

## Chicago State University Faculty Senate

### Meeting Minutes

Approved March 1, 2022

12:30-2 via Zoom

Present: Pat Steinhaus (President), Tekleab Gala (Vice-President), Sarah Buck (Recording Secretary), Gabrielle Toth (Corresponding Secretary), William Jason Raynovich, Chyrese Wolf, Deborah Harper Brown, Nadeem Fazal, Zafar Bokhari, Nancy Grim, Liefu Jiang, Byung-In Seo, Dan Hrozencik, Tonya Hall, Rae-Anne Montague, Valerie Goss, Gabriel Gomez, Mohammad Salahuddin, Joanna Kolendo, Ernst Coupet, Leslie Roundtree, Soo Kang, Rosalind Fielder, Karen Witherspoon, Asmamaw Yimer, Kristy Mardis, Austin Harton, Olanipekun Laosebikan, Judy Birgen

#### A. Call to order

12:30

#### B. Approval of the agenda

1. Raynovich moved to approve amended agenda (Research Committee withdrawn, UPC [Gomez] added, Bokhari seconded > motion carried unanimously
2. Raynovich moved to suspend the 15 day rule of Article IX of the Constitution for March 1st, 2022 (“Proposed amendments shall be presented in writing to the members of the Senate at least one week in advance of a regularly scheduled meeting or at least two (2) weeks in advance of a special meeting during the academic year”), Hall seconded > motion carried unanimously.

#### C. Approval of February Minutes

1. Raynovich moved to approve minutes, Hall seconded > motion carried with one abstention

#### D. Report from Provost Roundtree

1. HLC visit Feb 2023: campus discussions will be had. Use templates for syllabi and CV. Former CSU faculty member Jerald Henderson doing review of CSU documents in preparation for visit
2. Market analysis to be performed by outside group around portfolio of programs and employment issues
3. Masks remain required. Task force continuing to monitor
4. UNCF Project (survey) looking at Cougar Commitment. Asking faculty to give input on student success strategies
5. Retention rates up this year. Undergrad at 59%; grad at 70%
6. Registration being moved earlier in April

#### E. Standing Committee Reports

- 1) Executive Committee

- a. Worked with ROC and SG committees to review and discuss revisions to the bylaws and constitution that were made by the ad-hoc committees.
  - b. Worked with ROC to address procedures around selection to UPC, Honorary Degree Committee, amongst others
  - c. Nomination of officers for Faculty Senate will occur at April FS meeting; voting will occur in May
- 2) Library Committee Proposed Action
- a. Proposes that J. Kolendo, who is currently not a Senator, to remain the Chair for the current AY. A sitting Senator will be elected for AY 2022-2023, Raynovich seconded with a friendly amendment that states the committee welcomes all faculty to be a part of the committee (not just Senators) > motion carried unanimously
- 3) Rules and Operations Committee Proposed Action
- a. Holding FS elections missing for this year as well as for those positions ending spring 2022
  - b. Reminder: at Feb 1 FS meeting, it was agreed the ROC and SG would go through bylaws and constitution revisions
  - c. Raynovich moves the following: the Rules and Operations Committee and Shared Governance Committee completed a final review of the recommendations of the ad hoc committee on the Constitution and Bylaws created October 2022 and revised the governing document where rules, operations, or shared governance issues were identified. The Faculty Senate ratifies, through the Rules and Operations Committee, in coordination with the Shared Governance Committee, the constitution and bylaws documents (attached by the Executive Committee) of the Faculty Senate submitted to the body on February 22, 2022. If adopted, this action requires ratification by the Unit A faculty ( $\frac{2}{3}$  approval) within 30 days, Grim seconded > (ballot sent to CSU emails to Senators during meeting. Vote was completed during the meeting) motion carried unanimously
  - d. Ballot will now be sent through Qualtrics to Unit A faculty
  - e. If approved in letter d, Executive Committee must send to administration and BOT
  - f. Raynovich reviewed vacancies on various university committees, such as APERC, UPC. Nominations would be held in April, voted on in May. A person can run for multiple positions
- 4) Shared Governance Committee Report
- a. No report

## F. Old Business

- 1. NA

## G. New Business

- 1) Ad Hoc Research Committee- withdrawn from agenda prior to meeting by Laosebikan
  - a. Wolf reviewed activities of the committee, including committee goals and requests of the committee
  - b. Meetings are first Wed of each month 12:30-2
  - c. Note that Ad Hoc committees have two years before a decision must be made about whether or not it should be a standing committee

2) Kristy Mardis/Campus Safety

- a. There is no longer a safety officer at CSU. Michael Holmes currently acting as safety officer.
- b. Mardis moved the following: The faculty senate shall create an ad hoc safety committee to evaluate the status of research safety and compliance on campus and make recommendations in a report to the faculty senate. The faculty senate can then make these recommendations to the administration. This committee would include as many faculty volunteers as possible with representatives from STEM, Art & Design, and Health Sciences; Bokhari seconded > motion carried unanimously

3) Report from IBHE Representative Daniel Hrozencik

- a. IBHE created a new strategic plan last year. Working now to create committees to implement plan.
- b. Most meetings recently have related to Covid (shared governance, research, tenure)
- c. Are several working groups, including institutional closure, student debt and affordability, dual credit, performance based funding
- d. Need to elect an IBHE rep for AY 2022; Hrozencik self-nominated

4) Report from UPI

- a. Bargaining team meets weekly
- b. March 24 next meeting
- c. Office located in SCI 230

5) UPC

- a. Gomez read a statement regarding collegiality at CSU

6) Senator Comments/Speeches

- a. Discussion was had regarding mold in buildings on campus

7) Adjournment

1:53



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