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2018-2019: Meeting #5

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY
FACULTY SENATE DRAFT MINUTES
FEBRUARY 18, 2020, 3:15 PM
INTERNATIONAL CENTER, ROOM 115

Present: B. Aiello, R. Bell, G. Benitez, A. Borcila, J. Bunnell, H. Cho, J. Cholewicki, L. Cloud, A. Contreras, A. Corner, M. Crimp, P. Crane, M. Donahue, A. Dunn, D. Ewoldsen, J. Felton, E. Frantz, G. Garrity, E. Gardner, S. Gasteyer, M. Ghamami, J. Goldbort, D. Gould, C. Grosso, J. Guzetta, A. Hauser, N. Hays, B. Holtz, G. Hoppenstand, R. Isaacs, J. Jiang, J. Johnson, M. Johnson, M. Kiupel, L. Lapidus, K.S. Lee, M.H. Lee, S. Logan, J. MacKeigan, E. Marcyk-Taylor, L. Martin, M. Mazei-Robison, M. Mechtel, J. Meier, M. Miklavcic, M. Miksicek, K. Miller, D. Moriarty, F. Nunes, R. Ofoli, A. Olomu, A. Pegler-Gordon, D. Polischuk, R. Root, J. Francis (for J. Rosa), E. Rosser, C. Scales, J. Searl, T. Silvestri, J. Slade, N. Smeltekop, G. Stone, P.N. Tan, B. Teppen, S. Valberg, M. Wallace, G. Wittenbaum, N. Wright, A. Zeleke.

Absent: M. Abel, S. Anthony, B. Beekman, A. Bennett, J. Dulebohn, D. Foran, R. Fulton, L. McCabe, D. Mendez, N. Parameswaran, R. Pennock, A. Ruvio, D. Sheridan, S. Stanley, T. Sullivan, Z. Szendrei, J. Yun.

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. Approval of Agenda for February 18, 2020

The **agenda for February 18, 2020** was **approved** as presented.

3. Approval of Draft Minutes for January 14, 2020

The **minutes for January 14, 2020** were **approved** as distributed.

4. President's Remarks: Dr. Samuel L. Stanley (unable to attend)

5. Interim Provost's Remarks: Dr. Teresa A. Sullivan (unable to attend)

6. Chairperson's Remarks: Professor Deborah Moriarty

Professor Moriarty reported on the comments regarding the use of the Minskoff Pavilion for Faculty Senate meetings. She said that most representatives were not in favor of

moving to the Minskoff Pavilion. She added that she would like to thank the Committee for their work, and that the search will continue for a new Faculty Senate meeting location. She noted that the current location at the International Center will be undergoing renovations.

Professor Moriarty reported that she received an email from the Co-Chair of the Strategic Planning Committee, and that he requested that he have an hour at the Faculty Senate to discuss Strategic Planning with the Faculty Senate, along with an hour to discuss DEI (Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion) at MSU. She noted that such a request would require an entire Faculty Senate meeting. She said that the better way to handle this two-hour discussion would be to hold an additional Faculty Senate meeting on March 31st, which is an open day on the Academic Calendar.

Professor Moriarty reported on the meeting that the At-Large members of the Steering Committee had with the President and the MSU Board of Trustees. She noted that one of the major subjects discussed was DEI sensitivity training, which will become a reality. She added that President Stanley is looking at having this training instituted in the Fall Semester of 2020, and it will involve all members of the University community. She stated President Stanley is in the process, with Paulette Granberry Russell and members of the Committee, of reviewing procedures for the hiring of the DEI individual.

Professor Moriarty reported that the other topic that was discussed at this meeting was the role of Executive Vice President, Dr. Norman Beauchamp, in Academic Governance, noting that it was very significant and that he was also involved in Academic Governance so that the Medical Schools at MSU are represented.

