Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes June 1, 2022

The regular meeting of the Faculty Senate was held on June 1, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. in the Clinical Translational Research Building on HSC Campus and online on the TEAMS Platform, Chair David Schultz presiding.

### SENATORS REGISTERING ATTENDANCE

A&S: Simone Bertacco, Michael Cunningham, Eugene Mueller, Natalie Polzer, David Schultz, Christopher Tillquist, Sherri Wallace, Gerard Williger BUSINESS: Jose Fernandez, Kathleen Gosser DENTISTRY: Wil Abshier, James Harrison, Brian Marrillia EDUCATION: Evan Frederick KENT: Jocelyn Fetalver, Jennifer Middleton LIBRARIES: Robert Detmering, Tiffney Gipson, Terri Holtze MEDICINE: Forest Arnold, Barbara Clark, Patrick Harris, Saeed Jortani, Chin Ng, Vinay Puri, Ben Schoenbachler, Craig Silverman NURSING: Lynnette Galloway PART-TIME FACULTY: Roy Fuller, Joseph Gutmann, Tina Johnson PUBLIC HEALTH: Lee Bewley SPEED: Roger Bradshaw, Roman Yampolskiy

### **GUESTS ATTENDING**

UNIVERSITY PROVOST: Dr. Gerry Bradley STAFF SENATE REPRESENTATIVE: Mr. Mike Materna PROVOST OFFICE DESIGNEE: Dr. Cherie Dawson

### ALSO ATTENDING

Robert Cohn, Bonnie Fonseca-Greber, Ann Hall, Meg Hancock, Ann Herd

# SENATORS NOT REGISTERING ATTENDANCE

A&S: Karen Hadley BUSINESS: Robert Barker, Dale McIntosh DENTISTRY: Kathleen Fischer EDUCATION: Michele Foster, Susan Longerbeam Carla Vidoni KENT: Martin Hall LAW: Luke Milligan, Enid Trucios-Haynes, Manning Warren MEDICINE: Yousef Abu-Kwaik, Joshua Choo, Geoffrey Clark, Jennifer Hamm, Kimmerly Harrell, Mary Nan Mallory, Katherine Pohlgeers, Guillermo Rougier, Brian Williams MUSIC: Rebecca Jemian, Chad Sloan, Krista Wallace-Boaz NURSING: Kristin Baisch, Candace Harrington PART-TIME FACULTY: Aaron Ellis, Rose Mills, Tim Roberts PUBLIC HEALTH: Ryan Combs SPEED: Olfa Nasraoui, Jacek Zurada

#### **REPORT: Student Government – Meza**

No report was made.

# **REPORT: Staff Senate – Materna**

Mr. Materna is the new Staff Senate representative and reported on the Staff Senate meeting held on May 10, 2022. The senate received an update from Mr. Tom Miller, CEO for the UofL Health System. Dr. Gail DePuy reported on the new strategic plan. Chair John Smith held a mini-listening session on the presidential search for the senators who may have been unable to attend the scheduled sessions. The Senate held its officer election with John Smith reelected as chair, Kevin Ledford as vice chair and Carcyle Barrett as secretary-treasurer.

**REPORT: Faculty Senate Chair – Schultz** 

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Chair Schultz reported on several topics. The report is online and linked above.

• Updated Strategic Plan 2022-2025 – After the listening tour and the online feedback, a fourth pillar will be added to the plan. It is called Discovery and will focus on research operations. Metrics are also being developed. Another round of input will take place after everything is completed.

Question: What is the timeline for implementation of the new plan?

- Early in the fall semester, August or September.
- **Presidential Search** Input from the listening tour is now with the search firm and they are developing the profile of the candidate.
- **Board of Trustees** The Board approved an extension of the new \$47M gift to 30 years and also had its Budget Workshop. The budget presentation is attached at the end of the Chair's report (linked above).

# **REPORT: Interim University Provost – Bradley**

Dr. Bradley updated senators on the following topics.

