MARQUETTE UNIVERSITY
University Academic Senate Minutes
May 7, 2018
3:00 – 5:00 p.m.
AMU, Ballroom CD

Members in attendance: Dr. Allison Abbott, Dr. Julia Azari, Ms. Ashlie Benson, Ms. Katie Blank, Mr. Bruce Boyden, Dr. Joshua Burns, Dr. Sumana Chattopadhyay, Mr. Michael Danduran, Dr. Kim Factor, Dr. Marilyn Frenn, Dr. Ana Garner, Mr. Kurt Gering, Dr. Arndt Guentsch, Dr. Todd Hernandez, Dr. Brian Hodgson, Dr. Rick Holz, Dr. Yasser Khaled, Dr. Kristof Kipp, Mr. Patrick Loftis, Dr. Cheryl Maranto, Dr. Tim Melchert, Dr. Dan Myers, Dr. Michelle Mylnieff, Dr. Paul Nolette, Dr. Anne Pasero, Dr. James Richie, Dr. Margaret Sebern, Dr. John Su, Dr. Brian Till, Dr. Doris Walker-Dalhouse, Mrs. Janice Welburn, Ms. Mary Jo Wiemiller, Dr. Susan Wood, Dr. Doug Woods, Ms. Jean Zanoni

Members excused: Dr. Abir Bekhet, Dr. Jeff Berry, Mr. Jake Hanauer, Dr. Javier Ibanez-Noe, Dr. Jennica Webster, Dr. Wanda Zemler-Cizewski

Members not in attendance: Dr. Kimo Ah Yun, Ms. Iman Ajaz, Dr. Joseph Domblesky, Ms. Melissa Meyler-Warlow, Dr. Therese Novotny, Mr. Michael Odden, Dr. David Papke, Dr. Madeline Schmidt, Mr. Benjamin Vazirani

Guests: Ms. Valerie Beech, Dr. Ed Blumenthal, Ms. Sandi Cleveland, Dr. Kerry Egdorf, Dr. Cynthia Ellwood, Dr. Laurieann Klockow, Dr. Ken Knetzger, Dr. Joshua Knox, Dr. Gary Krenz, Dr. Cecilia Landin, Ms. Erin Napier, Dr. Sharron Ronco, Dr. Jame Schaefer, Dr. Michael Slattery, Mr. Doug Smith, Dr. Erik Ugland, Ms. Toni Uhrich

I. Call to Order by Dr. Cheryl Maranto at 3:04 pm.

II. Reflection was given by Dr. Kristoff Kipp.

III. Approval of April 16, 2018 minutes
- Motion to approve: Dr. Tim Melchert
- Second: Dr. Brian Hodgson
- Passed by unanimous voice vote

IV. Chair’s Report – Dr. Cheryl Maranto
- Welcome new Senators and UAS leadership
  - Thank existing for service; introduction and welcome of new
- Kristoff Kipp will serve on search committee for assessment director
- Forming a committee to review how to recognize and reward service; seeking reps from each college and from University P&T committee.
  - Joint committee of University Academic Senate, Diversity & Equity, and the Office of the Provost
  - Have reps from Communication, Law, Arts & Sciences, Education, Health Sciences, Business, Promotion & Tenure; need reps from Engineering, Dentistry, Nursing
  - Will begin meeting in fall
- Representatives of UAS Executive Committee met with members of the Trustee Committee on Academic Excellence
  - Highlighted Senate and Faculty Hearing Committee role in the McAdams case
  - Continuing wave of retirements and the challenges with replacing
    - Difficulties recruiting with non-competitive salaries and/or startup packages
    - Inadequate funding of high performance computing cluster
    - Insufficient/outdated vivarium space for biological research
Encouraged establishment of competitive funding pools for
- Spousal and partner hires
- Diverse candidates (opportunity hires)
- One-year replacement to cover tenure buyouts

More resources to enhance teaching
- CTL
- Faculty development and tech support for online teaching

Adequate resourcing of M12 initiatives
- International and first-generation students
- Concern about spreading ourselves too thin financially

Invited one or more committee members to attend a meeting of Academic Senate

V. Vice Chair Report – Dr. Michelle Mynlieff
- Recognition of service and thank you to the following:
  - Dale Kaser upon his retirement; does so much for Senate that many don’t realize; is hard to imagine Senate without him.
  - Mary Jo Wiemiller for her two years of service as secretary.
  - Cheryl Maranto for her service to Senate, especially the three years she has served as Chair. Cheryl has always been a strong advocate for faculty.

