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Present: Atif Abueida, Christopher Agnew, Maureen Anderson, Philip Appiah-Kubi, V. Denise James, Leno Pedrotti, Blake Watson, Andrea Wells, Catherine Zois
Absent: Debbie Archambeault, Samuel Dorf, Caroline Merithew

The meeting was called to order by Chair Christopher Agnew at 11 am.

Old Business

1. The minutes of the January 17 2019 meeting of the Faculty Board were approved.
2. Christopher Agnew stated that he has exhausted the standard methods for finding a Faculty Board replacement for Mary Fisher who is on sabbatical this semester. She represents Education and Health Sciences. It was agreed that the Faculty Board would proceed for the rest of this semester without an active representative from Education and Health Sciences
3. Updates related to the WSU strike
 - a) Chris Agnew reported that the Executive Committee of the Academic Senate has indicated that it will not take up issues related to responding to the WSU faculty strike.
 - b) Andrea Wells and V. Denise James indicated that they have anecdotal evidence that UD and WSU faculty members are generally supportive of both the WSU faculty strike and the public letter put out by the UD Faculty Board.
 - c) Chris Agnew indicated that ideas to further the Faculty Board's support for the WSU strike can be sent to him.

Reports from Academic subcommittee representatives:

1. APC: Philip Appiah-Kubi reported that the Academic Policies Committee of the Academic Senate is working on new guidelines for initiating new undergraduate and graduate programs. The question of whether the Faculty Board should seek representation on the Graduate Council was raised.
2. FAC: Mary Fisher is on sabbatical leave represents the Faculty Board on the Faculty Affairs Committee. Consequently there was no report from the FAC representative.
3. SAPC: Andrea Wells reported the Student Academic Policies Committee is working on a proposal to revise the process for reporting student academic dishonesty. Issues identified include a lack of clarity on follow-up after academic dishonesty is reported, faculty reporting rates, issues with cheating when students take tests in the LTC, and fear of the process from international students. Revisions under discussion include streamlining the reporting process, inclusion of evidence of cheating in the reporting process, and creation of a centralized person/office to coordinate between units.

The SAPC has no other current charges this semester and solicits new charges. Chris Agnew indicated that students have complained to the Executive Committee of the Academic Senate about the PATH-point system. The attending members of the Faculty Board voted unanimously in favor of a motion to have Andrea Wells to ask the SAPC to take up the PATH-point issue. The formal motion is listed in the last section of these minutes.

Atif Abueida recounted that he had heard reports from international students they were warned that attending a single class of a graduate course and then dropping would lead to a \$500 fee. Discussion of this issue included whether graduate and undergraduate policies differ, whether policies differ across the schools and the college, and the nature of those policies. Chris Agnew suggested that students with questions or complaints may wish to contact Udayton Global.

New Business

1. Spring Faculty Association Meeting
It was unanimously agreed that the topic of the 2019 Spring Faculty Association Meeting would be something like "The use of SET in tenure, promotion, and merit: Research and practice." The formal motion and results are listed in the last section of these minutes. It was agreed that Chris Agnew would try to schedule the meeting on a Wednesday in late March or early April. The suggestion that the Faculty Board should invite a representative from the LTC and Erin O'Mara to speak at the meeting was met with general approval.

It was suggested that in the future, regular solicitation of topics for the association meeting should be made to the members of the association.

2. Possible changes to the Constitution of the Faculty Board

Chris Agnew reported the Faculty Affairs Committee contacted him about purging outdated classification terminology in the Faculty Handbook, which includes the Constitution of the Faculty Board. It was generally agreed that amending the Constitution of the Faculty Board to include current classification terminology should be initiated. Chris Agnew suggested that it might be prudent to look at other possible amendments, including amending the rules by which amendments are made. This topic will likely be included on the agenda of the next meeting of the Faculty Board.

Formal Motions and Results

1. **Motion:** The Faculty Board suggests that the SAPC take up an evaluation of the PATH-point system.

Moved by V. Denise James, Seconded by Andrea Wells

Vote: 9 in favor, 0 against, 0 abstain

Result: The motion was approved.

Note: Andrea Wells will convey the suggestion to the APC.

2. **Motion:** The topic of the Spring Faculty Association will be something like “The use of SET in tenure, promotion, and merit: Research and practice.”

Moved by Chris Agnew, Seconded by Leno Pedrotti

Vote: 9 in favor, 0 against, 0 abstain

Result: The motion is approved.

Note: Chris Agnew will seek a time for the meeting on a Wednesday in late March or early April. A representative from the LTC and Erin O’Mara could be invited to speak.

The meeting adjourned at 12:00 pm.

Wearily submitted by Leno M Pedrotti