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Faculty Senate Meeting

Minutes

April 2, 2018

3:30 PM

Presiding: Michael Graves

Attendees: Lisa Abdallah, Alex Angulo, Michelle Bazin, John Brown, Clifford Bruell, Bryan Buchholz, Matteo Cimini, Timothy Cook, Mitra Das, Ann Dean, Urmitapa Dutta, Heidi Fantasia, Zahra Fardmanesh, Jennifer Fish, Patricia Fontaine, Michele Fox, Alice Frye, Matthew Gage, Huiqi Gan, Richard Gaschnig, Robert Giles, Jennifer Gorczyca, Mary Gormley, Michael Graves, Christopher Hansen, Michelle Haynes-Baratz, Andrew Hostetler, Beth Humberd, Murat Inalpolat, Stephen Johnston, Wael Kamal, Whitley Kaufman, Alexander Kheifets, Daniel Klain, Mona Kleinberg, Margaret Knight, Nicolai Konow, Tunde Kovacs, Eunju Lee, Jongsoo Lee, Kenneth Levasseur, Karen Lin, Hunter Mack, Mufeed Mahd, Sara Marks, Arthur Mittler, Donna Mullin, Wilson Palacios, Robert Parkin, Melissa Pennell, Kevin Petersen, Misha Rabinovich, Rocio Rosales, Charlotte Ryan, David Ryan, Meg Sobkowicz-Kline, Christoph Strobel, Sang Hyun Suh, Kate Swanger, Walter Thomas, Edgar Torres, Mark Tries, Jennifer Wilber, Thomas Wilson, Holly Yanco, Hengyong Yu, Xiaoqi Zhang, Yuan Zhang

Recording: Martha Burns

The meeting commenced at 3:28 PM.

- Minutes of the March 5, 2018 Faculty Senate Meeting
- Update from Faculty Athletics Representative (FAR)

Professor Avery introduced himself as a Professor of English at UMass Lowell holding the position of Faculty Athletics Representative (FAR) – a required position at all NCAA member schools. He indicated that he will be providing an annual update to the Faculty Senate. The Athletics Department is very devoted to its student athletes and the primary of academics in their success. There are many key players contributing to our success on both the Athletics side and on the Academic side – Vice Provost for Student Success Julie Nash and the Registrar's office staff to name a few. He noted

particular staff members in the Athletics Department – Sandra Niedergall, Senior Associate Athletic Director and Senior Woman Administrator, Alison Quandt Westgate, Associate Athletic Director for Academics and Student-Athlete Services and Lauren Trapasso and Michael Anderson, both Academic Coordinators in the Athletics Department.

- Budget Update

Associate Vice Chancellor O’Riordan provided an overview of the FY 2018 budget.

Provost Michael Vayda also provided an overview of the budget. He outlined the model that has been implemented for budget development.

Graduate Policy and Affairs Committee (GPAC), (Professor Buchholz)

- Proposal to retitle the Population Health Option to the Social and Behavioral Sciences Option

A motion was made to accept the proposal to rename the Population Health Option to the Social and Behavioral Sciences Option. It was seconded and passed unanimously.

Undergraduate Policy Committee (UPC), (Professor Mittler)

- Proposal for an Aerospace Minor

A motion was made to accept the proposal for an Aerospace Minor. It was seconded and passed unanimously.

- Proposal to retitle the Bachelor of Science (BS) in Exercise Physiology to a BS in Exercise Science

A motion was made to accept the Proposal to retitle the Bachelor of Science (BS) in Exercise Physiology to a BS in Exercise Science. It was seconded and passed unanimously.

- Proposal to retitle the Environmental Studies Option to the Environmental Science Option in the Bachelor of Science (BS) in Environmental Science

A motion was made to accept the Proposal to retitle the Environmental Studies Option to the Environmental Science Option in the BS in Environmental Science.

- Proposal to retitle the Environmental Geoscience Option to the Geoscience Option in the Bachelor of Science (BS) in Environmental Science

A motion was made to accept the Proposal to retitle the Environmental Geoscience Option to the Geoscience Option in the BS in Environmental Science. It was seconded and passed unanimously.

- Proposal for a Creative Writing Minor

A motion was made to accept the Proposal for a Creative Writing Minor. It was seconded and passed unanimously.

- Proposal for a Journalism and Professional Writing Minor

A motion was made to accept the Proposal for a Journalism and Professional Writing Minor. It was seconded and passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 4:20 PM.