

Chicago State University Faculty Senate

Meeting Minutes

April 6, 2021

12:30 via Zoom

Present: Pat Steinhaus (President), Valerie Goss (Vice-President), Sarah Buck (Recording Secretary), Gabrielle Toth (Corresponding Secretary), Tonya Hall, Deb Lynch, Gayle Porter, Leslie Baker Kimmons, Nancy Grim, William Jason Raynovich, Eddy Gaytan, Asmamaw Yimer, Jubilee Dickson, Rae-Anne Montague, Robert Richter, Michael McNicholas, Soo Kang, Yashika Watkins, Olanipekun Laosebikan, Alesia Richardson, John Chern, Deborah Harper Brown, Rosalind Fielder, Byung-In Seo, Walid Al-Ghoul, Chyrese Wolf, Azungwe Kwembe, Yakubu Ubangiji, President Z. Scott, Provost Leslie Roundtree, Joanna Kolendo, Kristy Mardis, Tatjana Petrova, Hafeez Faridi, June Shingles

- A. Call to order 12:32
- B. Tabled Actions 12:30-12:32
 - a. Grim moved to move tabled actions to old business, McNicholas seconded > motion passes with 1 no and 1 abstain
- C. Agenda 12:32-12:34
 - a. McNicholas moved to accept agenda, Goss seconded > motion passes with 1 no
- D. Approval of March Minutes 12:34-12:36
 - a. Goss moved to approve minutes, McNicholas seconded > motion carries with 3 abstentions
- E. President Scott's Update to the Faculty Senate 12:36-1:16
 - a. CSU Mass Vaccination Site- spearheaded by CORE and Howard Brown Health Center
 - i. 70% of vaccine recipients at the site are African American thus far
 - ii. At full capacity, serves 1200 walk up and 1000 drive-thru per day, 6 days per week
 - b. Plan to announce next week a "return to campus" for all staff, and announce operating plan this week. Expect more in-person classes and more student activities, leasing the property
 - c. COVID dashboard released weekly; take free COVID testing on MF morning and W afternoon until end of summer
 - d. Faculty are eligible to get vaccine at CSU
 - e. Received CARES Act funding: making emergency grants available. Already, over 1300 students have applied. Encourage your students to apply (on Cougar Connect).
 - f. Institute for Solutions of Urban Populations- led by Provost Roundtree. Awarded \$2.8M in capital funding to construct 26K square feet of space in Douglas Hall. Work will center around permanence of health and well-being. Looking for other community grants.
 - g. Center for Education Equity- looking for a director

- h. New VP of Enrollment Management: Andrea Welch
 - i. President appointed to the BOT for the Shedd Aquarium
 - j. Child care center: planned opening in early September
 - k. Some classrooms are being looked at for updates (e.g., technology). Received \$50000 donation specifically targeted to academic space. Renovation projects being eyed in SUB. Sidewalks and parking lots are also on the to-do list. Pool on target to be open according to timeline in the fall (discussion with Tim O'Connell about a plan B)
 - l. Budget for 2021-2022 and filling vacant positions: President is meeting with CFO later today
- Provost: working on pathway agreements with community colleges, and HBCU's for graduate students
 - Working group sessions with faculty on the 4th Wednesdays

F. Old Business

1:16-1:20

- a. Raynovich moved to take tabled item 1 off the table, Hall seconded > motion passes unanimously
 - i. Proposal 1: All actions conducted by the Shared Governance Committee on February 12, 2021 are considered nullified by the FS and must be reconsidered at the next meeting of the Shared Governance Committee
 - ii. Motion carries with 2 no and 5 abstain
- b. Raynovich moved to take tabled item 2 off the table, Grim seconded > motion passes unanimously
 - i. Proposal 2: The Shared Governance follows the bylaws as approved during the September 2020 meeting of the Shared Governance as proven by agenda item 3.2.0
 - ii. Motion carries with 1 no and 6 abstain
 - iii. Note that committee by-laws should be submitted to the ROC

G. Standing Committee Reports

1) Executive Committee

1: 20-1:25

- Shared Governance- Ad Hoc Shared Governance project moving forward. Meeting 4/14 with the President and Provost to discuss the SG document.
- Ad Hoc Research Committee- met 4/4. Will be sending a faculty poll accessing information about your research interests and what supports and needs you have
- Faculty Senate Bylaws- under review. The Exec Comm and Raynovich are working with a consultant (not paid)
- Proposal from APERC- concerning cost-study analysis presented in program reviews. Programs look like they are significantly more expensive than average. Proposal is regarding scheduling a meeting in April with the Provost, IER, and related others regarding the cost of programs.
 - Steinhaus moved to accept the proposal, Raynovich seconded > motion carries unanimously

2) Building and Grounds

1:25-1:27

- a. Tree Campus plan involves an Arbor Day event on April 30. Considering planting a tree for retiring professor. Hard cap of 25 people.
- b. Childcare Center involves renovating first floor of COE. Prioritizes students with children, but may be opportunities for staff

3) Academic Affairs Committee

1:27-1:32

- a. Motion to request that the administration provide a written statement that clarifies its position on vaccinations, masking, social distancing, and additional public health safety measures and the ways in which CDC guidance is informing reopening plans as they pertain to public spaces and educational settings. The faculty should be informed and engaged in the process of scheduling courses for face-to-face instruction to ensure sufficient time for cleaning spaces in the plan to open campus.
- b. Report serves as a motion, McNicholas seconded > motion carries unanimously

4) University Curriculum Coordinating Committee

1:32-1:34

- a. Discussion regarding curriculum issues and percent of programs that are online if F2F classes are pushed to remote in the fall. Committee requested from Chairs the CAPP form.

5) Rules and Operations Committee

1:34-1:40

- Department Elections Report
 - Raynovich has created a spreadsheet based on information he has received from departments on elections. Committee needs to review and confirm
- Senate Officer Nominations
 - Steinhaus nominated Toth for Corresponding Secretary
 - Goss nominated Buck for Recording Secretary
 - Elections will be held at May meeting
- ROC will be having elections to join the committee. Email wraynovi@csu.edu

H. Shared Governance Committee

1:40-1:43

- a. Bylaws have been posted on the FS Moodle shell
- b. Meeting minutes will be posted by the end of the semester
- c. Committee has been working with CSU admin and FS Exec Comm to create shared governance document
- d. Next meeting April 30 at 3pm

I. Report from UPI

1:43-1:48

- a. UPI Report: 1. Elections occurs g now-ballots mailed out yesterday; 2. candidate forum-Thurs 4/8@ 5pm; chapter will be initiating discussions on MOU for fall CSU planning

J. New Business and/or Old Business

1:48-1:53

Request for support from the CTRE Advisory Board

- Letter regarding function of CTRE was distributed to faculty
- Report serves as a motion, McNicholas seconded> motion carries unanimously

K. Senator Speeches (1 minute)

1:53-2:00

- a. NA

