

FACULTY SENATE

Executive Council

May 7, 2018 4:00 – 5:30 pm Waterman 427A

Minutes

Present: Professors Almstead, Burns, Chittenden, Eyler, Giangreco, Higgins, Mehrtens, Paris, Zdatny.

Absent: Barnaby, Beckage, Prue, Carney, Toolin

Guests: Gurdon

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

1. **Approval of April 9, 2018 Minutes**. President Paris moved to approve the minutes as written. The motion was seconded and carried.

2. Chair's Remarks.

- **Member at Large Election**. Susanmarie Harrington, CAS has been elected for the 2-year term beginning July1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2020
- New Senator Orrientation / Reception will take place September 17th at 4:00pm. Ideas for topics include
 - Creation of an information template used for updating units on Faculty Senate information. Char will create the template at the next Faculty Senate meeting and provide it to Cathy as an example.
- P & P meeting has been moved from Tuesday May 8th to Wednesday, May 9th at 3:00.
- 3. **Curricular Affairs Committee Report.** Laura Almstead presented one item for the CAC consent agenda:
 - A. New PhD in Physics, CAS

Motion: Cathy Paris called a vote to approve the consent agenda as presented for inclusion on the Faculty Senate May agenda.

Vote: 7 approve, 0 oppose, and 0 abstain

4. Operating Procedures for Senate Standing Committees. All committees are asked to submit a committee approved set of operating procedures. RSCA, PSC, and CAC operation procedures have been submitted to the Faculty Senate Office. SAC and ERTC will be voting on their operating procedures at

the May meeting. Timothy will communicate with Andrew about the FPPC. Once operating procedures are submitted to Faculty Senate Office they will be posted on the senate website.

5. Agenda for the P&P Meeting of May 9, 2018

Suggested discussion topics included:

- How can the Executive Council support the initiatives put forward by the campus community around diversity for the fall semester.
 - o Faculty training. Dedicating a day in the spring semester to have more professional development opputunities around diversity.
- Continued conversations on retention.

6. Agenda for the Faculty Senate Meeting of May 17, 2018

- Minutes of the April 23 Faculty Senate Meeting
- Resolution in Memoriam, Barbara Rouleau (Carol Buck-Roland)
- Presentation of Candidates for Degrees
- Faculty Senate President's Remarks, Cathy Paris
- UVM President's Remarks, Tom Sullivan
- UVM Provost's Remarks, David Rosowsky
- CAC Business, Laura Almstead
- ad hoc committee report
- Advising initiatives, Sarah Warrington
- Conversation with Board of Trustees Chair David Daigle
- New Business

7. Priorities for AY 2018-19

- Ongoing discussion: a more engaged Faculty Senate
- How to increase the influence of the Senate in the shared governnce of the University
- Having break out sessions during meetings to get more engagement. Topics include.
 - o Retention
 - o IBB
 - o Diversity Initiatives
 - o CAS
- 8. **New Business** President Paris thanked Char Mehrtens, Timothy Higgins and Steve Zdatny for their service on the Faculty Senate Executive Committee. All three members have completed their term.
- 9. **Adjourn** The meeting adjourned at 5:47 p.m.