**Dean Searches** – Several colleges have searches that will begin in the fall.

- Kent School Dean Teresa Reed (School of Music) will lead that search. Dr. Crystal Collins Camargo will serve as the interim dean.
- Arts & Sciences Dean Bob Fox (University Libraries) will lead this search. Dr. David Owen will continue as interim dean.
- **College of Education** This search will begin in fall 2023. Dr. Amy Lingo will continue as interim dean.
- School of Nursing An interim dean will be named soon.

**Enrollment** – Enrollment numbers are moving towards pre-pandemic levels. Currently, freshman deposits are up about 276 for the fall and that is the highest number in the past four years. Resident tuition has been granted to students in all of Ohio, Indiana and Illinois and in parts of Tennessee.

**Covid** - Infection rates have been rising across both Jefferson County, the state of Kentucky and across the nation. But hospitalization rates are remaining very, very low. It is anticipated there will be a surge potentially in September. We will continue to monitor the situation. The COVID-19 Committee meets monthly and will increase that if necessary.

**Pass/Fail Policy** - Based on feedback from Faculty Senate no change will be made on that for the fall. **Question:** What is being done about the lack of leadership on HSC with no Executive Vice President for Health Affairs?

**Reply:** There is no one in that position and it has been vacant for several years. If you have specific questions or concerns, please email them and I will discuss with the president.

# INFORMATION ITEM: First Reading – CEHD Unit Documents - Detmering

As this was the first reading of the unit documents, there was no discussion. Questions and a discussion will take place next month. The documents are online and linked above.

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Senator Patrick Harris explained that the programs were approved by unit faculty for closure due to low/zero enrollment over several years. The Planning & Budget Committee reviewed the proposals and found no adverse financial impact on the university as the programs had not generated revenue for some time. The programs enter a period of five years before they finally close. This will allow the programs to reopen should any change occur. The art history courses are offered under another major in Fine Arts. The proposals for closure were approved.

- BA in Art History
- Graduate Certificate in Logistics & Distribution

# **REPORTS: Standing Committees**

- Academic Programs Ng
  - This committee recently reviewed a proposal for a graduate certificate in Public Health Training. It will be presented to the Senate at an upcoming meeting.
- Committee on Committees & Credentials Jemian
  - No report was made.
- <u>Executive Committee</u> Mueller
  - A concern was raised regarding the final exam schedule. Should the final exam schedule rotate so the same people do not always have an early, middle or a late final exam? Would senators like to change the rotation, or is everyone satisfied with their final exam schedule? After a brief discussion, Senate Chair Schultz asked senators to survey their unit colleagues and report back at the July meeting. If faculty want to consider a change in exam rotation, then we will look into it further.
  - This report is online and linked above.
- Part-time Faculty Fuller
  - This committee held its election and one new senator is joining the committee. Senator Fuller was reelected as committee chair.
  - Planning & Budget Harris
    - This report is online and linked above.
  - <u>REDBOOK & Bylaws</u> Detmering
    - This report is online and linked above.

# **OTHER REPORTS**

- AAUP Representative Cunningham
  - No report was made.
- CODRE Representative Rougier
  - No report was made.
- COSW Representative Nasraoui
  - No report was made.
- Faculty Athletic Representative (FAR) Wallace-Boaz
  - $\circ \quad \text{No report was made.}$
- ULARP Representative Wise
  - $\circ$   $\;$  This report is online and linked above.

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#### **OLD BUSINESS**

None

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

None

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Schultz noted the following.

- Shared Governance Work Group The Shared Governance Work Group has been populated and will meet in early June.
- **W3 Committee** Thanks to Krista Wallace-Boaz. Dr. Wallace-Boaz has been the co-chair of the W 3 Committee, which is doing the compensation study. She recently stepped down from that position, but she did a tremendous amount of work. I want to publicly acknowledge and thank her for all her work.
- **Graduation** A great graduation ceremony was held last month. Thanks to the faculty who were there in their regalia to send the students off to their next adventures. It is a great event to see our students succeed in and move on.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 3:55 P.M.

Respectfully submitted, Gretchen Henry Senate Coordinator