Faculty Senate Meeting on Friday, September 1, 2023

1-3 PM in EWFM (Room 520)

- 1. Memorial Resolutions
 - a. Professor Emeritus Nick Balabkins (CoB)
 - b. Professor Emeritus Michael Notis (RCEAS)
- 2. Approve the Senate Minutes of 5 May 2023
- 3. Chairperson Comments
 - a. Purchase of Academic Regalia with professional funds (Effective 28 August 2023)
 - b. Reconciliation of course/program approval between R&P 3.2.1 and CIM (In progress)
 - c. Revision of faculty access to students' records
 - d. Academic freedom and free expression
 - e. Awarding emeritus status
 - f. Annual faculty salary comparison
 - g. Parking hangtags
- 4. Changes to R&P that do not require Senate action mostly motivated by creation of term faculty:
 - a. Non-substantial Changes to R&P 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, and 1.5 Already approved by Parliamentarian
 - College revisions to R&P 1.4 concerning which college faculty may vote, serve on college committees – After approved by college faculty, submitted directly to BoT
- 5. Consent Calendar Initial Readings (First Readings) If approved by the Senate, changes to Section 1 require a final reading and, if approved, a vote of the university faculty. (R&P 1.2.6.2)
 - a. R&P 1.2.2: Size and Composition of the Senate
 - b. R&P 1.2.3.1: Chairperson of the Senate
 - c. R&P 1.2.6.2: Motions and Consent Calendar
 - d. R&P 1.2.8.2: Faculty Petitions and Referendums
 - e. R&P 1.3.1: In General (General guidance for faculty committees)
- 6. Consent Calendar Final Readings (Second Readings) The initial reading occurred on April 28, 2023, Senate meeting. If approved by the Senate, changes to Section 2 require a vote of the university faculty. If approved by the Senate, changes to Section 3 do not require a vote of the faculty or approval of the BoT. (R&P 1.2.6.2)
 - a. R&P 2.10 Graduate Assistants
 - b. R&P 2.11 Research and Graduate Project Assistants
 - c. R&P 3.11.1 Transfer Credit and Graduation Honors

- d. R&P 3.14.5 Special Undergraduate Course Opportunities
- e. R&P 3.14.5.2 Cooperative Undergraduate Education
- f. R&P 3.15.2 Winter Intersession
- g. R&P 3.21.1 Graduate Admissions

7. Strategic Plan

- a. Nathan Urban and Chris Cook
- 8. Discussion of Proposal to reduce number of faculty committee positions
 - a. Should we reduce faculty committee positions?
 - b. One example of possible reduction:
 - i. No changes to Ed Pol (R&P 1.3.2.1), GRC (R&P 1.3.2.2), Faculty Personnel Committee (R&P 1.3.2.3), and University Committee on Discipline (R&P 1.3.5.1)?
 - ii. Limit all other faculty governance (R&P 1.3.2) and faculty administrative (R&P 1.3.3), faculty advisory (R&P 1.3.4), and university committees (R&P 1.3.5) committees to no more than one faculty member from each college?
 - iii. Reduces faculty committee positions by 17. Reductions by College: CAS 7; CoB, CoH, and RCEAS 3 each; and CoE -1. (See spreadsheet)
- 9. Re-task Senate subcommittees
 - a. Necessity for a clear statement of subcommittee mission
 - b. Remove responsibility for the Academic and Student Affairs (ASA) Subcommittee to review course/program changes approved by GRC and/or Ed Pol. (R&P 3.2.1)?
 - c. Give the Chairpersons of the GRC and Ed Pol ex officio status in the Senate as voting members (R&P 1.3.1)?
 - d. Create new Financial and Budget Subcommittee?
 - e. Standardize assignment of faculty representatives to Board of Trustee Committees?
- 10. New business

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