detail at the next Faculty Senate meeting.

III. APPROVE FACULTY SENATE MINUTES OF OCTOBER 15, 2020

Motion: to approve the Faculty Senate minutes of October 15, 2020.

(Delaney/seconded); motion carried unanimously.

IV. COMMITTEE MINUTES AND REPORTS TO APPROVE

- A. Faculty Success Committee Minutes, September 4, 2020
- **B.** Faculty Success Committee Minutes, September 18, 2020

Motion: to approve the Faculty Success Committee Minutes of September 4, 2020 and September 18, 2020.

(Delaney/seconded); motion carried unanimously.

C. Assessment Committee Minutes, September 3, 2020

Motion: to approve the Assessment Committee Minutes of September 3, 2020. (Bailey/seconded); motion carried unanimously.

D. UCC Minutes, September 24, 2020

Motion: to approve the UCC Minutes of September 24, 2020. (Hall/seconded); motion carried unanimously.

V. CONTINUING BUSINESS

A. Faculty Senate President-Elect

President Collins issued a plea to the senators to find candidates to fill this position.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

Student Academic Engagement, Fall 2020 Semester

President Collins wants more data with regards to the successes and challenges of student engagement under "Covid-19" conditions. He proposed an ad hoc committee to survey faculty, with consideration given to classroom management, teaching struggles/solutions, etc. It may be that Teacher-2-Teacher may be collecting similar data, so the committee would do best to consult them prior to administering a survey. Information collected may be categorical evidence and anecdotal reports.

Motion: to assemble a committee with the charge of surveying faculty over winter break with regard to student engagement in class during the Fall 20 term; this committee will analyze the data collected and present its findings to the senate.

(Reigel/seconded); motion carried unanimously.

Discussion: President Collins suggested the committee be comprised of three groups of two drawn from faculty members representing the soft sciences, the hard sciences and the liberal arts (to include fine arts and humanities). A fourth group of two would have a representative from WCCC and the library.

VII. REPORTS

A. CFAC Report, Brian Parry

No report, as CFAC meets next week.

Parry issued an invitation to Faculty Senate members and requested that they pass along to their colleagues. Colorado's Institute of Higher Education is holding a statewide forum on Friday, November 13, from 11am to 12noon. Please invite your departments to participate.

B. Vice President Report, Benjamin Reigel

No report.

C. Student Government Report, Logan Taylor

ASG's Bi-Annual Review process is complete. They are decreasing the amount of funding student groups may request.

D. Executive Committee Report, Diana Bailey No report.

E. Faculty Trustee Report, Suzanne Owens-Ott

The Board of Trustees met October 16, 2020. The board expressed its appreciation for CMU faculty and staff. Owens-Ott gave a presentation to the board on the protocols for student advising. A full account of the meeting is available to senators on the R: drive within the 11.5.20 meeting folder. The document is named Summary of the Board of Trustees Meeting 10-16-2020.

F. President's Report, David Collins

Of the candidates submitted to Laura Glatt for consideration of serving on the CMU Retirement Oversight Committee, two were chosen: Stacie Schreiner and Nathan Perry.

G. VPAA Report, Kurt Haas

Haas informed senators that the withdrawal deadline is being moved to December 4th.

He urged senators to relay to their colleagues the need to encourage their freshman advisees to register and suggested that they touch base with each of them.

The campus cap for infections is set at 15% of the population before administration sets in motion stricter protocols that affect faculty, students and staff. The Safety Team is expecting a "bump" in counts after Thanksgiving Break subsequently affecting December graduation plans. Currently the plan is for two outdoor commencement ceremonies on December 11.

VIII. ADJOURN

Motion: to adjourn the Faculty Senate meeting of October 15, 2020 (Hall)

Meeting adjourned at 4:16pm.

Respectfully submitted, Melinda J. Scott, Minutes Recorder