

Chicago State University Faculty Senate

Meeting Minutes

May 4, 2021

12:30-2:00 via Zoom

Present: Patricia Steinhaus (Senate President), Valerie Goss (Senate Vice-President), Sarah Buck (Recording Secretary), Gabrielle Toth (Corresponding Secretary), Leslie Roundtree (Provost), Nadeem Fazal, Paul Pearson, Rosalind Fielder, Rupa Potti, William Jason Raynovich, Yashika Watkins, John Chern, Eddy Gaytan, Hafeez Faridi, Jubilee Dickson, Byung-In Seo, Soo Kang, Ahmed Abu Fayyad, Joanna Kolendo, Asmamaw Yimer, Chyrese Wolf, Gayle Porter, Mohammad Salahuddin, Rae-Anne Montague, Tonya Hall, Deborah Lynch, Kristy Mardis, Alesia Richardson, Vincent Osaghae, Michael McNicholas, Karel Jacobs, N. Yakubu Ubangiji, Olanipekun Laosebikan,

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| A. Call to order | 12:32 |
| B. Approval of April Minutes | 12:30-12:35 |
| a. Kang moved to approve minutes, Gaytan seconded > Motion carries with 14 yes, 1 no, 2 abstain | |
| C. Report from Vice President of Enrollment Management | 12:35-12:45 |
| a. NA | |
| D. Provost's Report to the Faculty Senate | 12:45-1:05 |
| a. Filmed all parts of commencement and is being put together for production | |
| b. Afternoon of graduation, students allowed to come to campus to take pictures and pick up a gift (donated books by the speaker) and other miscellaneous items (all outside) | |
| c. Course adjustments re: Gen Ed: department Chairs should be handling this for graduating seniors. | |
| d. Received a grant for training to move advising to a coaching model. Will be rolled out in the fall for all faculty advisers. Survey to be sent regarding training plan | |
| e. Dr. Eggleston-Williams (IER) has left. Direct questions to Nate Sanders or James Stout. | |
| f. Program cost concerns will be addressed at beginning of fall semester | |
| g. Fall operating plan has been disseminated | |
| h. Will send a response regarding the CTRE Board brought forth by Kang | |
| i. Office is looking at how to market CSU similar to HBCU's; HBCU's are "#1 competitor". Concern over IL high schools promoting leaving the state for college | |
| E. Old Business | 1:05-1:08 |
| a. NA | |
| F. Standing Committee Reports | |
| 1) Executive Committee Report/Announcements | 1:08-1:12 |

- a. Written summary was submitted via email with other Senate documents for this meeting
- 2) Academic Affairs Committee- Buck 1:12-1:16
 - a. Buck provided a summary of the committee's agenda items for the year, including recommendations on spring break, course cuts, and fall operating plan
 - 3) Board of Athletic Advisors - McNicholas 1:16-1:20
 - a. Pushing the agenda for Gender Equity
 - b. Jubilee Dickson is new Chair; J. Henderson is Secretary
 - c. Will be working over summer
 - 4) Buildings and Grounds Committee - Porter 1:20-1:24
 - a. Money from State coming for campus upgrades
 - b. Worked to re-establish Tree Campus: hosted a hickory tree planting event on Arbor Day in honor of retiring faculty member, Robert Szyman
 - 5) University Curriculum Coordinating Committee- Mardis 1:24-1:29
 - a. Document placed in Shared Drive
 - b. All programs should have updated their Gen Ed courses (at the beginning of this AY)
 - c. > 24 new courses added (new or changes re: online/hybrid)
 - d. Must indicate how much of your program is currently online if you are proposing more courses online
 - 6) Library Committee- Kolendo 1:29-1:33
 - a. Goal to make CSU community aware of the library resources available
 - b. Had presentations from librarians: Open Education Resources (recorded April 20) and "The Library and Librarians Role in Student Success" (recorded April 27). Presentations are available online
 - c. Will be discussing bylaws and electing officers at May meeting
 - 7) Rules and Operations Committee- Raynovich 1:33-1:44
 - a. Annual report was submitted

Upcoming Senate Officer Elections

 - a. All should have received a link in their CSU email for these open positions. Tabulations will be done before the end of this meeting
 - b. Sarah Buck re-elected as Recording Secretary (17 yes, 1 abstain)
 - c. Gabrielle re-elected as Corresponding Secretary (17 yes, 1 abstain)
 - d. Kristy Mardis and William Jason Raynovich were elected to ROC
 - e. Rosalind Fielder will send .pdf results to Buck

Committee Nominations

Submitted proposals

 - f. Raynovich moved the proposal regarding "resetting business of the Shared Governance Committee prior to the end the Spring 2021 by electing a Chair and a Secretary, and adopting business in good order", McNicholas seconded > motion carries with 17 yes, 2 no, and 4 abstain
 - g. Raynovich moved the proposal: "Until the Faculty Senate approves engagement with a legal consultant and the new Board of Trustees legal documents are approved, no Faculty Senate Committee should meet further

with the university hired consultants regarding the Faculty Senate Constitution and Bylaws”

- a. Steinhaus provided background and context to this proposal.
- b. It should be noted that the consultant did not help with BOT documents.
- c. Concern was raised about using an outside consultant (e.g., using an outside person rather than us, paying a consultant while university is in debt).
- d. FS Bylaws are out of order with BOT policies and procedures
- e. He is on retainer for the university as part of a legal firm. His expertise was offered as a tool to help us
- f. Concern over a lack of process
- g. Motion carries with 13 yes, 4 no, 3 abstain

8) Shared Governance Committee- Hall 1:44-1:48

- a. Established approved by-laws
- b. Shared Governance document being forwarded to Senators before the university as a whole. Please review. Vote will be taken in fall
- c. Need to elect new Chair and Secretary

9) Technology Committee- Kang 1:48-1:52

- a. Kang provided annual summary, including hiring faculty to help with Moodle support, committee participated in demonstrations of new technology, mail transition will occur in the summer, asked to be part of process for upgrading classrooms.
- b. Recommends going through online training even if you are not scheduled to teach remotely. There is also outside training by ION occurring in the early summer.

G. Ad Hoc Research Committee Report- Dickson 1:52-1:55

- a. Link to report: <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1-DpDkXv8K5b7MEA9w6DrMcSVpU9GHar8Q5YrZvu6zBg/edit?usp=sharing>
- b. 62 responses
- c. Faculty do not feel adequately supported in research activities, do not feel they have enough time, feel more supported by the departments than by university
- d. Interest in research collaboration across campus
- e. Most commonly written need is help with grant writing
- f. Current labs and resources are inadequate
- g. Most respondents have not received CSU grants. Many reported not knowing how to get them

H. Report from UPI- Goss 1:55-1:58

- a. Should have received email with new UPI representatives
- b. Complete the survey regarding the fall to help with UPI MOU for fall planning/opening

I. New Business/Senator Speeches 1:58-2:00

- a. Steinhaus moved to continue meeting with the consultant regarding the FS by-laws, Hall seconded
 - i. Quorum has been lost. Motion tabled.

