

Faculty Senate April 6, 2018

Minutes: no corrections. Motion was made to accept and passed.

Ambrose comments:

One more regular meeting, it will be for committee assignments.

May 3 meeting: time may need to be adjusted depending on college elections, etc. (This will be the meeting for election of incoming senate officers).

Meeting with Provost: X-drop integrity issue should be settled; on the instructor promotion proposal: no progress.

Had no meeting with president, will meet with him next week.

Blake Decker canceled meeting, has about 5/6 of the colleges' data. Will meet with us next time.

Reminder that the online administrator evaluations close next Tuesday.

Old Business:

IT committee: Babb: if you have specialized computer needs, J. Webb is amenable to group for specialized computer needs. Craig, Babb expressed interest.

Discussion: questions on Duo: why is it being applied everywhere? Lane Green has said everywhere, eventually but smart classrooms will still require Duo for sites that have student data, etc.

Motion: Babb moved to close the committee on IT issues. Meredith seconded, motion passed.

Merit Raise committee: Has no info yet.

Reminder to do evaluation of administrators, and they are available on wtaccess.

Tenure and Promotion: Meredith moves that we have more time for evaluation on T&P language and make a decision next meeting. Meljac seconded. Motion passed.

X-drop issues: There is a registrar issue that it is too hard to place a hold a single class, faculty will have to submit an XF at end of term in case of violation (handout).

deButte: Move to accept the proposed changes in the handbook on the X-drop procedure. Meredith seconded; Motion passed (handout).

Alumni Evaluations: (Communicated by Ambrose from Hampton) Cost for each faculty: 300 mailings, email addresses change, etc. Cost for each mailing: \$250 per faculty,

Ingrassia: if they know email addresses are bad, why not physical addresses? Out of 300 rare to get 10% back. Ambrose talked to Mallard: deans not using them. \$7000-9000 each time it is done. Hindman: who pays? Ambrose: not sure. Pinkham: would like to think its worth \$250 to look at me. Babb: ask Decker: accreditations expect surveys of constituency. We need to reach our alumni; this is a systemic problem. Hindman: Alumni Association sends out a survey and a 10% return is normal.

Craig: Move to continue alumni evaluations and charge institutional research to

seek more effective survey measures. Ingrassia seconded. Motion passed.

Magister Optimus: (Some nominations were made and recorded, they are not printed here to maintain the secrecy of the award.)

Will vote on Magister Optimus next time.

Regents professor is by application: <link in Agenda handout> Full professors are eligible.

University committees: contact faculty in college and find out eligibility for next meeting. Craig: for ANS, Meredith business, etc. (various people were assigned and reminded.) Be sure to get enough nominees for the college-specific committees. Anyone can nominate in any college.

New Business: Send email ASAP to Ambrose for those interested in being senate officers. President must have been on senate one year and be tenured, that is only the requirement.

Need to send times to Ambrose for college meetings to have elections for senators.

Ambrose: Will leave for Hindman to continue meeting on whether Ambrose will be eligible to be senator again.

Hindman: Presented resolution from Texas Council of Faculty Senates for DACA. (handout). There was some discussion.

On Ambrose continuing as senator: Several senators pointed out that as of last fall: Handbook rules are effective (as in Art III sec. 2)

Meljac: Motion that we adhere to the constitution Art III sec. 2. on the matter of term limits for faculty senators. Seconded by King. Motion passed.

Li: Motion to table the resolution on DACA. Clifton seconded. Motion passed with 1 opposed, 2 abstentions.

Adjourned

Respectfully submitted,

David Craig, Secretary.