



FACULTY SENATE

Financial & Physical Planning Committee

May 1, 2023, 2:00 – 3:30 pm

Microsoft Teams

Minutes

Present: Terry Bradshaw (CALS), Teresa Cahill-Griffin (CNHS), Greg Rowangould (CEMS), Jane Knodell (CAS), Lisa McGee (LCOM), Maureen Neumann (CESS), Guillermo Rodriguez (CAS), Andrey Ukhov (GSB)

Absent: Thomas Borchert (Faculty Senate President), Dan DeSanto (LIB), David Kaufman (RSNER), Evan Siegel (SGA) Pending (GSS), Beth Zigmund (LCOM)

Guests: No Guests

The meeting was called to order by co-chair Guillermo Rodriguez at 2:00pm via Microsoft Teams.

1. Approval of the March Minutes. The minutes of April 2023 were approved as written.

2. 2023/ 2024 Priorities.

- Information gathering and analysis to understand the impact of the tuition-freeze policy on the quality of student experience.
 - Invite Richard and Shari to the September meeting so that there is a chance to discuss this before the BOT votes on it in October.
- Budgetary challenges in the pursuit of R1 status.
 - The VP of Research, Kirk Dombrowski has volunteered to come to the FPPC to discuss of the cost of research at the University of Vermont.
- Analysis of the space-cost algorithm: costs of different kinds of space, rules around shedding space, etc.
 - The Faculty Senate Office will invite guests to the September / October meeting to discuss space management, space maintenance and how the cost of space is determined.
 - How does the foundation plan for the cost of maintenance on new buildings.
- Briefings on the University budget and budget decisions at different key points in the budget cycle.
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- Invite the Deans that have not yet had a chance to come to a FPPC meeting, CNHS, CALS and RSENR.
- Salaries and how they are set, and what can the FPPC do to help understand how the maximum is set and how much freedom is given when they are making offers. How salaries impact the quality of new applicants and the retention of current faculty.

- Invite the Provost and Vice Provost to a meeting to discuss these topics.

3. Faculty Senate Office Update. Greg Rowangould and Terri Cahill- Griffin will be rotating off the FPPC. Terry Bradshaw will be stepping down due to another opportunity, the Faculty Senate Office will work with CALS to find a replacement for his term. Once all elections are complete the Faculty Senate Office will send out Teams invites for the 2023 / 2024 year, they will go out soon. Meetings will continue to be the first Monday of the month from 2:00pm to 3:30pm, unless there is a holiday. The schedule is on the Faculty Senate webpage under calendar.

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4. New / Old Business. There was no new / old business to report.

5. Adjourn. The committee adjourned the meeting at 3:01pm.

The next FPPC meeting will be September 11, 2023, from 2:00 to 3:30 on Teams.