

## **Academic Senate**

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## **Academic Senate Executive Meeting Minutes**

March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022 (convened at 4:02 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, Sarah Kirby (Part-time faculty rep) and Monica Harle (Part-time faculty rep).

- 1) Public Comment—none given.
- 2) Approval of Minutes
  - Academic Senate Executive meeting, February 25th 2022; Patrice Thatcher Stephens move to approve; Shirley Louie seconded. Minutes approved unanimously.

## 3) Discussion and Action Items

- a) <u>Credit for Prior Learning (CPL)</u>—Ron Slabbinck reported that he met with Dave Clarke and cleaned up the AP. Neil Carpentier Alting and Liz Carlyle also met with Ron to complete final revisions based on these suggestions. In particular, they worked on the process for establishing the list of courses eligible for CPL. It retains the right of faculty to determine eligibility while not requiring ongoing maintenance of a list. We will bring the AP back to the full Senate for a vote.
- b) <u>Senate Constitution</u>—Chris Vancil's advised the revision to remove the duties of Sabbatical committee from the VP would be a general revision, as outlined in Article VII, section 2. The constitution may need cleaning up, so it would be good to include these revisions at the same time, considering the lengthy process to make a general revision. The team decided to reach out to Chris Vancil and other past presidents to identify areas that might need work. This will give the new Senate Exec team in Fall 2022 a starting point.
- c) <u>Hyflex Modality</u>—The DL committee has approved moving forward a discussion on Hyflex, a new modality, and whether we want to adopt it at COS. The committee has created a definition, requirements and other parameters for Senate to review. Neil

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Carpentier Alting noted that while it didn't seem a good fit for his program, it is important to identify options that benefit students. Patrice Thatcher Stephens thought it seemed exhausting for instructors, but important for students in her discipline. Neil was concerned that instructors may lose out on the right of assignment if they are not willing to teach Hyflex modality. Ann Klein noted that this would impact part-time faculty mostly. Patrice asked about the impact on our remote sites. If students can attend from home on Zoom, the remote sites will be less used.

- d) <u>Academic Honesty Statement</u>. Liz Carlyle reported that the taskforce met and were currently crafting a statement. They will bring the draft to Senate for their feedback at the meeting on Friday.
- e) <u>Committee Appointments</u>. We are looking for a replacement for Wenli Change in DL committee. The OER workgroup is also down two faculty (Wenli Chang and Natalie Bradley). Hiring Committees need one more faculty member per committee.
- f) Presidents Report.
  - There was a presentation in IPB on the Data Dashboard. Faculty had a lot of questions, in particular about how it interfaces with eLumen. If these two programs don't have any alignment, what will that mean? We are hoping to purchase the economy version. What will that mean for our ability to get data? Ann Klein expressed the concern that we no longer have a programmer. The dashboard is only as useful as the data that is uploaded to it. This item was tabled at IPB as it was recommended that it be presented to Academic Senate first. Based on this recommendation, Nathan Rexford would like to present to Academic Senate on Friday.
  - We need to have the emergency meeting declaration on our agenda for the next
     Senate meeting
  - We are going to request an extension of HEERF funds to help bring down the costs for students for meals and housing. We are currently the most expensive among comparable colleges. IPB is unwilling to approve any increase in costs for students.
- g) <u>Board docs</u>. Sami Donaldson will be helping us with Board Docs as administrative assistant at the next meeting. She will run Board docs and take minutes. Liz Carlyle will review the minutes and create the agendas as Secretary of the Senate.
- 4) Good of the Order.

5) Adjourned 5:44 pm

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