University Senate – April 26, 2021

University Senate Meeting Minutes
April 26, 2021
3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

IN ATTENDANCE:

ABSENT:
Lonnie Allbaugh, Lorraine Arocho, Andra Basu, Rob Berkowitz, Bill Broun, Michele Conners, Darla Darno, Kevin Davis, Christopher Domanski, William Green, Diane Holben, Eric Hunt, Shelby Jimcosky, Brooke Langan, Paul Lippert, Minkyo Lee, Clare Lenthart, Andi McClanahan, Kelly McKenzie, Jevon Mitchell, Al Moranville, Margaret Mullan, Mary Frances Postupack, Mariah Ranton, Albert Rivera, Arshad Rivers, Melinda Rosen, Jessica Santiago, Leigh Smith, Robert Smith, Brandon Snyder, Tom Tauer, Lorelynnette Trinidad, Daisy Wang, Shawn Watkins, Samantha Williams, Sylvester Williams, Amani Yeboah, Xiaochen Zhou

Roll Call

1) Review of April Minutes
   - Approved
2) University President’s Report: Update from President Long:
   - Interim President Long thanked everyone for their support during the year with a special thanks to the President’s cabinet and the Union Presidents.
3) Fix the Agenda – no changes to the agenda.
4) Committee reports:
   a. Executive Committee –
      i. Maria Kitchen-Kinz appointed as state system representative to replace the opening left by Rob Smith
   b. Academic Affairs – nothing to report
   c. Rules and By-Laws – Proposal for changes in constitution wording to be clearer.
      Vote in new business.
   d. Campus Life and Inclusive Excellence Committee – Nothing new to report.
e. Budget, Finance and Planning – Committee met to discuss financial picture for next year and some of the issues we are facing. Looking at enrollments, which will be down considerably. We also have a deficit more than originally projected. We need to be conservative and cautious moving forward.

f. Research – The survey was sent out on via email on April 8th, everyone is encouraged to take the survey. Thank you to Jo Bruno for sending out reminders. The survey closes on April 30th.

g. Student Government Association Report – Nothing to report

5) Old Business – none

6) New Business –

   a) Election of Senate President: Nomination received for Maria Kitchens-Kinz, who accepted the nomination and was voted into office by acclimation.

   b) Rules and By-laws: Proposed By-Laws Addition

      i. Section II I: Conduct of Senate Business: Only non-senators can act as designees for ex-officio Senate members and each designee can only represent one ex-officio member at a single meeting.

         o Vote passed. Will be added to the By-Laws.

   c) Rules and By-Laws: Proposed Constitutional Change

      i. Current:

         1. Section 4.2.4 Unions: The presidents of SPFPA and SCUPA shall select one representative from their organization to be senators. The president of APSCUF shall appoint one coach to be a senator. AFSCME shall select three representatives to be senators: two from persons represented by the AFSCME Master Agreement and one from those represented by the AFSCME Master Memorandum (First-Level Supervisors).

      ii. Proposed:

         1. Section 4.2.4 Unions: The presidents of SPFPA and SCUPA shall represent their organization or designate a representative from their organization to be senators.

            o Discussion – many issues addressed

            ▪ Vote – passed.

7) Open Discussion – none

8) Announcements:

   • none

9) Adjournment @ 15:27