Faculty Council Agenda  
October 21, 2021  
2:30-4:30pm

Zoom link:  
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Council Members in Attendance: Brian Belland (Chair), Julia Bryan (Past Chair), Elizabeth Prosek (Chair-Elect), David Post (EPS), Cristin Hall (EPCSE), Bill Rothwell (LPS), Caroline Clontz (UG Student), Bill Brendel (LPS), Joseph Valente (CI), Madeline Halkowski (Grad Student), Carmen Vanderhoof (CI), Kelly Rosinger (EPS), David McNaughton (EPCSE)

Council Members Absent:

In Attendance: Wendy Williams, Gary Thomas (ASL Interpreter), Kate Chen (ASL Interpreter), Gwen Lloyd, Andrea McCloskey (Faculty Senate), John Holst (LPS), Xiangquan Yao (CI), Shirley Woika (EPCSE), Fran Arbaugh (CI), Kim Lawless (Dean), Jim Diperna (EPCSE), Alba Congiu (Finance Office)

1. Review and approval of minutes of the Last Meeting (September 16, 2021)
   1.1 Cristin Hall moved to approve minutes, Elizabeth Prosek seconded the motion. Motion passed.

2. Announcements by the Chair
   2.1 Standing committees and Workload Committee are formed. Workload Committee was provided a charge for the current academic year.

3. Communications to the Council
   3.1 Undergraduate Student Council Updates (Caroline Clontz)
      3.1.1 Donuts with Dean event was successful. Community engagement projects are in the works and potentially a faculty event.
   3.2 Graduate Student Council Updates (Madeline Halkowski)
      3.2.1 Donuts with Dean event was successful. Upcoming mental health workshop on November 3, 2021. Mentoring program is in the works. Collaborating with the Diversity Dialogues series.
      3.2.2 Election for a new treasurer.

4. Comments by the Dean of the College (Dean Kimberly Lawless)
   4.1 Provided an update on the closure of the School Psychology doctoral program.
   4.2 Provided an update on the increase in research grants in the College of Education

5. Reports of Standing Committees
5.1 Faculty, Staff, Student Concerns (Cristin Hall, EPCSE)
   5.1.1 No update at this time.
5.2 Curricular Affairs (Bill Rothwell, LPS)
   5.2.1 No update at this time.
5.3 Graduate Studies and Research Policy (Joe Valente, CI)
   5.3.1 No update at this time.
5.4 Technology (David McNaughton, EPCSE)
   5.4.1 No update at this time.

6. Reports of Special and Ad-Hoc Committees
   6.1 The committee is populated and David Post (EPS) will serve as Chair.

7. News from the University Graduate Council (Xiangquan Yao, CI)
   7.1 Provided update on the Search for the Graduate School.
   7.2 GCAC 404 Academic Policy changes to include graduate students enrolled in certificate programs.

8. News from the Faculty Senate (Andrea McCloskey, CI)
   8.1 Provided list of College of Education faculty members on the Senate.
   8.2 JT Taylor and Ed Fuller are charged with communications to the faculty.
   8.3 AC80 Policy revisions are underway (outside activities reporting). AD77 will also be impacted. The subcommittee is soliciting feedback from faculty at-large who have experiences with AC80 and AD77.
   8.4 Provided an update on the University Presidential search (currently 11 candidates).
   8.5 The new curricular proposal system is not active yet, continue to use the current system.

9. Unfinished Legislative Business

10. New Legislative Business

11. Forensic Business
   11.1 Discussion of revised constitution and bylaws (Brian Belland, EPCSE)
      11.1.1 Reviewed the original charge of updating the constitution and context of the process used to guide the update.
      11.1.2 Suggested considerations for revisions: defining shared governance; increasing clarity around use of consultation; clarifying the monitoring role of the FC; strengthening the preamble to reaffirm shared governance; considering the enforcing role of the constitution; defining the roles of expertise; adding more specificity to areas of consultation; and maintaining language while also clarifying the role of FC when possible.
11.1.3 Requested more time to have constituents provide feedback to Faculty Council.

11.1.4 Determined it would be appropriate to populate a special committee to continue the revisions of the constitution, including members from all departments. The special committee needs members and a charge.

12. Comments and recommendations for the good of the College

Joe Valente motioned to adjourn and Kelly Rosinger seconded the motion, meeting adjourned at 4:31pm.

Next Faculty Council Meeting:
November 18, 2021, 2:30-4:30 PM, Zoom meeting