

**Faculty Senate Meeting Notes- Tentative  
2/18/21 @ 11am, via Zoom**

**Present:** Robin Weaver, Bob Mehalik, Loring Prest, Ahmet Akgun, Brenton Wilburn, Brian Oddi, Matilda Spencer, James Hoover, Jayna Bonfini, JP Staszal, Kristen Schaffner, Peter Cormas, Ryan Sittler, Vamsi Borra, Wendy, Clover Wright, Jeanne Fazekas, Jesse Eiben, Kim Vanderlaan, Paul Sible, Randy Tillmutter, Tammy Sealy, Ayanna Walker, Cassandra Kuba, Jeffery Giovannucci, Libby Larsen, Todd Pinkham, Randy Tillmutter

**Call to Order**

1. **Review/Approval of 11/19/2020 Summary Notes** - approved

**Old Business**

2. **Faculty Senate Administration Evaluations Subcommittee**
3. **Shared Governance Issues – Strategic Plans**
4. **Shared Governance Evaluation (Middle States, Standard VII)**

5. **Student Government Representation**

Bob Mehalik stated student government representation was approved for the senate bylaws. The student government representative will be the President of Student Government or designee and will be a non-voting position. This needs to be added in the bylaws. Ex officio member, President of student government association or representative. New updated bylaws will be sent out to the senate members. This is still a work in progress as faculty representation number going forward still needs to be established as well.

6. **Zoom meetings** – anticipate continuation of zoom format. This allows for attendance without concern for distancing. Also, allows for distance faculty to participate in senate.
7. **By-Law update/Senate Membership-** This issue is still under discussion but will likely tie in to the overall senate integration group work. We can continue to discuss this issue through spring for next year and will have to see how it is impacted with integration later. Presently, not sure of the size of the departments now. Some departments have 1 member others have 4 members.

**New Business**

8. **Faculty Senate Integration Subgroup**

Mike Perotti may want to address Senate from a UCC perspective, B. Mehalik will check

#### Faculty senate integration subgroups

A great deal of work has been done in a short amount of time. One piece of missing, faculty senate integration group was lacking, a subgroup is to be started, all 3 schools executive board will be present.

Goal/charge: develop a senate structure

- Q- what structure will best support shared governance
  - What should be the size
  - How elected appoint to this committee
  - How will leadership be structured and determined
  - How body governs itself.
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- ❖ We don't want to lose sight of consultation and advocacy role of senate. Senate integration group will be meeting next Thursday at 11.
  - ❖ Mixed messages have been received regarding how much information can be shared about the work of the various integration groups.
  - ❖ Bob Mehalik is on subgroup traditions, customs & athletic group
  - ❖ Ryan Sittler is on online university tech support (continue with work) & library science curriculum Clarion (which is paused)
  - ❖ Per Middle states- All three universities would be integrated and utilize shared resources. Some say online will be own entity on top on all. Other say this is not the case, rather there will be one main campus and the other university sites and online would be branch campuses.
  - ❖ Program synthesis subgroup- needed to know what programs will integrate by Feb 15 then complete a detailed spreadsheet including curricular thing due March 10<sup>th</sup>- Union got involved

### **9. Opening Discussion – Faculty Senate Role**

**10. Next meetings Spring 2021** – March 25<sup>th</sup>, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, other meeting dates can be scheduled as needed.

#### **Announcements**

#### **Adjournment:**