

Academic Senate Council Meeting, August 26, 2013

Minutes

Attendees: Daniel Bercher, Phil Breen, Cesar Compadre, Dana Gaddy, Julia Goodwin, Howard Hendrickson, Ilias Kavouras, Thomas Kelly, Lee Ann MacMillan-Crow, Steve Post, Larry Suva, Jerry Ware, Feifei Wei, Serra Ucer

Apologies: Elizabeth Bard, Michael Borrelli, Heather Neal-Rice, Todd Nick, Rebecca Patterson, Paul Wendel

Agenda:

1. Introductions of new council members: Dr. Post introduced Dr. Danny Bercher who is the new representative for the College of Health Related Professions.
2. Minutes from last meeting: Minutes were approved.
3. Survey update: Dr. Post opened up a discussion about the council's opinion on how best to present the survey data on the website. In order to protect privacy of smaller colleges the council decided to use % response to summarize the survey responses. Steve also indicated that the data crunching was time consuming so asked for volunteers to help. The purpose of this summary is twofold: 1) to provide the data to all faculty campus wide and 2) to help identify 'major' issues that trouble faculty across campus. The Chancellor has expressed a strong interest in strategizing to help solve these issues. A small committee, including some council members, will meet with the Chancellor and Deans on Oct 7th to discuss these issues.
4. Special council meeting: The council decided to have another meeting on September 10th to help organize the survey summary and to come to a consensus of all council members on the 'key issues' that should be discussed with the Chancellor on Oct. 7th.
5. Fall Senate meeting date and time: Council agreed on October 10th for Full Senate meeting. The council voted to start the meeting with a 'meet and greet' session (lasting 30 min) at 3:30pm. The official meeting will begin at 4pm. It is hopeful that this meet and greet time will help improve faculty involvement in committees and/or communicate major concerns.
6. Senate Committee Reports: The Faculty Affairs committee discussed working on an ongoing project to revamp the Chancellor's Teaching Award. Jerry Ware volunteered to discuss representing the senate on the export control committee.
7. Weekly seminar notices: The Senate calendar is now located in the Public Folder of Outlook.
8. Other Business: None

Meeting adjourned at noon.