3:30PM the January 14, 2016 meeting of the Faculty Senate at Clermont College was called to order.

1. Approval of the minutes: The minutes of the November 12th, 2015 Faculty Senate meeting were approved.

2. Report from the Faculty Chair, Tracy Herrmann:
   - Thank you to Clermont College for welcoming us to campus
   - Chair Herrmann’s report is provided in writing on the Faculty Senate website
   - The all faculty meeting scheduled for Tuesday April 5th in the Great Hall at TUC is set from 12-1:30
     - President Ono’s State of Union address is scheduled
   - Please share date of April 19th from 3-5pm for the Faculty Awards ceremony to be held in the Great Hall at TUC
   - There is an ongoing initiative to enhance diversity with a desire to be inclusive
     - Students and staff from a wide array of faculty across colleges are being selected to participate in the initiative
   - Need to establish the nominating committee
     - Rebecca Leugers, Chair
     - First year senators serve as automatic members

3. Report from the President, Santa Ono:
   - Thank you for the opportunity and thank you to Dean Bauer for hosting
   - National Search for VP Research
     - Robust pool of applicants, committee recommended 3 finalists
     - Patrick Limbach from UC Arts & Sciences was selected
     - A previous chair of the Chemistry Association, Dean of Research in AS, Esteemed scholar, Ohio eminent scholar, great teacher, team player
   - Arts Wave campaign to be launched at UC – Feb 1st
   - New initiative in collaboration with the Cincinnati Youth Collaboration
     - Need for 1 on 1 mentors for at risk students
     - 400 first generation Cincinnati Public School students are anticipated to participate
     - A combination of face to face meetings and through various platform media
     - Program will launch this summer
     - Contact his office with a desire to help
   - University of Bordeaux
     - Part of the plan for globalization
     - Many scholarly matches including engineering
     - Partnered with only 10 Universities across globe
     - Contact President Ono directly and he will assist in making contacts as appropriate
   - Investment in the academic core of University
     - Cluster hiring
     - Desire to invest more on a year to year basis
     - Currently getting back to where we should be
     - Optimistic that we will work to get ahead
   - Diversity and Inclusion efforts
     - Proud of the role that students and faculty have played
     - There is a lot of tension in higher education across country
     - Desire to be at forefront of change
     - Irrate 8 amazing students
       - What they are asking for is entirely appropriate
     - Tom Canape overseeing diversity committee and recruitment of minority students
     - Provost is actively looking at funding for students
     - This will be a priority of the upcoming capital campaign
• Faculty diversity is being looked at as part of the 3rd century plan
  o Cluster hire in Urban Futures
• Space requests
  o Architect McGrew will follow up with recommendation on renovations of current space of the AACRC
  o Request for more program support - Deb Merchant and Bluezette Marshall are heading up the committee
    ▪ Prioritize and suggest future direction and funding
• Tracy Herrmann has been requested to head up a search for faculty look at a diversity curriculum
  o Current status is securing appropriate faculty
  o Many faculty have already stepped forward
• Open for Q & A
• “Funds are less for faculty hires than expected….”
  o I’m aware of it, funds are there just need to look into where they are
• “University of Bordeaux, What are the opportunities?”
  o France investing – look at who you may be able to interact with, be creative

4. Welcome from Clermont Dean Jeff Bauer

5. Faculty Senate Standing Committee Reports:
• Planning Committee
  o Conceal carry discussion
  o Margaret Cheatham reported that HB 48 does not allow open carry on campus, HB 48 allows the BOT to allow for open carry on campus,
  o Purpose is to request solicitation of feedback with a desire to put a motion forward at the next FS meeting
  o Discussion comments from the floor
    ▪ Ohio Legislature pushes the decision off to campuses so that they are not responsible
    ▪ Campus police not supportive
    ▪ UC East can feel isolated and open
    ▪ Could there be stations where locked access for only trained individuals can access in case of an emergency
    ▪ UC East students out here are more compelled to carry
    ▪ There is no proof that it is not safer
    ▪ Concern over the availability of guns being more accessible in dorms for individuals who may be situationally mentally challenged or stressed
• Committee
• Integrated decision making
  o Gowribalan Vamadeva reported that there is concern over a lack of student representation and that there is no faculty representation on the University Budget Committee

6. Old Business:
  ▪ No report

7. New Business:
  ▪ B Smith unable to attend due to illness
  ▪ No additional new business

8. Report from the Undergraduate Student Government Association, Andrew Naab:
  ▪ No report

9. Report from the Graduate Student Government Association, Ayça Mazman:
  ▪ GSGA passed resolution against HB 48
    o 2 abstentions, zero votes against
    o Concern raised over TA’s in classrooms with sensitive topics such as abortion
• GSGA research fellowship
  - 10 students received assistance with 30K total being distributed
• GSGA awards
  - Desire to have and excellence and initiative in teaching to go along with research

10. Report from the AAUP President, Greg Loving:
• New contract bargaining begins Tuesday February 2nd
  - This is 1 month ahead of contract with pre talks having gone well
  - BOT has not hired outside consultation this time
  - Greg put forth a request for faculty support at next board meeting
  - In general:
    - Core Faculty needs to be supported
    - Basic investment, cluster hires are great but we still are under market as a whole

11. Adjournment
• Motion to adjourn accepted 4:50

Respectfully submitted,
Daniel L. Carl, PhD, Secretary
4:50