



Minutes of the
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE FACULTY SENATE
December 17, 2021

APPROVED

PRESENT: Lacey Craft, Will Dalrymple, Alexandra Doyle Bauer, Molly Faulkner, Jenny Fererro, Sergio Hernandez, Teresa Laughlin, Beatrice Manneh, Adam Meehan, Ben Mudgett, Scott Nelson, Wendy Nelson, Tanessa Sanchez, Fari Towfiq, Rocco Versaci, Anastasia Zavodny

ABSENT: Eduardo Aguilar, Erin Hiro, Jason Jarvinen, Lawrence Lawson, Leigh Marshall, Susan Miller, Candace Rose, Reza Wrathall, Roxanna Vega (ASG)

GUESTS: Cheryl Kearse

Please note: All votes are presumed unanimous unless indicated otherwise.

CALL TO ORDER The video conference meeting was called to order by Senate President Rocco Versaci at 12 Noon.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Cheryl Kearse thanked Faculty Senate for holding a special meeting today to approve the last curriculum of the semester. Kearse went on to thank Curriculum Co-Chair, Senator Wendy Nelson, Senator and Articulation Officer Ben Mudgett and the Curriculum technical writer and requisite guru, Senator Candace Rose. Kearse said that she, along with these three Senators, make up Tech Review. This group has touched each and every item of curriculum that's come through the approval processes. This group utilizes an equity lens to include all faculty. With a student centered focus, this group looks at approximately 203 course changes and new courses, 77 course reviews and DE approvals and approximately 35 or so program changes, deactivations and everything that has to do with programs. Tech review is not over yet. Senators Nelson, Mudgett and Rose believe in us, the students and they also have this institution's best interests at heart.

Senator Wendy reminded Senators that she sent out the Strong Workforce invitation this week to all faculty and encouraged interested faculty to sign up right away.

ACTION

A. Curriculum

Motion 1 MSC: W. Nelson/Towfiq

Faculty Senate approval of Curriculum actions taken on December 15, 2021 (see Exhibit 1).

The motion carried.

Senator Nelson recognized Cheryl Kearse for her work and efforts as part of the Tech Review team.

Senate President Rocco Versaci provided a quick update to the faculty hiring situation saying that he and VP Fererro met President Rivera-Lacey yesterday. The President kept referring to legal, assuming the district lawyer, but it also sounded like maybe she's bringing a new lawyer in to get a fresh perspective on this issue. What was decided at this meeting is to take all the faculty material out of AP 7120 and in its place would be a reference to the Faculty Hiring Procedures. VP Fererro found an AP on Curriculum that essentially does just that... acknowledging it's an A&P matter and falls under Faculty Senate purview. This will require a revision of what we already approved and getting any material from AP 7120 that pertains to faculty removed that's not already in the Faculty Hiring Procedures. He and Fererro will be working on this over the break and will bring it back to Senate next semester.

In the meantime, with the Africana Studies position, they are using the two-level interview process that will be part of the new procedures.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 12:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Molly Faulkner

Molly Faulkner, Secretary