Professor Moriarty reported that Tyler Silvestri, the UCAG Chair, was asked to review the MSU Bylaws, and assemble all of the Bylaws language that include the Provost, adding that two MSU Provosts are also reviewing the MSU Bylaws, to see which Bylaws need to be changed in order to add the Executive Vice President of the Medical Schools.

Professor Moriarty reported that one of the main agenda items for the Steering Committee was the topic of the pilot Fall Break at MSU, scheduled for the upcoming academic year. She added that Dave Byelich will be discussing the MSU budget at the Faculty Senate meeting in March and will answer vetted questions about the MSU budget. Discussion ensued.

7. New Business

9.1. University Committee on Curriculum (UCC) Report, Dr. Marci Mechtel, UCC Chairperson, [Long Report](#) (click on link)

Dr. Mechtel provided the UCC report. She stated that the UCC met at the end of January of 2020 and approved the following: seven new Programs, including Graduate Certificate Programs in the College of Nursing, effective Fall Semester of 2020, including an Adult Gerontology Clinical Nurse Specialist; a Nurse Practitioner Adult Gerontology Primary

Care; a Nurse Practitioner Family; and a Nurse Practitioner Psychiatric Mental Health. Additionally, she noted, an Accelerated Science and Engineering Graduate Certificate was approved, effective Summer Semester of 2020; a Music Career Development Graduate Certificate was approved, effective Summer Semester of 2020 and a Physician's Assistant in Medicine, Master of Science, was approved effective 2021. She said that there were there were 10 Program changes and four Program deletions; the deletions include an English Elementary Disciplinary Teaching Minor, effective Fall Semester of 2019; a Design Specialization, effective Spring Semester of 202; a Global and Area Studies Social Science, Bachelor of Science, effective Summer Semester of 2019; and a Media Information, Bachelor of Science, effective Fall Semester of 2020. Dr. Mechtel said that regarding courses: there were 74 new courses approved; there were 52 course changes approved; and there were five course deletions were approved. She stated that regarding moratoriums, moratoriums were placed on the following programs: on a Mathematics, Master of Art for Teachers, effective Spring Semester of 2020 through Spring Semester of 2021; and on a Public Relations, Master of Arts, linked with Advertising Creative Public Relations, BA/MA, and linked to Advertising Management Public Relations, MS/MA, effective Spring Semester of 2020 through Spring Semester of 2023.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the UCC Report. **The motion carried.**

7.1. Slate of Nominees for Athletic Council, Endorsement, Tyler Silvestri, University Committee on Academic Governance (UCAG) Chairperson

Tyler Silvestri presented the Slate of Nominees of the MSU Athletic Council for endorsement.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Athletic Council Slate of Nominees. **The motion carried.**

7.2. Slate of Nominees for the At-Large to The Steering Committee, Endorsement, Tyler Silvestri, University Committee on Academic Governance (UCAG) Chairperson

Tyler presented the Slate of Nominees for the At-Large Steering Committee membership.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Slate of Nominees. **The motion carried.**

7.3. Office for Civil Rights (OCR) Report, Discussion, Dr. Stephanie Nawyn, Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, Co-Director of Academic Programs, Outreach, and Engagement, Center for Gender in Global Context (GenCen), Research Consortium on Gender-Based Violence

The Faculty Senate were requested to assemble into smaller groups, and then report their questions and comments to the entire Faculty Senate. Discussion ensued.

Comments included:

A request for the need to hold the people accountable who have failed MSU.

A request for accountability, and for a change in MSU's culture.

A request that MSU needs to be more proactive regarding OCR issues.

A request for a clear agenda of the kind of culture change MSU wants.

A request that the Provost will want to make changes, and that these changes be a priority for the Faculty Senate.

It was noted that the specific notes of this Faculty Senate meeting will be sent to its members for review and an email vote, which will then be shared widely with MSU faculty.

8. Comments from the floor

None

9. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn. **The motion carried.** 5:02 p.m.