

Academic Senate Council

March 28, 2018

Attending: Frett, Hendrickson, Huitt, Lefler, MacMillan-Crow, Post, Smith-Olinde, Voth, Whited, Willett

Guests: Gardner, Boysen, Hayar, Mahadevan, Palade

Absent: Bercher, Compadre, Ferguson, James, Karim, McCain, Renard, Rosenbaum, Wei

Called to order at 2:00 PM

1. Minutes of the January 31<sup>st</sup> Academic Senate Council meeting were disseminated. A motion to table the minutes pending review by Council members was made by Whited, seconded by Smith-Olinde and carried on voice vote.
2. Academic Senate Nominations: Lefler reported the following nominations to date
  - a. President-Elect (according to the Constitution at least two, no more than three members for each office)
    - i. Tiffany Huitt
    - ii. Philip Palade
  - b. Member-at-large
    - i. Bradley Martin
  - c. Parliamentarian
    - i. Grover Miller
3. Full Senate meeting in April
  - a. Discussion occurred as to the date of this meeting
  - b. There are several conflicts during the month of April; Lefler will send a poll to the Council members to secure a date
4. Faculty Survey –Compadre will be requested to share data from the Faculty Survey with the Executive Committee before dissemination at the April meeting
5. UA System Policy 405.1
  - a. Discussion on several aspects of the system policy changes and process occurred
  - b. Academic Senate Council agreed that many items were revised based on our feedback and input and we could celebrate these successes; however, this revised document has not been wholly accepted by the faculty at UAMS. There are several items in the document that continue to be problematic and unacceptable to the faculty. It was suggested that we recommend to the Board of Trustees that this policy be tabled in lieu of a new version that could be fully accepted by the faculty.
  - c. It was unanimously agreed that the current revised policy was much better than the original one received from UA Systems in October, and this was the direct result of the Academic Senate's leadership.
  - d. The President and President-Elect indicated they would attend the UA Board of Trustees meeting on Thursday, March 29, where a vote on 405.1 by the Board is expected

The meeting was adjourned at 3:05 pm