Minutes of the Faculty Senate Meeting, held April 10th, 2014.

This meeting was held following the State of the University Address, given by President Ono, and the Spring All-University Faculty meeting.

1. Call to Order by the faculty Chair (AL) 4.05pm.

2. Approval of the March 19th Minutes.

   MH proposed; CM Seconded. Approved unanimously.

3. Chair’s report. Deferred, due to being given at the AUF meeting preceding this one. The report will be posted on the Faculty Senate website.

4. President’s report. Deferred due to the preceding AUF and Stae of the University Address given at 4 pm and 2.30pm this afternoon.

5. Reports of the Senate Standing committees. These reports will be posted on the Faculty Senate Website.

   a. Committee on Committees (MH).

      The current roster of nominations for the Faculty Senate committee elections was presented, and nominations from the floor were taken. The full roster, including today’s nominees, will be sent out by email to the faculty in the next week. MH asked if there were any other nominations, RL proposed closing nominations, seconded by PS, approved unanimously.

      MH proposed a motion to begin election electronically from April 17th to 24th (All-University committees) and 14th-16th (Faculty Senate committees) which was a slightly emended schedule. The motion was approved unanimously. The emended schedule was forwarded by RL, and seconded by CG: approved unanimously.

      At this point, AL introduced the incoming president of the Undergraduate Student Governance Association, Christina Beer. She said a few words about taking on Joe Blizzard’s legacy and we welcomed her.

   b. Budget and Priorities Committee

      Motion: The FSBPC moves that their Report and Recommendations concerning University Budget Priorities be accepted by the Faculty Senate. Further the Committee recommends that the Senate urge distribution of the report to Robert Ambach, Sr. VP of Administration and Finance and to Beverly Davenport, Sr. VP of Academic Affairs and Provost. The motion was opened to the floor for comment and questions.

      CCH (CEAS) proposed a motion to amend by striking out Table 1 of the original motion, based on the numbers in the table being estimates, not actual budget numbers. Seconded: PS.
Discussion: CG (A&S) asked what is wrong with including estimates in such a document?
CCH responded that Bob Ambach has pledged to provide “real” numbers based on accurate data.

AL explained the timing issue; if we sent the report now, it will get to BA and BD BEFORE the budget is set. If we wait for new numbers they will not see it before the budget is set.

There was no further discussion and the motion to strike Table 1 was approved unanimously.

6. Announcements: Faculty Awards on April 17, Faculty Senate May 15: Agenda will include 2-3 actions items from FSAAC and FSPC.

7. Recap and Adjournment

Motion to adjourn: MH Second: PS. Meeting adjourned at 4.55 pm.