Meeting of the Academic Senate Executive Committee
Tuesday, May 11, 2021
3:10 to 5:00pm

I. Minutes: M/S/P to approve the April 20, 2021, Executive Committee minutes.

II. Communication(s) and Announcement(s): none.

III. Reports:
A. Academic Senate Chair: none.
B. Provost: Refer to pages 4-7 of the agenda packet here.
C. Statewide Senate: none.
D. CFA: none.
E. ASI: Refer to page 8 of the agenda packet here.

IV. Special Report(s):
A. HR Restructure and Appointment: President Armstrong asked for a consultation for the appointment of Al Liddicoat as Vice President. The interim to fulfill his position is Kathryn Romo while there will be a nationwide search. In addition, President Armstrong also shared he wants to increase the number of transfer students.

V. Business Item(s):
A. Appointment of Siroj Pokharel, Animal Science, to the Diversity Committee. M/S/P to appoint Siroj Pokharel to the Diversity Committee for the 2021-2023 term.
B. Approval of 8 WTU’s for Academic Senate USCP Chair, Grace Yeh. M/S/P to approve 8 WTU’s for Grace Yeh for the 2021-2022 Academic Year.
C. Approval of Instruction Committee’s Recommendations for the Fall 2022 Academic Calendar: John Hagen, Academic Senate Instruction Committee Chair, shared a third option for a Monday start that does not have a religious holiday fall on the first Monday due to starting earlier. M/S/P to approve the recommendation.
D. Resolution on Updating Credit Hour Policy: Andrew Morris and Bruno Giberti, Office of Academic Programs and Planning, announced a resolution to formalize and routinize the policies to communicate the application of the credit hour policy without changing the current policy. M/S/P to agendize the resolution.
E. VP of OUDI Consultative Committee: Thomas Gutierrez, Academic Senate Chair, proposed a framework in consultation with ASI, the President’s Office, and HR on how to populate this committee, in addition to recommending the use of an external agency to facilitate rigorous vetting rather than in-house. M/S/P to agendize the resolution.
F. Resolution on Scheduling Online Assessments: John Hagen, Academic Senate Instruction Committee Chair, announced a resolution for an assessment availability window to provide more flexibility for students, where students are given at least 24 hours during a weekday and 48 hours for finals week to complete their assessment, unless allotted time during class. M/S/P to agendize the resolution.
G. Resolution on Modifications to the Bylaws of the Academic Senate Regarding Chair Membership of Curricular Review Committees: Thomas Gutierrez, Academic Senate Chair, shared a resolution to avoid the
perception of conflict of interest by not allowing chairs of Academic Senate Curriculum Committees to serve
on any review levels as department or college curriculum committee chair. M/S/P to agendize the resolution.

H. Resolution on UFPP 8.2: Observation of Instruction and UFPP 8.3.2: Guidance for Evaluation of Virtual
Instruction: Ken Brown, Academic Senate Faculty Affairs Committee Chair, presented a resolution to establish
long term policies regarding the observation and evaluation of virtual instruction to provide an objective
source for criteria of instructional effectiveness. M/S/P to agendize the resolution.

I. Resolution to Display Sustainability Courses in the Catalog: David Braun, Academic Senate Sustainability
Committee Chair, shared a resolution to identify sustainability focused and related courses in all catalog
versions, in addition to adding a “Show Sustainability Classes” filter or course option in Schedule Builder.
M/S/P to agendize the resolution.

VI. Discussion Item(s): none.

VII. Adjournment: 5:31pm

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