



FACULTY SENATE

Executive Council

February 13, 2017 4:00 – 5:30 p.m.

Waterman 427A

AGENDA

Present: Professors Barnaby, Beckage, Burns, Mehrtens, Paris

Absent: Professors Almstead, Carney, Chittenden, Danks, Gurdon, Pechenick, Prue, Rodgers, Toolin

Guests: Tom Vogelmann, Dean College of Agriculture and Life Sciences

The meeting was called to order at 4:05 p.m. in Waterman 427A

The meeting did not have a quorum. A ballot was distributed via email to secure votes on the actionable items, including approval of January minutes, degree corrections, the CAC report, and placing the RSCA Data Management Resolution on the Senate agenda for February. The balloted votes are recorded in these minutes.

1. **Approval of January 9, 2017 Minutes.** The minutes were approved as written.
Ballot Vote: 7 approve, 0 oppose, 0 abstain
2. **Degree Corrections.** Degree corrections were requested from the College of Arts and Sciences.
Ballot Vote: 7 approve, 0 oppose, 0 abstain
3. **Chair's Remarks** - *Cathy Paris reported that the members of the Student Government Association have been contacting faculty members to speak out against what they are characterizing as "the abolition of reading days."*
4. **Relationship of Extension to CALS; Appt. of the Extension Director.** Tom Vogelmann, Dean, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences provided an overview of both the decision to locate Extension in the College, and to appoint Chuck Ross as the Director of Extension. Discussion included Extension funding, stake holder perceptions, decisions

about timing of staff notifications of the changes, and the decision for utilizing an opportunity hire to secure a powerful political voice for Extension. Dean Vogelmann reported that an Extension/CALS Transition website has been established as a communication tool for documents, updates, and a portal for faculty and staff to submit anonymous questions.

Executive Council members expressed concerns, including the need to update the University Manual, the perception of the existence of different levels of rules for hiring, the need for assurances that established processes for hiring and academic changes will be followed in the future.

5. **Curricular Affairs Report** – The CAC consent agenda included the following:

- Proposal for new Certificate in Physical Activity Promotion in Children & Youth.
- Uncontested Request to Terminate ENSC: Biology and ENSC: Geology Minors
- Name change requests: Minor in Music Technology and Theory & composition concentration
- Proposal for Revisions to the online BS in Health Sciences Major
- Administrative F Policy Proposal
- Proposal for a New Summer Internship Option

Ballot Vote: 7 approve, 0 oppose, 0 abstain

6. **Data Management Initiative, RSCA** - Chris Burns introduced a resolution (attached to these minutes) recommending that a joint committee of the Administration and the Faculty Senate be charged to develop a programmatic and financial plan by October, 2017 to provide the University with core services and tools for managing data throughout the data life cycle. Cathy Paris suggested adding this topic to the agenda for the February meeting with the President and Provost.

Motion: To put the Research Data Management Resolution on the February Faculty Senate agenda

Ballot vote: 7 approve, 0 oppose, 0 abstain

7. **Defining the Role of the FPPC** – Andrew Barnaby opened a conversation, which will continue at the March Executive Council meeting.

8. **February 27 Senate meeting agenda**

- Minutes of the January 23 meeting *2 min*
- Senate President's Remarks *5 min*
- President and Provost's Remarks *10 min*
- CAC Business *10 min*
- Senate Committee Reports: RSCA *10 min*
- Data Management Initiative *15 min*
- New business *5 min*
- Adjourn

9. **New Business** – There was no new business at this time.

10. Adjourn at 5:41 p.m.