AGENDA FOR
UNIVERSITY SENATE MEETING

(Meeting #3, 2021-2022)

December 2, 2021
4:00 p.m.
Zoom Online Conference

Approval of the University Senate Minutes of September 30, 2021.

I. Announcements
   A. Next Scheduled Meetings
      University Senate – Thursday, January 20, 2022, 4:00 p.m., Zoom Online Conference meeting unless notified otherwise
      Senate Agenda Committee – Monday, January 10, 2022, 2:00 p.m., Zoom Online Conference meeting

II. Recognition of Deaths
    Dr. Joseph R. McKinney  
    Professor Emeritus of Education Leadership  
    Retired 2019  
    28 years of service
    Charles (Dan) Woodfin  
    Professor Emeritus of Architecture  
    Retired 2018  
    45 years of service

    Dr. Frank J. Sparzo  
    Professor Emeritus of Psychology - Educational Psychology  
    Retired 2006  
    38 years of service
    Dr. E. Bruce Kirkham  
    Professor Emeritus of English  
    Retired 2000  
    32 years of service

    Dr. William Moser  
    Assistant Professor of Marketing Emeritus  
    Retired August 2021  
    53 years of service

III. Questions Directed to President Mearns

IV. Budget Model Presentation- Alan Finn and Scott Stachler (attached PowerPoint)

V. Committee Reports
   A. Governance and Elections Committee – Nathan Bogert, Chairperson
   B. Faculty Council – Chris Van Hof, Chairperson
   C. Professional Personnel Council – Melanie Turner, Vice Chairperson
   D. Student Government Association- Tina Nguyen/Davis Odom

VI. Report by Chairperson of Senate – Kesha Coker– GANTT chart (Enclosure #1 - Issues in the Senate System)

VII. Question and Answer Period

VIII. Unfinished Business

IX. New Business
X. Other Items

XI. Adjournment

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1. The meeting was called to order by the Chair of the University Senate, Kesha Coker, at 4:00 p.m.

Substitutions were asked to email Bethany Allen for record keeping purposes. Kesha asked if anyone objected to the meeting being recorded. No one opposed. Kesha began the recording.


**Substitutes:** A. Nickoli for C. Cash, L. Gerstein for M. Tschopp

**Members Absent:** C. Bohanon, J. Emert, D. Odom, G. Mearns

**Guests:** J. Buckrop, K. Mc. Bride, K. McCauliff, M. Stephenson

Kesha Coker announced that Sam Snideman has agreed to serve as Senate Parliamentarian.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of August 26, 2021. No nays noted. No abstentions noted. Motion carried.

2. Announcements
   
   A. Next Scheduled Meetings
      
      University Senate – Thursday, October 28, 2021, 4:00 p.m., Zoom
      Senate Agenda Committee – Monday, October 18, 2021, 2:00 p.m., Zoom

      Please have any new items of business submitted to the Senate office no later than October 8, 2021.

      B. Reaffirmation of Standing Rules for University Senate (Enclosure #1)- The Standing Rules were provided for individual review.

      C. Graduate Education Committee- Admission as a Non-Degree Only Student proposal. (Enclosure #2)

      This proposal was voted on and approved by Faculty Council on September 2, 2021.


4. Questions Directed to President Mearns. Provost Susana Rivera-Mills was present in place of the President today.

   Provost Rivera-Mills discussed the following:
   - The student retention plan will be discussed at the Board of Trustees meeting tomorrow, October 1, 2021.
   - Kesha Coker will be providing a Senate report.
   - New micro grants will be rolling out later in the fall to incentivize course redesigns.
   - An early tenure presentation was shared in July with the Academic Leadership Group to provide more information to the colleges regarding expectations for early tenure including a power point provided to the Deans.
   - The President remains satisfied with the increasing level of COVID vaccinations on campus and there is no vaccine mandate currently.
   - Based on student experiences, some masking exceptions have been permitted. If this causes any issues a return to more restricted protocol may be necessary.

5. Committee Reports
A. **Governance and Elections Committee** – Nathan Bogert- The most recent meeting was cancelled due to no new business. We will be receiving new members to serve from Faculty Council appointments soon. The next meeting is set for October 28, 2021.

