

Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes

Monday, November 25, 2019

3:30 - 5:00 pm, Clinton Hall Room 126

Senators Present: Ahmed, Bailey, Billingham, Bowen, Buerge, Carlson, Castro, Celestin, Decker, Dowling, Figy, Flynn, Harrison, Hill, Hull, Jarman, Jeffres, Lee, Marble-Flint, Mirasol, Moody, Muthitacharoen, Myose, Price, Pulaski, Ross, Schwartz, Smith-Campbell, Solomey, Storrer, Sylvester, Weheba, Zewde

Absent: Bray, Core, English, Hakansson, Kalomo, Ma, Millar, Navarro, Newman, Small, Tamtam, Yildirim

Excused: Barut, Bukonda, Clawson, Granada, Hammond, Lockard, Markova, Mozzani, Nicks, Popejoy, Sternfeld-Dunn

<u>Agenda Item</u>	<u>Process / External Link</u>	<u>Notes and Outcome/Action/Completed</u>
Call to order		
Approval of minutes United Way Presentation	October 28, 2019 minutes	Moved & seconded, approved unanimously

-6pm

(substituting for VP Shaw)

Out of this, \$6 will go to department & \$4 will go to OAT program to fund future proposals
OAT designation will continue until it is removed by the department for the course / section
Lifelong learning courses cannot be designated with an OAT [for funding]

- Proposals to create new OAT material may be awarded \$2k to \$5k grant to author(s)
Committee will determine whether to fund a proposal at low end or high-end dollar value
Deadline to apply this time is February for Fall 2020 designation, but normal deadlines will be 30 May for following spring and 30 October for following fall semester
- Question – who owns the copyright? Response: Don't have an answer to this but will follow-up by asking Vice President Shaw.
- Question – does this help in terms of being considered a publication? Response – OER is not of the form of a formal publication; however, the grant should not affect the copyright [ed. assuming the individual goes through the effort of copyrighting his/her material], funding is different from copyright.
- Question – how will this help to bring “prestige” and help in T&P? [No response]
- Question – has there been an evaluation in terms of pay given for popular textbook vs. \$5k? [No response]
- Question – how many students would benefit and how much work would faculty have to invest to create the material? Response given was that this [OER program] is modeled like the Tilford Diversity grant program.
- Question – are folks eligible for grant? [No response]

Sciences Initiative

President would like to consider at least the following three areas

1. Health disparities and health delivery
 2. Digital transformation (e.g., artificial intelligence)
 3. Open – for faculty to identify
- Solution will involve converged line of inquiry by cluster of faculty attached to specific problems that need to be solved – problems that are societal issues with funding opportunities
Would like three clusters started by next fall
 - Two issues to be determined: (1) what will be the third theme & (2) create a call for proposals
Proposal framework to be done by spring
Climate change and neurosciences have been suggested as possibilities for the third area
 - Question – will it affect current faculty appointments or future appointments?
Faculty T&P / department of current faculty will stay the same while new faculty appointment is open to question
 - Question – will there be a repository where ideas can be sent? Response – send them to Senate President Jarman; also can give feedback during upcoming President's breakfast

As May Arise

None

Adjournment

4:43 pm