



Academic Senate
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Academic Senate Executive Meeting Minutes

Feb 7th, 2022 (convened at 4:01 pm) on Zoom

Attendees: Ron Slabbinck (President), Neil Carpentier-Alting (Vice-President), Liz Carlyle (Secretary), Ann Klein (At-Large), Shirley Louie (At-large), Patrice Thatcher Stephens, and Monica Harle (Part-time faculty rep).

1) Public Comment—none given.

2) Approval of Minutes

- Academic Senate Executive meeting, December 13th 2021; Neil Carpentier Alting moved to approve; Shirley Louie seconded. Minutes were approved unanimously.

3) Discussion and Action Items

- Faculty Committee appointments**—Wenli Chang has requested to be removed from Instruction Council. Ron Slabbinck reported that IPB approved hiring 16 faculty positions (new and replacement). The recommendations are now on the President’s desk for approval. We will have a lot of hiring committees over the next few months if all are approved. Ron is the mentor for the new ADJ faculty member and they are vetting the Orientation module ready for Fall 22.
- Credit for Prior Learning (CPL)**—Ron Slabbinck has revised AP 4235. He adjusted the AP based on discussions in Senate. He will have a draft AP to bring to Senate at the next meeting. Sami Donaldson is creating an application for students who want to request CPL. Ron pulled documents from Guided Pathways Canvas shell to make sure we are gathering the requisite information from students. He is recommending that CPL be done semester by semester for courses offered during that semester. All courses are eligible for CPL unless otherwise noted in the list. It will go from Senate to Instruction Council, College Council, and the Board of Trustees for approval. This revision may trigger a revision of the APs regarding Advanced Placement and IB.
- Emeritus Faculty nominations**—the Academic Senate will consider and vote on nominations at our next meeting.

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- d) Guided Pathways—Dr Char Perlas asked about appointing a Guided Pathways coordinator. Ron Slabbinck believes at this point faculty have full schedules so it wouldn't be release time but an addition to their workload. This is the last semester of Guided Pathways funding. Patrice Thatcher-Stephens asked if the funding goes away at the end of the semester, or does it just need to be committed? A coordinator would help with keeping all the Guided Pathways work we've done in one place.
- e) DEI Rubrics --Ron Slabbinck will send out the rubrics to the committees this week to get their feedback. Patrice Thatcher-Stephens asked if we have a college diversity statement yet. This was one of the tasks for the SJEDI winter retreat that was cancelled; SJEDI is currently working on a new date.

4) Good of the Order. Program Approval Process—Neil Carpentier Alting would like a sense of the Senate Exec on the direction for the program approval and revision process and who has oversight. Historically, Curriculum Committee has rejected this duty over the years and left it up the Deans and Directors. The Program Approval process is now in place. The next step is to work out how to get it approved, and to affirm the approval process. This is complicated by the fact that we don't have a shared governance process. Neil believes Curriculum Committee shares responsibility with the Deans and Directors. He reported that all Deans are on board to support the faculty originator and ensure they have the resources they need to develop their programs. Beyond that, the process is less clear due to the lack of a shared governance model. Bigger question that need to be addressed: how does the program align long term with the institution? Curriculum Committee is currently discussing the program approval process and will send their recommendations to Senate for review at the March meeting. Ron Slabbinck noted that we have the right people in the right places to make things happen. We are in a much place that we were before.

5) Adjourned 5:15

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