B. **Faculty Council** – Chris Van Hof- Chris is working to fill committee vacancies with appointments. Volunteers have been asked to serve on various committees. He is working with Deans and Associate Deans to get volunteers from specific colleges. The next Faculty Council meeting is set for October 7, 2021.

C. **Professional Personnel Council** – Sam Snideman- The council met on September 9, 2021. Sam Snideman was re-elected as Chair. Melanie Turner was elected as Vice Chair and Rhonda Wilson as Secretary. The next meeting is set for October 14, 2021.

D. **Student Government Association** – Tina Nguyen/Davis Odom- The Diversity Deep Dive will take place on October 6, 2021 from 5-7pm at the University Greens. Please share the information.

6. **Report by Chairperson of Senate** – Kesha Coker – Gantt chart (Enclosure #3) - Issues in the Senate System
   Kesha reviewed each item briefly, highlighting the current location and ongoing nature of each. These items included:
   A. Graduate Education Committee- Admission as a Non-Degree Only student- This item was announced today.
   B. Undergraduate Education Committee-BA/BS Program Distinctions- This item remains with the committee.
   C. Undergraduate Education Committee- Credit for Prior Learning- This item remains with the committee.
   D. Academic Freedom & Ethics Committee Ombudsperson Proposal- An ad hoc is being formed to further research this proposal.
   E. Faculty and Professional Personnel Handbook Edits- Section 100 & 59.1.8.4.- This item will be discussed today.

7. **Question and Answer Period**- There are no additional questions currently.

8. **Unfinished Business**- There is no unfinished business currently.

9. **New Business**:
   A. Faculty and Professional Personnel edits- Section 59.1.8.4., 59.2.1., 100., 108.1. (Enclosure #4)- Jesse Tye
      Jesse Tye provided background information about the edits needed in the referenced sections. He shared a short power point presentation to show all the proposed edits.
      
      A motion is made and seconded to approve the proposed edits to the Faculty and Professional Personnel Handbook.
      No nays noted. No abstentions noted.
      Motion carried.

10. **Other Items**- There are no other items currently.

11. **Adjournment**:
    A motion was made and seconded to adjourn University Senate at 4:31 p.m.
    No nays noted. No abstentions noted.
    Motion carried

Respectfully Submitted,

Natalee Seely, Secretary

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The Chairperson of the 2021-22 Faculty Council, Chris Van Hof called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. Roll call was taken by logging into the Zoom meeting. The meeting will be digitally recorded through Zoom.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of September 2, 2021. No nays noted. No abstentions noted. The motion carried.

1. Announcements
   A. Next scheduled meetings
      • Items for next agenda to be received by Senate Office no later than Friday, October 22, 2021, for electronic review by Faculty Council agenda committee
      • Faculty Council – November 4, 2021, 4:00 p.m., Zoom Online Conference

   B. Items currently in committees- GANTT Chart (Enclosure #1)
      1. University Promotion & Tenure Joint Statement- This item will be discussed today.
      2. Undergraduate Education Committee- BA/BS Program Distinctions- This item remains with the committee for further review.
      3. Undergraduate Education Committee-Credit for Prior Learning- This item remains with the committee for further review.
      4. Academic Freedom & Ethics Committee Ombudsperson Proposal- An ad hoc committee is being created to further research this proposal.

2. Unfinished Business
   A. University Promotion and Tenure Committee- Joint Appointment Statement in Faculty Handbook- Henry Wang (Enclosure #2 and attachments titled; Joint Appointments Task Force Report, Miami University Joint Faculty Guidelines, The College of William and Mary1)

   Most recent update: The University Promotion and Tenure Joint Appointment Statement was reviewed and approved by the Faculty Council on March 18, 2021 and announced at University Senate on April 22, 2021. When the item was presented to the Administration, it was returned to Faculty Council requesting the written policy to be submitted.

   Henry Wang provided background information about the approved proposal and referenced the two documents that show examples of the joint appointment statement. Discussion ensued.
A motion was made and seconded to review via email the already approved definition of joint appointments that should be included in the Faculty and Professional Personnel Handbook. No nays noted. No abstentions noted. 

