

Chicago State University Faculty Senate

Meeting Agenda

March 2, 2021

12:30 via Zoom

Present: Patricia Steinhaus (President), Valerie Goss (Vice-President), Sarah Buck (Recording Secretary), Gabrielle Toth (Corresponding Secretary), Michael McNicholas, William Jason Raynovich, Deb Lynch, Robert Richter, Rupa Potti, Asmamaw Yimer, Mohhamad Salahuddin, Soo Kang, Alesia Richardson, Jubilee Dickson, Judith Birgen, Walid Al-Ghoul, Hafeez Faridi, Edward Ofori, Rae-Anne Montague, Chyrese Wolf, Deborah Harper Brown, Byung-In Seo, Ahmed Abu Fayyad

Guest: Mary Daniels, Nadeem Fazal, Kristy Mardis, Gayle Porter, Paul Pearson, John Chern, Rosalind Fielder

- A. Call to order 12:32
McNicholas moved to approve amended agenda from 3-2-21, Richardson seconded > motion approved with one abstention
- B. Approval of February Minutes 12:30-12:35
- a. Jubilee Dickson is a Senator, not a Guest.
 - b. Fielder is not a Senator (Editor's note: Fielder was not listed on the present list as either a Senator or Guest)
 - c. McNicholas moved to approve amended minutes, Dickson seconded > motion approved with one abstention
- C. Provost's Report to the Faculty Senate (M. Daniels) 12:35-12:55
- a. Confirmed dates for HLC visit: February 27-28, 2023
 - b. Summer/fall course planning: Senior leadership is considering opening the campus more. Provost encourages faculty to think about course modalities for fall 2021. Which courses would you like to retain as hybrid/fully remote? For summer, faculty should consider offering hybrid.
 - c. Moving courses to online will likely require Curriculum Committee and Distance Learning Community approvals. There is a meeting 3/4 to come up with an expedited process for courses that already exist (not new courses). Faculty expressed concern about moving this forward in a timely manner. Remember that a department can only have a percentage of their courses to be online if they are not an online program.
 - d. Deadline for faculty to indicate what format they want to teach? Unclear
 - e. CSU Vaccination Process? State has not yet made a recommendation to vaccinate Higher Ed. CSU partnering with Roseland Hospital to use leftover vaccines at the end of the day if they can make it there within 30 minutes
 - f. 2021 Code of Conduct Certification? Daniels will investigate its origin. What are the consequences for not completing?
 - g. Regarding the vaccine, it is possible that employers may be able to require employees to get vaccine, but currently does not extend to students
 - h. How to update the faculty about issues related to Covid? Should be shared in multiple ways, such as through FS email listserv, town hall meeting

D. Standing Committee Reports

- 1) Executive Committee Report and Updates 12: 55-1:05
 Shared Governance
- Members of SG and FS Executive Committee met to develop language for shared governance for CSU
- Ad Hoc Research Committee
- Met 2/4/21 with approximately 20 participants
 - Next meeting 3/4/21. Steinhaus will send out a link
 - Two subgroups: existing resources/needs, and a survey of the faculty's research interests
- Honorary Faculty Grand Marshall
- Approved Robert Szyman to be Honorary Faculty Grand Marshall at last FS meeting
 - A process is being developed for nominating persons in the future
- Faculty Senate Committees/Committee Bylaws/Record Keeping/Senate Bylaws
- All committees need to have bylaws submitted as soon as possible (consider including language about attendance)
 - Attendance on FS committees is expected
 - Committee minutes should be posted in Moodle (Goss demonstrated where these should be posted). If you do not see the Faculty Senate page in your Moodle shell, do a search and/or contact Patrice Boyles
- 2) Academic Affairs Committee 1:05-1:09
- a. Faculty-wide course cut meeting scheduled for March 30 at 12:30. Provost was provided with key questions from faculty
- 3) Board of Athletic Advisors 1:09-1:12
- a. A podcast was done for Fred Evans, swimmer from CSU and gold medalist for Black History Month
- 4) Buildings and Grounds Committee 1:12-1:15
- a. Students from SGA in attendance: provided multiple issues (e.g., bathroom cleanliness, parking lots repair, water issues in dorms [brown], cannot obtain drinking water after cafeteria closes, upset about new banners by 95th because they felt that that money would be better spent on maintenance
 - b. Facilities was not in attendance
 - c. Tree Campus application due by the end of the year. Karel Jacobs is planning an Arbor Day event (part of the application)
- 5) University Curriculum Coordinating Committee No report
- a. Did not meet
- 6) Library Committee 1:15-1:18
- a. No report
- 7) Rules and Operations Committee 1:18-1:28
 Department Elections
- Discussed which departments will be needing elections, taking into consideration mergers
 - A new organizational chart must be developed

- Departments should have elections in March so that Senators are in place for officer nominations/elections in April/May
 - Davis: Department of Geography, Sociology, & History, African American Studies, and Anthropology (responded)
 - Dean-Ousley: Department of Nursing (Responded)
 - Mardis/Garcia-Solis: Department of Chemistry and Physics (Responded)
 - Snelling: Library (Responded)
 - Kutame: Department of Health Education, Physical Education, and Recreation (Responded)
 - Austin: Department of Occupational Therapy (DID NOT RESPOND Chairperson unclear)
 - Luseno: Department of Advanced Studies (Responded)
 - Jiles: Department of Education Studies (Responded)
 - Marshall: Department of Pharmacy Practice (Responded)
 - Gana: Department of Biology (DID NOT RESPOND)

Upcoming Senate Officer Nominations

Submitted proposals

- Action Item 1: McNicholas moved to table for 30 days pending a March 5 meeting with related constituents, Raynovich seconded > vote not needed
- Action Item 2: McNicholas moved to table for 30 days pending a March 5 meeting with related constituents, Raynovich seconded > vote not needed

8) Shared Governance Committee 1:28-1:33
 a. Report submitted, but tabled due to Chair illness

9) Technology Committee 1:33-1:36
 a. Participated in a demonstration by Interfolio given difficulties with Digital Measures. More flexible cost than DM. Do not have to download files to view. Kang will provide updates

E. Ad Hoc Research Committee Report 1:36-1:40
 a. Subcommittee 2 putting together survey for research interests of those on the committee.
 b. If you are interested in joining the Thursday meeting, and you do not receive the link, contact Steinhaus

F. APERC 1:40-1:43
 a. APERC has concerns about how the cost study analysis is calculated, especially in regards to how administrative costs are split between various programs. This has serious implications for programs that may be up for the consideration of elimination.
 b. Buck will be conduit to FS Executive Committee for further discussion

G. Report from UPI 1:43-1:46
 a. Departments still receiving negative feedback from administration regarding DAC. If this is you, contact Lynch
 b. Chapter and Local are having elections. This is the final week for nominations. See Rosalind Fielder (nomination committee Chair)
 c. Union will be engaging this spring in updating Covid-19 MOU for fall

- H. New Business and/or Old Business 1:46-1:52
- Equity Working Group for Black Student Access and Success in Illinois Higher Education (Goss)
 - Group has other CSU administrators, local (to CSU) legislators, administrators from other universities, students across the state
 - Discussion topics include retention, persistence, enrollment patterns, labor markets, corporate entities involved with the enterprise of creating equity
 - State-wide effort, but Center will be housed at CSU
- I. Senator Comments/Speeches (2 minutes each) 1:52-2:00
- a. None
- J. Adjournment 1:59