

MINUTES OF THE SEVENTH MEETING OF THE 2018-19 UNIVERSITY SENATE
February 28, 2019

Members Present: 44

Members Absent: 20

1. The meeting was called to order by the Chair of the University Senate, Tarek Mahfouz, at 4:00 p.m.
Roll Call was taken by initialing the roster located at the entrance to LB 125.

Members Present: C. Airriess, Y. Ayalon, C. Balukas, R. Bernot, K. Berryhill, D. Boyd, M. Cairns, J. Christman, E. Crawford, J. Emert, B. Frankel, J. Fry, K. Gayes, L. Helms, J. Hopwood, J. Huff, T. Jitpaiboon, K. Kessler, C. Kinsella, R. Kraus, A. Kuban, S. Lee, D. Lytle, T. Mahfouz, K. McCauliff, C. McIntosh, P. Nagelkirk, J. Place, R. Rice-Snow, J. Rybarczyk, S. Shim, J. Thaller, R. Wijesinghe, S. Wilson, A. Yen

Substitutes: J. Griffith for L. Bielski, A. Beane for B. Condie, S. Homes-Hogue for M. Hill, J. Bynum for M. Kovach, C. Luchs for J. Ledbetter, K. Snavelly for I. Mitchell, B. Clark for J. Sponseller, D. Nardi for M. Tagler

Members Absent: C. Bohanon, K. Bontrager, J. Fitzgerald, S. Fulton, M. Hinkleman, R. Kovac, K. Kreamelmeyer, M. Lee, J. Lehmler, I. Livshits, J. McKinney, B. Means, G. Mearns, S. Rivera-Mills, D. Roof, M. South, M. Wilson, S. Wu, E. Zygmunt

Substitutions were noted.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of January 17, 2019.

Two abstentions noted.

Motion carried.

2. Announcements

- A. Next Scheduled Meetings:

University Senate – Thursday, March 28, 2019 in LB 125

Senate Agenda Committee- Monday, March 18, 2019 in LB 104

- B. Academic Posting Volume XLVIII-2 (attached PDF)

3. Recognition of Deaths- A moment of silence was conducted.

John Gee

Associate Professor Emeritus of Art

Retired 2010

36 years of service

Stephen Bell

Professor Emeritus of Telecommunications

Retired 2007

15 years of service

Dr. Alice S. Bennett

Professor Emerita of Biology

Retired 1998

31 years of service

4. Committee Reports

- A. Governance and Elections Committee – Karen Kessler – The committee is finalizing the membership of the Ad hoc Writing Committee. If anyone has interest or recommendations, contact her by end of day on March 12. In March and April, they will be looking for anyone interested in serving on the executive committee for the Governance and Elections Committee. These elections will occur at the April 11, 2019 meeting.
- B. Faculty Council – Yaron Ayalon – The council met on February 21, 2019. The council reviewed a proposal from the Contract Faculty Committee that will be heard today and an issue with the University Promotion and Tenure Committee. He anticipates there will be information shared soon about the core curriculum framework.
- C. University Council – Laura Helms – The council's meeting on February 7, 2019 was cancelled due to no new business. They plan to have a Financial Presentation at the next meeting on March 14, 2019.
- D. Campus Council – Kathy Berryhill – The council will meet for new business on April 11, 2019. The Board of Trustee student application process is coming to an end. Selection and recommendation will be made soon.

5. Report by Chairperson of Senate – Tarek Mahfouz – GANTT chart (Enclosure #1) - Issues in the Senate System

- A. Board of Trustee Membership- This item has been approved by the Faculty Council and will be discussed today.
- B. Library Committee Resolution- Faculty Council is waiting to hear back from the Library Committee on any updates. Bruce Frankel reports the Library Committee met on February 26, 2019 with no new information to share.

- C. Faculty Designation Change Proposal- This item has been approved by the Faculty Council and will be discussed today.
- D. International Programs Committee FPPH Revisions- This item will be discussed today.
- E. Dissolution of Online Distance Education Committee- This item will be discussed today.
- F. SGA- ROTC Priority Scheduling- Student Government Association – The Admissions and Credits Committee is still considering this item. Laura Helms reported that it was discussed but no vote has been taken as of this time. The committee hopes to establish a standard policy addressing requests like this moving forward.
- G. SGA- LGBTQ Affairs Liaison- This item will be discussed at the Senate Agenda Committee meeting on March 18, 2019.
- H. Mission Update- This item will be discussed at the Governance and Elections Committee meeting on March 21, 2019.
- I. Senate Restructuring Ad hoc Committee (SRAHC) Writing Committee- The committee is finalizing the membership of the Ad hoc Writing Committee, accepting interest and recommendations by end of day on March 12, 2019.

6. Questions Directed to the President Mearns:

President Mearns was not present to answer questions. The Provost was not available for questions. Chief Strategy Officer Sue Hodges-Moore was present to answer questions.
No questions were asked.

7. Question and Answer Period:

There were no additional questions.

8. Unfinished Business:

There was no unfinished business.

9. New Business:

- A. Dissolution of the Online Distance Education Committee- Trudi Weyermann was not present. Craig Meinhart is present to answer questions if needed.
There was a motion and seconded for discussion. Discussion ensued.

Kathy Berryhill made a motion to approve tabling this item for discussion at the next meeting on March 28, 2019.
The motion was seconded.
Two opposed votes and one abstention were noted.
Motion carried.

- B. Board of Trustee Membership Resolution- (Enclosure #2)- Chris Airriess
This item was voted on and approved by the Faculty Council on January 24, 2019. Tarek Mahfouz provided background information.
Bruce Frankel offered a friendly amendment to add the wording “from full-time faculty” under number 1. In the resolution. This was a clerical error that will be corrected.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the resolution.
Motion carried.

- C. Faculty Handbook Revisions- International Programs Committee- (Enclosure #3)- Dom Caristi was not present.
Karen Kessler made a motion to table this item to the March 28, 2019 meeting.
The motion was seconded.
Discussion ensued.
Karen Kessler withdraw the motion due to discussion leading to the determination that this item should be provided to the Governance and Elections Committee for review on March 21, 2019.

10. Other Items:

There were no other items.

11. Adjournment:

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 4:40 p.m.

Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Laura Helms, Secretary