

Faculty Senate Meeting
Tuesday, January 30, 2018
3:00-4:30 p.m.
Griggs Center
Approved 2/13/18

Attendees: Molly Harney, Rebecca de Souza, Joseph Bauerkemper, Roger Reinsch, Richard Maclin, Jamie Ratliff, Dan Glisczinski, Bob Feyen, Carlos Carranza-Torres, Rudy Perrault, EVCAA Fernando Delgado

Excused: Amy Versnik Nowak, Daniel Hsiao, Paula Gudmundson, Jenna Soleo Shanks

The chair called the meeting to order 3:00 p.m.

The January 16, 2018, meeting minutes were approved with revisions.

Subcommittee Reports

Research Scholarship & Creative Activities – Carlos Carranza–Torres

The last meeting was January 22, 2018. A representative from the University Marketing & Public Relations department was invited to attend and discuss the format of the UMD research website. There was continued discussion about the training to be held in Washington D.C.

Graduate Programs Committee – Bob Feyen

The Graduate Programs Committee met January 19. The GPC approved a change to the MSW program curriculum and related courses to add online components and remove a separate capstone portfolio requirement and integrate the portfolio requirements into a subset of courses in the curriculum. This better reflects the Plan C structure of the program, aligns better with the UMTC MSW program and is expected to facilitate a higher and more timely graduation rate as the separate portfolio was often done by students at off-campus sites after completion of their required on-campus coursework.

The UMD Grad School is once again offering limited funds for student recruitment through the GCTF (TA positions available through the Grad School), GSSF (summer "bridge" support) and the new Summer Diversity (DSF) programs. Contact the Grad Office or your program DGS for more details.

GPC was also informed of a new system policy regarding credits earned outside of a specific degree program and their application to that degree program. The policy is expected to have little impact on UMD programs as most are already more stringent than the new policy. However, all grad programs are encouraged to verify that they meet the system policy and have their policy regarding use of credits earned outside and/or prior to the program documented in the course catalog and any program documentation.

GPC members were also reminded that all grad student assistantships must start and end work consistent with the University calendar in order to receive full benefits; there can be significant financial aid and insurance implications for late starts or early terminations. Also, there has been some confusion on who pays when a GTA leaves campus for a week or less to attend a research-related function...this should not affect their GTA pay if proper arrangements are made to cover their assignment and adviser research grants should not be billed for the time.

The final revision to the Appointments to Graduate Faculty policy was presented to GPC. The change of note is that all graduate faculty are to be reviewed to continuation of their appointment once every 4 years and the review date should be posted on the Grad Education Faculty Roles list.

Liberal Education Subcommittee – Jamie Ratliff, Chair

A quorum was not present at the last meeting. The members had a general discussion about liberal education business. The chair provided an annual report on liberal education that will be also shared at the spring Faculty Assembly meeting.

Curriculum Subcommittee – Dan Glisinski, Chair

The Curriculum Subcommittee of Faculty Senate met on January 22 to study the Assessment Committee's recommendations for revising course proposal and program proposal forms. Recommendations include defining measurable outcomes, providing high quality examples of such outcomes, defining high quality assessment examples, clarifying student learner outcomes, liberal education program outcomes (when applicable), and communicating assessment activities, weights, times, sequences and such for each new course or proposal. Similarly, recommendations include identifying how such outcomes in each course proposal map to associated programs. Discussion included consideration of whether syllabi should accompany such proposals.

Information Sharing

UEA - Rudy Perrault, President

UEA representatives have resumed biweekly meetings with the EVCAA Fernando Delgado. Rudy reported a meeting is scheduled at the Crookston campus on Friday (2/8/18) and those attending from UMD will attend the political conference in Bemidji, MN. Rudy met with Chris Coleman (gubernatorial candidate) and talked about issues concerning UMD, its budget, and how can he assist UMD. Working with Student Association to plan the March 1 Bulldog Day. Rudy is checking in with fall members to schedule faculty legislative meetings in the cities.

University Coordinating Council - Molly Harney, Chair

The last meeting was January 26, 2018. The members stated interest with supporting chairs and vice chairs in terms of developing parliamentary skills. Orientation and trainings will continue in the fall.

Chancellor's Leadership Council – Molly Harney

The last meeting was January 22, 2018. The members discussed the employee engagement survey results via video conferencing with Rosie Berry (Twin Cities). Homecoming is scheduled for October 13 and Family Day is October 20. Lynne Williams indicated University Marketing & Public Relations is looking for stories about students and their success, diversity or community activity. Lynne also discussed UMD branding (how we identify. Lynne is a member of a system committee looking at all campus identities and will continue to support our autonomy. EVCAA Fernando Delgado stated we have a common brand and nomenclature, but our stake in the system is comparatively different.

Please be aware the engagement survey data will be shared at the college leadership level. The deans are encouraged to share this information with department heads and others (similar to the cascading effect). Some areas on campus use the data, but it is more difficult with academic data.

Work groups

Communications Workgroup has a meeting scheduled on February 14, 2018, with Lynne Williams to discuss the Faculty Senate website and brainstorm ideas to broaden communication.

Governance Workgroup discussed creating an amendment to the amending procedure. The chair voiced a reminder that the UCC agreed the Constitution and Bylaw document will not be reviewed this academic year (2017-18).

Climate Workgroup has not met.

The chair asked senate members to consider whether the workgroups are beneficial as they are or should the focus be changed.

Old Business

Liberal Education Subcommittee Program Assessment Liaison (PAL) request to the Faculty Senate. The subcommittee manages the assessment for the liberal education program and would like their own PAL

assigned to the subcommittee membership. The senate members brainstormed various solutions that may assist with the assessment workload rather than just adding a PAL to membership. Possible solutions included asking the Assessment Subcommittee to discuss the PAL roles and another is if assessment could be broken out by liberal education category which would lighten up the workload of one PAL. The Liberal Education Subcommittee is also looking for guidance from AVC Pepper's office. Members also discussed a course buyout or receiving pay for performing the additional duties of PAL on the subcommittee. The Liberal Education Subcommittee chair will bring this request back to the members with senate discussion.

UMD Graduation Ceremonies: Mace Bearer

The senate members are creating a process for selecting mace bearers. The chair requested all members to include their feedback in the google document that was made available.

New Business

Adjourn 4:40 p.m.

Wendy J. Larrivy