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Academic Senate Meeting
Approved Minutes
22 January 2016

Leslie Picca, Vice President of the Academic Senate

1. Prayer: Joe Haus
2. Joint ELC and Academic Senate Meeting
 - a. Debrief of the Board of Trustees Meeting: President Daniel Curran and Interim Provost Paul Benson
 - i. Meeting notes will be published separately from Academic Senate Minutes
 - b. Update on Procurement Optimization: Vice President for Finance and Administrative Affairs, Andy Horner
3. Academic Senate Meeting Convened by Leslie Picca, Vice President

Attending:

Senators: Anloague, Benson (Interim Provost), Biswas, Bobrowski, Dingle, Dermusoglu, Edmonson, Eustace, Foust, Gabbe, Goodman, Haus, Hicks, Holcomb, Jacobs, K. Kelly, Mary Kay Kelly, Kelsch, Mashburn, Merithew, Picca (Vice President), Pierce, Rojas, Rush, Santiago, Slade (Secretary), Smith, Spaulding, Strauss, Valenzano, Watkins, Webb, Whitaker, Wu, Zhang

Guests: Sawyer Hunley, Paul Vanderburgh, Linda Hartley, Cilla Shindell, Bill Fischer, Susan Brown, David Wright, Tom Skill, Janet Bednarek, Carolyn Phelps, Susan Scott, Matt Mize, Deb Bickford, Margaret Lisjak, Maura Donahue, Hunter Goodman, Anne Crecelius, Michael Krug, Kathy Lockett, Bob Wilkens, Kim Trick

4. Minutes of the Senate
 - a. 11 December 2015
 - i. Approved as submitted
5. Announcements
 - a. UNRC requests
 - i. Search Committee for Advancement
 1. Nominations due to UNRC
 - ii. Search Committee for the Provost
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 - b. ModernThink Survey
 - i. Human Resources will administer the survey from 8 March to 22 March.
 - ii. Same structure and content as those in Spring 2009 and 2011.
 - iii. President's office will make further announcements.
6. Reports from the Standing Committees

- a. APC
 - i. Finalizing the Course Retake Policy revision. Will submit to ECAS in near future for full Senate review
 - ii. Examining proposals from Engineering to merge Engineering Technology and Engineering Management Departments; also to create a new Department of Electro Optics and Photonics
 - iii. Consult with CAPC regarding recommendations for improvements to CAP based on the survey presented at Senate in December
 - iv. We meet Wednesdays 10:10-11:10 starting January 27, 2016.
- b. SAPC:
 - i. No assignment.
- c. FAC:
 - i. Met 7 times during the Fall
 - ii. FAC continues to work on faculty titles for the handbook. There was vigorous discussion at our December 3, 2015 and the January 28, 2016 meeting. Among the things accomplished was an approved wording for "Courtesy Titles." These titles cover part of what the current "Clinical Titles" -- in current handbook -- state.
- d. ECAS: Report from Leslie Picca
 - i. Follow up **on Statement on Conducting research** discussion.
 - 1. ECAS requested that Fr. Jim and John Leland provide feedback received from the BOT regarding the draft statement on conducting research.
 - a. It was clear from the initial response from the faculty, that this is an important and complex issue that requires much more study and discussion.
 - b. In consultation with the Provost, ECAS would like to propose that a steering committee be formed to more clearly define the issues, and plan the steps forward, which might include a year long study of the emerging views of "just war" theory that includes voices from across campus as well as experts not from UD.
 - c. The steering committee would be responsible for guiding the scale and scope of the discussion/study, identifying experts (internal and external) that could help inform the

discussion, generate a budget request for the activity etc.

- d. This issue is not something the Senate can or should take on alone, but the senate can serve to facilitate the organization of an effective structure and plan for steps forward.
- e. ECAS is also working on an **interim administrator appointment policy** (such as a policy or guidelines for when positions are vacated, and how and when to utilize interim positions).
- f. ECAS has had conversations about role of **UNRC** & working through details and process (such as communication efforts and strategies to increase transparency in the process).
- g. Outstanding issues include a discussion of **senate membership and changes to the senate constitution**. Non-tenure track faculty (mobile model of representation)—for Spring. Look at membership (and how increase membership). Tabled conversation. Membership is wrong in constitution—needs to be updated. Ex: quorum impact. [Postponed action b/c Clinical Faculty Title & how will impact senate membership.]
- h. ECAS meetings are every Thursday at 9am – 10:30am in St. Mary's 113b.

Adjourned

Andrew Slade, Secretary