Minutes
Faculty Assembly Membership Meeting
Monday, February 21, 2022 | ACR 204, 3:30 PM

I. Call to Order


Not present but counted in the quorum: Jimmy Case, Karrin Ford, Chris Garcia, Elba Lamar, Thornton Larson, Ryan Luna, Cynthia McAlister, Julie Vega

II. Guest Speakers

1. Executive Vice President and Provost Dr. Bernie Canteñs

Dr. Canteñs joined the meeting and shared that he would be happy to return as a regular guest speaker. He provided some updates, including that he is working on a new payscale for adjuncts, as well as working with many to reestablish the Curriculum Council. He welcomes questions. He asked for feedback from faculty regarding the test optional admissions process and regarding leaving a gap in teaching schedules to promote a shared meeting time for faculty and staff.

2. Vice President for Enrollment Management, Dr. Yvonne Realivasquez

Dr. Realivasquez shared information about current enrollment numbers, saying that enrollment has dropped over the last three years, about 10% annually, but that this is in line with national trends. She shared strategies she is exploring in her new role with various others, including rethinking the First Year Seminar, developing learning communities programs. She shared about the test optional admissions procedure and the need to develop a holistic management process for enrolling students. She asked for feedback from faculty whenever they’re having issues with admissions processes.

3. SGA President, Alyssa Salles or delegate

An SGA representative was unable to attend the meeting.

III. Determination of Quorum

A quorum was not obtained during the meeting.

IV. Approval of minutes from November 15, 2021 meeting
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No motions could be made due to a lack of quorum.

V. President’s Report
1. Discuss and take action (if any) on FAEC proposed updates to Faculty Assembly By-Laws (Policy on Resolutions of No Confidence, Censure, and Confidence)

Dr. Stein presented the proposed updates to Faculty Assembly By-Laws. Discussion took place. Stein asked for feedback to be emailed. Motion will be presented again in March if a quorum is determined.

2. Discuss and take action (if any) on FAEC proposed updates to Faculty Assembly Constitution

Dr. Stein presented the proposed updates to the Faculty Constitution relating to membership and quorum. Discussion took place. Stein asked for feedback to be emailed. Motion will be presented again in March if a quorum is determined.

3. Discuss and take action (if any) on annual evaluations of Chairs, Deans, Provost, and President

Dr. Stein presented information on annual evaluations of Chairs, Deans, Provost, and President. This will be handled through the Provost’s Office in the future.

4. Outstanding Teaching Award Update

Nothing to report.

5. Access and Excellence in Coaching Award

Dr. Jessica Velasco asked for the correction of the name to: Academic Excellence in Coaching Award. Dr. Stein shared information about the award from the SR INFO Faculty Assembly page. The nomination form is online. Nominations are due April 10.

6. Faculty Assembly Elections at April meeting

Dr. Stein encouraged members to consider running for the open positions of President, Vice President, and Secretary-Treasurer.

VI. Vice President’s Report

Dr. Francis will be working on the slate for AY22-23 for Faculty Assembly appointments to committees, councils, and other working groups.
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VII. Council and Committee Reports

1. Honors Council: Dr. Gunes asked about his proposal to name the Honors Council after Dr. Case. Dr. Stein shared that there had been a proposal made to name the College after Dr. Case at the Board of Regents Meeting, but she was unaware of whether the proposal passed.

2. Budget Oversight Council: Dr. Joey Velasco shared about meeting with Dr. Canteñs to discuss the role of the Council. Additionally, the Council submitted a FOIA Request for information about faculty salaries to inform their work. They will continue discussions and consider forming a joint council with Faculty Senate.

VIII. Secretary/Treasurer’s Report

1. Establishing Spring 2022 Membership List

Betsy shared that the Provost’s Office was working on gathering this information as well. A motion to vote on approval of the membership list could not be made due to a lack of quorum.

IX. Parliamentarian’s Report

Nothing to report.

X. Old Business

1. Discuss and take action (if any) on Academic Integrity Council’s proposal of new process for academic conduct violations (Velasco, Jessica) tabled at November 15 meeting

No action could be taken due to a lack of quorum. Dr. Jessica Velasco asked for feedback via email.

2. Status of funding for Teaching and Research Councils

Dr. Shiller met with the President and Provost regarding funding for the Research Council. It was reported that the Provost’s Office is going to assist in the funding.

3. Status of Curriculum Council

Dr. Canteñs is working with various faculty to make appropriate updates to reestablish the Curriculum Council.

XI. New Business

1. Discuss and take action (if any) on Admissions Office processes and communication with applicants (Ray)
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1. It was recommended that issues related to Admission be reported to Dr. Realivasquez.
2. Discuss and take action (if any) on Academic Advising and Tutoring processes (Velasco, Joey)

Discussion took place.

3. Discuss and take action (if any) on FAR Updates (Velasco, Jessica)

Dr. Jessica Velasco shared a survey from the Athletics Department.

XII. Announcements

1. Dr. Francis: SRSU Symposium is coming up; please promote to your students.
2. Dr. Reed: Study Abroad learning opportunity in Italy for 2023: Meet at RAS 135 tomorrow to learn more.

XIII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned without motion due to a lack of quorum.