



FACULTY SENATE MINUTES

Meeting Date:	04/20/2020	Time:	14:45 – 16:30	Location:	Sam Wilson Hall room 230
Next Meeting:	08/06/2020	Scribe:			Eric Sellers
Present:	Alexander, Katelyn; Anand, Rajani; Blackhart, Ginette; Brown, Patrick; Burford, Mike; Burns, Bracken; Byington, Randy; Chen, Yi-Yang; Cherry, Donna; Collins, Charles; Dunn, Andrew; Ellis, Jon; Emma, Todd; Epps, Susan; Evanshen, Pam; Foley, Virginia; Fraysier, Donna; Garris, Bill; Gray, Jeffrey; Hagemeyer, Nick; Hemphill, Bill; Hemphill, Jean; Hendrix, Stephen; Holmes, Alan; Johnson, Mikki; Johnson, Michelle; Kim, Sookhyn; Livingston, James; Lyons, Renee; Mackara, Fred; Marek, Greta; McGarry, Theresa; Mitchell, Holly; Oh, Sunny; Olson, Nate; O'Neil, Kason; Owens, Bea; Park, Esther; Peterson, Jonathan; Sargsyan, Alex; Sarkodie, Olga; Sellers, Eric; Sergiadis, Ashley; Smith, Samuel; Stone, William; Taylor, Teresa Brooks; Trogen, Paul; Walden, Rachel				
Absent:	Drinkard-Hawkshawe, Dorothy; Kostrzewa, Richard; Ramsey, Priscilla; Silver, Ken				
Excused:					

Agenda Items

Meeting called to order

1. Celebrations

2. Introductions

3. Announcements

4. Approval of Minutes

5. Informational Items

6. Old Business

7. New Business

8. Comments from Guests

9. Adjourn

DISCUSSIONS

1. Celebrations

1.1 **Epps** noted that there was a nice article featuring Kason O'Neil in the JC Press today.

1.2 **Collins** noted that the College of Pharmacy has been getting a lot of good publicity about the hand sanitizer he has been making and distributing.

1.3 **Jean Hemphill** noted that the local news features first year medical students that are collecting items for frontline providers and it is a great initiative.

2. Introductions of Guests

2.1 **Alexander** introduced three fourth year Pharmacy students: Addy Lawson; Megan Ferry; and, Deep Patel.

2.2 **Sargsyan** introduced his therapy duck, Oliver.



DISCUSSIONS

3. Announcements

3.1 Mark your calendar - 2020 Fall Retreat – August 18th

4. Approval of Minutes

Hendrix questioned whether there was an objection to approving the minutes from the 04/06/2020 meeting.

No Objection: Minutes Approved

5. Informational Items

5.1 College Elections – Dr. McGarry / Dr. Epps

5.2 Handbook Committee update – Dr. Epps

The committee will need to have a Zoom meeting, which will be scheduled by Epps.

5.3 Board of Trustees report – Dr. Foley

The board will be meeting this Friday and it will be live streamed. The Audit Committee meets at 8:30 and the full board meets at 10:00. The meeting materials are posted on the Trustee's website. Tenure and Promotion, and budget adjustment recommendations will be approved.

5.4 University Committees Report

5.4.1 **O'Neil** provided an update on the Restructure of Advisement Committee. Final recommendations are being sent to the Provost Office and O'Neil will send a draft of the document to the senate.

5.4.2 **Byington** noted that the Quality Effectiveness sub-council of the Academic Council delayed their meeting until the beginning of the fall semester. The committee examines how to evaluate the effectiveness of administrative functions and is currently looking at peer institutions to develop best practices.

5.4.3 **Hendrix** noted that TUFs met last weekend. Most of the discussion centered on how each university is handling COVID-19. Some universities are advocating for online classes in the fall and TN State University has allowed research activities on campus to continue.

5.5 Working Groups Report – Work Group Chair

5.5.1 Administrative Review – Dr. O'Neil

No report.

5.5.2 Shared Governance – Dr. Lyons

No report.

5.5.3 Campus Communication – Dr. Garris

No report.

5.5.4 Faculty Safety and Planning – Dr. Pealer

No report.



DISCUSSIONS

5.5.5 Paid Family Leave – Dr. Alexander

No report.

6. Old Business

6.1 Committee on Committees – Dr. Epps

The committee needs to devise a system to communicate to committee chairs' that they will be responsible for staffing their committees. Faculty Senate will continue to staff faculty senate related positions as they are related to the shared governance committees across the institution.

7. New Business

7.1 Election of 2020-2021 Faculty Senate Officers – Dr. Epps and Dr. Gray

7.1.1 President nominee, Stephen Hendrix – approved by acclamation

7.1.2 Vic President nominees: Ginni Blackhart; Kason O'Neil; and, Paul Trogen

Senators voted using the Poll Everywhere online voting platform. Blackhart was elected to the position of Vice President.

7.1.3 Secretary nominee, Ashley Sergiadis – approved by acclamation

7.1.4 Treasurer/COO nominee, Patrick Brown – approved by acclamation

8. Comments from Guests

None.

9. Adjourn

Motion to Adjourn: Brown

Second: Peterson

Meeting Adjourned

Please notify Senator Eric Sellers (sellers@etsu.edu or 9-4476, Faculty Senate Secretary, 2019-2020) of any changes or corrections to the minutes.