Faculty Senate Meeting Agenda

August 17, 2017

3:30 Meeting of the Faculty Senate – Call to Order
3:33 Approval of the Minutes from the May, 2017 Meeting
3:35 Report of the Faculty Chair (Sally Moomaw)
3:50 Old Business
3:55 New Business
   ▪ Confirmation of Senate Committee Chairs, Vice Chair
   ▪ Ohio Faculty Council Representative and Alternate
   ▪ Fall Election
   ▪ Update on Provostal Search Committee (Rich Miller)
   ▪ Other

4:15 Report of the AAUP President (Ron Jones)
4:25 Report of the Undergraduate Student Government Association (Bashir Emlemdi)
4:35 Report of the Graduate Student Government Association (Arunkumar Muthusamy)
4:45 Adjourn
3:30PM the May 11th, 2017 meeting of the Faculty Senate was called to order.

1. Approval of the minutes: The minutes of the April 13th Faculty Senate meetings were approved.

2. Report from the Faculty Chair, Sally Moomaw:
   - Chair Moomaw submitted her report electronically prior to the meeting and can be found in its entirety on the Faculty Senate website
   - Chair Moomaw thanked the FS for all their hard work throughout the academic year
   - Provost search committee has convened
     - National search
     - Identified finalists will be brought to campus for formal interviews
   - August 17th will be our next official meeting and boot camp
     - Information will be posted on the FS website and mailed to Senators
     - Pat Kowalski will be in attendance to discuss university finances

3. Report from the President, Neville Pinto:
   - Thank you and congratulations to all faculty for their efforts in graduating over 6,000 students at the spring commencement
   - Provost search committee has been charged with the search
     - Most important search at the university
     - Did not hire a search firm
       - Human Resources will provide services and support function
       - Remains a rigorous and competitive search
     - Faculty input will be garnered in the final selection
   - New Dean appointees
     - Robin Lightener appointed as Dean at Blue Ash
     - Appointed as the Interim Dean at Law
   - Dean departures
     - Teik Lim, Dean of Engineering and Applied Sciences is the new provost of Texas Arlington
     - Cady Short Thomson Dean of Blue Ash is the new provost at Hope College
     - Signs that our faculty and leadership are coveted across the country
   - President Pinto has continued his “listening” tour of various colleges and departments
     - Goal for the fall to begin to establish our direction to move forward and implement
   - Information regarding visits to Columbus and the State Legislature
     - State share of instruction (SSI), is significantly down
       - Possibility of SSI being reduced for next year
     - How do we keep tuition costs down
       - Studying the option of tuition is one price that includes everything
     - Textbook cost legislation has gone away
       - We will continue our efforts to keep costs down

4. Report from the Interim Provost, Peter Landgren:
   - In the process of a listening tour across colleges and departments
   - Will move forward with faculty input in hiring a new Dean in Engineering & Applied Sciences
   - Information regarding visits to Columbus and the State Legislature
     - Alumni advocacy
     - Tenure issues are being addressed
       - Successful in defending the right for us to retain Tenure
       - Legislation is still interested in a post-tenure review
     - Legislation desires a commercialization of RPT
       - Continue to defend how we are unique and not all RPT guidelines can be canned
• Continue to work with publishers and other universities to keep costs contained

• Enrollment continues to be very high
  o ACT’s have risen half a point
  o Turner scholarship students are rising
  o Diversity numbers are up
  o Up 650 students from last year

5. Old Business
• No report

6. New Business
• Resolution to Support Recommendations for Syllabi (Addendum A)
  o Motion to approve
    ▪ Motion accepted
• Resolution Regarding the Inclusion of the E-Learning Champions Award in the Annual Faculty Awards Ceremony (Addendum B)
  o Motion to approve
    ▪ Motion accepted
• Motion to cancel the June and July Faculty Senate meetings
  o Motion to approve
    ▪ Motion accepted

7. Report from LEAF, Valerie Hardcastle:
• Climate survey was distributed in the fall
  o Underrepresented faculty and female faculty view the university differently than do white male faculty
  o A definite disconnect between URM and Female faculty and White Male faculty
• Detailed study

8. Report from EIT Accessibility, Heidi Pettyjohn:
• Audit in 2014 to determine accessibility to individuals with disabilities
  o Found non-compliant
• Required to assure all coursework information on the web is available to all persons with disabilities
• Focus has been on website to date
  o Course content will be addressed next
  o Goal to reduce turnaround time so students have material in appropriate time
  o Universal design going forward
• Accessibility faculty resources

9. Report from Survey about Guns on Campus, David Curry:
• Controversial subject conducted by Graduate students
• Very represented response from faculty
  o Faculty represent / reflect the population as a whole
• 80% + disagree with expanding the current policy to allow more gun access on campus
• 40% + of all faculty would consider looking elsewhere for employment if current policy were expanded
  o Considerably higher for younger faculty
• Detailed study

10. Report from Part-time Faculty Survey, Dana Griffith:
• 66% of adjunct faculty have had no pay increase during their tenure
• 58% have never been evaluated
• 70% were not aware of opportunity to be promoted
• 66% have not been provided information regarding benefits and services
• Request for a FS task force beginning in fall of 2017 to address these issues
11. Report from the Undergraduate Student Government, Dana Drage
   • Focus on state issues this coming year
   • Addressing sexual misconduct policy with administration
   • Kosher options for dining halls

12. Report from the Graduate Student Government, Arunkumar Muthusamy
   • Serving on provost search committee
     ○ Soliciting advice and input

13. Adjournment
   • Motion to adjourn accepted 5:36

Respectfully submitted,
Daniel L. Carl, PhD, Secretary

ADDENDUM A

Resolution to Support Recommendations for Syllabi
Rationale: There have been policy changes that impact items recommended for syllabi.

Whereas the Faculty Senate has endorsed previous resolutions in support of Faculty Senate Syllabus Recommendations; and

Whereas there have been new items to add to the document on Faculty Syllabus Recommendations resulting in an updated document on April 30 of 2017;

Therefore, this resolution affirms support of the updated document on Faculty Syllabus Recommendations dated April 30 of 2017.
ADDENDUM B

RESOLUTION REGARDING THE INCLUSION OF THE eLEARNING CHAMPIONS AWARD IN THE ANNUAL FACULTY AWARDS CEREMONY

Whereas the University of Cincinnati has a strong interest in supporting faculty in the effective and innovative use of instructional technologies and;

Whereas the Center for Excellence in eLearning offers an award to honor a team of faculty which has used technology tools in innovative and effective ways to enhance teaching and to improve student learning (referred to as the eLearning Champion Annual Award, with details attached) and;

Whereas according to the University Faculty Charge for the Human Relations Committee it is a purpose of the committee to administer award selection processes and faculty recognition;

Therefore be it resolved that the faculty senate of the University of Cincinnati recommends to the President of the University that the eLearning Champion Annual Award is added to the annual Faculty Awards Celebration.
Confirmation of Cabinet Positions

Vice Chair – John McNay  
Chair, Academic Affairs Committee – Tamika Odum  
Chair, Budget & Priorities Committee – James Canfield  
Chair, Governance Committee – Bruce Davis  
Chair, Human Relations Committee – Carol Wheeler-Strothers  
Chair, Information Technology Committee – Victoria Wangia-Anderson  
Chair, Planning Committee – Melanie Kroger-Jarvis  
Chair, Research & Scholarship Committee – Richard Miller  
Faculty Chair Appointee – Dana Griffith

Confirmation of Ohio Faculty Council Representations

Representative - Sally Moomaw  
Representative – Cynthia Nitz Ris  
Alternate – John McNay