**Motion carried.**

Chris Van Hof noted that this will be brought back to the Faculty Council agenda at the next meeting on November 4, 2021.

**B. Remaining Vacancies within governance specifically for Faculty Council members: List as of 10/7/21:**

1. **Governance and Elections** - MCOB, CCIM, CFA, CAP, CSH
2. **Non-Tenure-Line Faculty** - *I am charged with making an appointment*
3. **Professional Personnel Council** - CAP, MCOB, CCIM, TC
4. **Teaching Evaluation Committee** - Need FC rep

Chris Van Hof invited Faculty Council members to volunteer for the remaining vacancies during today’s meeting either by sending a message or writing it in the chat section. The following information was captured.

Barry Wagner to be Faculty Council representative on Academic Freedom & Ethics Committee
Pamela Schaal, CSH representative to serve on Governance and Elections Committee
James Mark Mayer, MCOB representative to serve on Professional Personnel Council
Jess Ward, CSH representative to serve on Research Committee
Adam Kuban, CCIM representative to serve on Professional Personnel Council

3. **New Business- There is no new business currently.**

4. **Question and Answer Period.** Anand Marri is present to answer any questions.

5. **Other items**
   A. **University Core Curriculum** - Carolyn Malone explained that a proposal made to Faculty Council on March 21, 2019 regarding reducing the core curriculum credit hours from thirty-six (36) to thirty (30) hours had been sent to the administration for consideration. The concern of the University Core Curriculum Committee is that this proposal was only one part of a larger proposal. Without the entire proposal receiving approval, the change in core curriculum credit hours should be put on hold. Discussion ensued regarding the appropriate way to address this concern and determine a resolution.

   A motion was made and seconded to send the University Core Curriculum Committee- Reduction of Core Curriculum Credit Hours proposal back to the University Core Curriculum Committee for further review. Discussion ensued and questions were considered. The motion was withdrawn with no objections.

   A motion was made and seconded that Faculty Council will rescind the previously approved March 21, 2019 University Core Curriculum Committee- Reduction of Credit Hours from thirty-six hours (36) to thirty hours (30) proposal. No nays noted. No abstentions noted. The motion carried.

6. **Adjournment**
   A motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 4:36 p.m. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Rachel Kraus, Secretary /ba
The Chairperson of the 2021-22 Council, Sam Snideman, called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.
Roll call was taken by joining the Zoom meeting. Quorum was met.

Approval of the minutes from September 9, 2021 was entertained.
A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes.
No nays noted. No abstentions noted.
The motion carried.

1. Announcements
   A. Next meeting: Professional Personnel Council: November 11, 2021, 4:00 p.m., Zoom Meeting
      Please have any business submitted no later than October 29, 2021.
      The dates were reviewed.

2. Unfinished Business- There is no unfinished business currently.

3. New Business- There is no new business currently.

4. Items in Committees- GANNT Chart (Enclosure #1)- There are no pending items of business for Professional Personnel Council currently.

5. Question and Answer Period:
   - Where should business items be submitted and how are they handled? Submit any items to Sam Snideman and depending on the item, after conferring with the Vice Chair Melanie Turner and Secretary Rhonda Wilson, the business item may be brought directly to the Professional Personnel Council or referred to a specific committee.
   - What exactly does this council do? This council represents professional personnel within governance, like Faculty Council and the Student Government Association represents faculty and students within the governance system.

6. Other items
   A. Charge to the Professional Personnel Technology Committee- A charge will be presented to this new committee to determine their responsibilities and any Ex officios they may need.

**Professional Personnel Technology Committee**
(14 Members)

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Professional Personnel Council Representative (1): Cindy Cash (2024)
Undergraduate Student (1): TBD
Graduate Student (1): TBD

An inquiry was made regarding how this committee came about and was created. The undersecretary will review records from the New Constitution Ad hoc committee to research this information.

7. Adjournment

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn Professional Personnel Council at 4:12 p.m.
The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Rhonda Wilson, Secretary
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