VI. Secretary’s Report – Mrs. Mary Jo Wiemiller
- Provided a list of Senate membership for 2018-19; highlighted new leadership/executive committee members
- Thank you to Dale Kaser and Deb Reeder for all their support

VII. Provost’s Report – Dr. Dan Myers, Provost
- Also Recognizing Mary Jo, Cheryl, Dale
- Enrollment Update
  - Undergraduate
    - Bumper crop. Kudos to enrollment group. 2217 deposits for fall; biggest class in history of university if the final numbers come in there. Will be some summer melt, but this should stand as a very good year.
    - The diversity numbers, while very good, are not what we were hoping for. African American deposits are down from last year. All was looking good and doing well until last week, but yield has proven difficult.
  - Graduate
    - Still looking good for fall.
    - GSM up in summer and up substantially for fall; have really worked to matriculate the students; applications are not up, but the yield is up a lot.
  - Discount rate
    - Still working on these calculations but should come in right at our goal.
  - Result of enrollment, tuition, discount, etc. will be that we are well ahead of the revenue goal.
- Beyond Boundaries steering committee
  - Has been working on putting M12 and Beyond Boundaries into one Beyond Boundaries set of initiatives and themes.
  - Have created a leadership team of six BB theme leaders: Dan Myers for academics, William Welburn for inclusion, Dan Bergen for engagement, Jeanne Hossenlopp for research, Joel Pogodzinski for sustainability, and Xavier Cole for hearts and minds. Should help us get more focused on the strategic planning implementation phase.
Presentation to the board committee was well received with positive reactions. Board committee took what they heard seriously and really seemed to support.
  o Committee shared two items with the full board, the compensation salary and start-up packages (pushed Board to attend more fully to this) and the support for spousal and partner hiring.
  o Provost has triggered a task force to work on this during the next academic year. Gary Meyer will chair the task force and will soon be populating. Dr. Allison Abbott will represent Senate on that committee.

VIII. Environmental Sustainability – Dr. Jame Schaefer
  • Presentation
  • Discussion/Questions:
    o Core may be the structure that helps us achieve a truly interdisciplinary curriculum.

IX. Marquette Core Curriculum Committee – Dr. John Su

Motion to Approve:
New statute to replace Statutes of the University Academic Senate, Article 4, Section 2.02.1

Discussion/Questions:
  o Result of statute change is a smaller core curriculum committee with a slightly larger core advisory group

Passed by hand vote: 33 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstentions


Motion to Approve:
  • Changed introduction following last month’s discussion
  • Reviewed national policy and found that approach to medical situations was all over the board.
    o Revision for consideration saves the current policy, with no distinction between excused and unexcused absences
    o Removes confusing language that does not need to be there – removes info on grades
    o Ambiguity that faculty “may” allow for make-up work. The re-write of these paragraphs removes the ambiguity.
  • Will try to revisit for more substantive changes in the fall.
  • Discussion/Questions:
    o Request came from faculty that have courses with high enrollment of freshmen; this revision should help.
      • Other university-sponsored-events includes hospitalization, etc. Sentence says “events/circumstances” – shouldn’t circumstances be covered elsewhere and separately from these events. Could split up events that are university-sponsored and reference examples of additional circumstances, making events separately referenced.
      • We have a bulletin deadline, and that is the reason for passing this now and then revisiting in the fall. More extensive changes will come back to the Senate. Will continue to work with colleagues on medical, sponsored, etc.
      • Some ambiguity remains around exactly what are considered university-sponsored events (e.g. clubs, etc.). Review in next year will seek to provide more clarity.

With modification discussed regarding events:
Passed by hand vote: _33 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstentions_
XI. University Board for Student Media – Dr. Erik Ugland, Chair

Motion to Approve:
Amend Statutes of the University Academic Senate, Article 4: Standing Committees, Section 3.03
- There was no further discussion of this item.
Passed by hand vote: 33 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstentions

XII. Faculty Council – Mr. Kurt Gering, Chair

Statutes of the University Academic Senate

- Specifically discussed representation model at the previous meeting, asking that Senate members obtain feedback from their respective colleges.
  - Communication: indicated they want equal representation and feel the new model would decrease that representation; while they have concern over being spread thin by service requirements, do not want to lose representation; prefers to keep 2 representatives in order to keep equal representation; would have some concern if they stayed at 2 and everyone else jumped up as this still creates unequal representation.
  - Education: has no feedback; was not discussed in faculty meeting; would need better information before offering comments.
- Representatives were asked to obtain feedback from all colleges

XIII. Committee Annual Reports (Executive Summaries)

Committee annual reports are available on the Office of the Provost website under Academic Senate: http://www.marquette.edu/academicsenate/annual-reports.shtml

a. Faculty Council, Mr. Kurt Gering, Chair
b. Board of Student Media, Dr. Erik Ugland, Chair
c. Committee on Academic Technology, Dr. Gary Krenz, Chair
d. Committee on Committees and Elections
e. Committee on Research
f. Committee on Teaching, Dr. Cynthia Ellwood, Chair
g. Committee on Diversity and Equity, Dr. Joshua Knox, Chair
h. University Assessment Committee, Dr. Sharron Ronco, Chair
i. University Board of Graduate Studies, Dr. Allison Abbott, Chair
j. University Board of Undergraduate Studies, Dr. Michael Slattery
k. University Library Board, Dr. Deirdre Dempsey and Mr. Doug Smith
  Re: electronic subscriptions – Office of Finance made decisions about capitalizing some expenses; has helped relieve some of the pressure; problem has not been totally solved.

XIV. Adjourn at 4:43 p.m.
- Motion to Adjourn: Dr. Pat Loftis
- Second: Dr. Bruce Boyden
- Passed by unanimous voice vote

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Mary Jo Wiemiller
UAS Secretary

The next meeting will be Monday, August 27, 2018 at 3:00 p.m. in AMU Ballrooms C/D.