

## Faculty Senate Minutes #3

March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020

**Members and Senators Present:** S. Anderson, C. Badurek, G. Birren, , A. Blavos, R. Borden, S. Comins, A. Curtis, A. Dearie, A. DeChellis, M. DiVita, A. Fitz-Gibbon, C. Grate, H. Haines, A. Hasbrouck, F. Ishaq, C. Kuretich, V. Placide, R. Powell, T. Suzuki, R. Vooris, , D. West, B. Williams,

**Members and Senators Absent:** A. Addoniso, C. Bennett, E. Bitterbaum, C. Costell Corbin, M. Fox, R. Grantham, J. Hall, C. Hickey, L. Jin, K. Ibe-Lamberts, J. McNamara, A. Myles, P. Perkins, M. Prus, E. Owens, P. Schroeder, G. Sharer, S. Strause, C. Widdall, J. Zhe-Heimerman

**I. Approval of Minutes:** The Minutes from February 18<sup>th</sup> were approved by the Senate.

**II. Chair's Report:** M. DiVita – reported on her attendance of the Middle States site meetings; they were informative. SUNY Cortland is up for accreditation, so there will be several opportunities for faculty, staff, and students to be engaged in the process.

**III. Vice Chair's Report:** G. Birren – No report.

**IV. Treasurer's Report:** K. Ibe-Lamberts – No report.

**V. Secretary's Report:** F. Ishaq – No report

**VI. President's Report:** E. Bitterbaum – No report.

### **VII. Policy Committee Reports**

**Joint Committee on Student Interests:** A. Blavos – Reported that the JCSI has selected 5 students for the Faculty Senate Memorial Scholarship; will release names at the next senate meeting after all students have been notified first.

**Academic Faculty Affairs Committee:** A. Fitz-Gibbon – No report.

**Educational Policy Committee:** C. Widdall, Chair – No report.

**Professional Affairs Committee:** C. Hickey, Chair – No report

**Area Senators:** No report

**SUNY Senator/ Alternate Senator:** R. Vooris/C. Badurek – R. Vooris reported that SUNY Central is currently in the process of creating a working group concerning the Coronavirus.

**Student Senator:** C. Bennett:

- A. Hasbrouck reported on behalf of c. Bennett, as he is in Washington D.C. attending the AIPAC conference.
- Higher Education Action Day was a big success; over 600 students attended.
- The SGA has had an introductory manifesto meeting regarding the issue of parking on campus, which went well.
- SGA elections start soon; there will be a meeting tonight (3/3/20) at 7PM in the SGA Conference room for any students interested in running.

### **VIII. Other Standing Committee Reports:**

**Committee on Teaching Effectiveness:** K. Bonafide, Chair – No report.

**College Curriculum Review Committee:** K. Polasek, Chair – No report.

**College Research Committee:** R. Vooris, Chair – No report.

**General Education Committee:** J. McNamara, Chair – No report.

**Graduate Faculty Executive Committee:** N. Wilson, Chair – No report.

**Committee on Teaching Awards:** M. DiVita, Chair – All awards are moving forward.

**IX. Unfinished Business:**

- Call for Nominations, Fall 2019 – Additional nominations were taken from the floor; there weren't any nominations from the floor; there was one self-nomination as follows: (*Please find document attached in email*)
  - College Review Committee, representing Professional Staff, Term 2019-2022: D. Burdick; elected from the floor of the senate.

**X. New Business:**

- Graduate Coursework Policy Revision – Policy to support 3+2 and 4+1 programs for undergraduate students taking 500-level courses; was introduced to senate and clarifying questions were asked (*Please find policy attached in email*).
- Executive Board Updates/Changes – Proposed policy updates regarding responsibilities of the senate chair, vice chair, and past-presiding chair were introduced to the senate; clarifying questions were asked (*Please find policy attached in email*).

**XI. Announcements:**

- M. DiVita made an announcement in regard to the CTE items that have been a recent concern for the state-level chapter of UUP; changes to CTE items are the purview of the state-level UUP, and therefore, the provost may recommend not to approve changes to Cortland's CTE questions which were endorsed by the senate a year ago; for the time being, those CTE items that were passed by the senate last year are tabled until the issues with the state UUP are resolved.
- M. DiVita announced Jamie Dangler will attend the 3/10/20 steering committee meeting, as well as the 3/24/20 faculty senate meeting.
- M. DiVita also announced the UUP Cortland Solidarity Rally, #FundSUNY, that will be taking place this afternoon (3/3/20) from 3-4PM on the steps of Corey Union; encouraged attendance

**Meeting was adjourned at 1:52PM on 3/3/20**

Minutes submitted by: Amy M. DeChellis