

## **Faculty Senate Minutes #1**

**February 2, 2016**

**Senators and Members Present:** K. Lawrence, S. Anderson, W. Miller, A. Blavos, D. VanLangen, N. Chaddock, M. Braun, G. Sharer, G. Rinefierd, L. Brady, J. Kobritz, M. Prus, R. Spitzer, D. Duryea, E. Bitterbaum, D. West, M. McGuire, K. Pristash, A. Fitz-Gibbon, S. Shi, R. Borden, P. Gipson, A. Dearie

**Senators and Members Absent:** J. Hartstock, D. Kilpatrick, N. Karlov, O. White, M. Seyfried, T. Hanford, R. Powell, Z. Newswanger, T. Phillips, N. Kane, P. Schroedor

**Guests Present:** J. Wilson

**I. Approval of the Minutes:** The Minutes from December 1, 2015 were approved.

**II. Senate Actions:** There were no Senate actions.

**III. Chair's Report:** K. Lawrence – The Chair opened the meeting by reporting the immediate need for a Faculty Senate officer to fill the void of Vice Chair. K. Lawrence also reviewed Faculty Senate Meeting Schedule for the 2016 Spring Semester and noted a change in the Steering Committee Schedule; there will be a Steering Committee Meeting on 4/26/16, rather than on 4/29/16.

**IV. Vice Chair's Report:** No Vice Chair to report.

**V. Treasurer's Report:** M. McGuire – The Treasurer reported that the Scholarship Fund is currently seeking contributions.

**VI. Secretary's Report:** There was no Secretary's report.

**VII. President's Report:**

- Budget – Rational Tuition Policy
- Finish renovating Moffet
- McDonald Building needs renovating
- Track and Right Field needs renovating
- Brown Auditorium needs renovating

## **VII. Standing Committee Reports:**

**Student Affairs Committee** – T. Phillips, Chair, no report

**Academic Faculty Affairs Committee** – A. Fitz-Gibbon, Chair reported there will be a revision made to Sections 220.05 and 230 of the College Handbook regarding Personnel Procedures for Faculty.

**Planning Committee** – M. DiVita, Chair, no report

**Educational Policy Committee** – C. Widdal, Chair, no report

**Professional Affairs Committee** – K. Pristash, Chair, no report

**Area Senator**- No report

**SUNY Senator** – N. Chaddock, Chair reported on her visit to a conference at SUNY Stony Brook; presented discussion regarding SUNY's Inclusion Policy (specifically, Gender Inclusion Policy.).

**Student Senator** – M. Braun, reported that the first SGA formal will be held this Friday, 2/9/16. Braun also discussed his experiences at the European Union Conference as a SUNY Model Student Representative. He expressed his gratitude for the program, explaining how it was a unique and a rewarding experience that other students should have the opportunity to experience in the future.

## **IX. Other Committee Reports:**

**Committee on Teaching Awards** – No reports

**Committee on Teaching Effectiveness** – No reports

**College Research Committee** – No reports

**General Education Committee** – No reports

**Graduate Faculty Executive Committee** – No reports

**Committee on Committees** – Please see document below, *Appendix I*.

**X. Unfinished Business:** No unfinished business to report.

**XI. New Business:** No new business to report

**XII. Announcements:** R. Borden reported there will be an EOP conference on 2/10/16; he expressed attendance to said conference would exemplify one's commitment to higher education.

**Meeting was adjourned at 1:47 pm. on 2/2/16.**

Minutes submitted by,

Amy M. DeChellis

## *Appendix I*

Call for Nominations – Spring 2016  
Faculty Senate Offices, Committees and Senate Seats

The Committee on Committees is seeking nominations for current vacancies. Nominations should be submitted via email to Gary Evans ([gary.evans@cortland.edu](mailto:gary.evans@cortland.edu)) or by phone (extension 2302). Candidates may self-nominate or nominate someone else. If nominating someone else, please be sure you have that person's permission to do so.

Deadline for nominations is Friday, Feb. 5, 2016, 4 p.m.

There are 9 vacancies and they are presented according to area as follows:

1. At Large (4)
2. School of Arts & Sciences (3)
3. School of Education (1)
4. School of Professional Studies (1)
5. Library (0)

1. At Large (any member of voting academic faculty or professional staff unless otherwise noted):

Seat	Term	Elected/Appointed	Notes
Vice Chair	2015-16	Elected	
Secretary	2015-16	Elected	No more than 2 successive terms
Committee on Teaching Effectiveness -	2015-18	Appointed	No consecutive terms
General Education Committee	2015-17	Appointed	Complete an unexpired term

2. School of Arts & Sciences (seats are appointed unless otherwise noted):

Seat	Representing	Term	Notes
College Curriculum Review Committee	Math/Science	2014-16	Complete unexpired term No more than 2 successive terms
College Curriculum Review Committee	Social/Behavioral	Sp. 2016	Leave replacement
Student Affairs Committee	Fine Arts/Hum.	2014-16	Complete unexpired term

3. School of Education – At Large (seats are appointed unless otherwise noted):

Seat	Term	Notes
Senate Seat	2015-17	Elected Seat

4. School of Professional Studies (seats are appointed unless otherwise noted):

Seat	Term	Notes
Academic Faculty Affairs Committee	Sp. 16	One semester replacement

5. Library – At Large (seats are appointed unless otherwise noted):

Seat	Term	Notes
N/A		

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