

SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, September 8, 2020

Remote Meeting - Zoom | 4:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Present: Anderson, DeKrey, Feinstein, Fischer, Greene, Levin, Luger, Maxey, Murry, Murza, Schuttler, Toewe

Absent:

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:01PM

Approval of the Agenda

Approved without objection.

Approval of the Minutes from August 24, 2020

Approved without objection.

Announcements

Chair's Report (Levin) – No Report

Senate Committee Reports

Academic Policies (Toewe) – We will review a request from a faculty member regarding the academic misconduct policy. Last Spring, we had a proposal from Athletics regarding fulltime enrollment for Summer; it's currently out of APC's hands as other campus entities consider the proposal.

Codification (Schuttler) – We will review the step back policy this Wednesday and return it to Salary Equity.

Elections (Murza) – The call for nominations has been finalized; some appointment vacancies didn't produce any nominees. Elections are forthcoming.

Faculty Welfare (Luger) – We began deliberations on the administrative searches policy. We cancelled Welfare this week due to the State of the University address on Wednesday.

Question about pausing annual/biennial review for tenured faculty: Faculty are welcome to submit their ideas/proposals to Welfare.

Salary Equity (Greene) – The committee is discussing pay reduction models and thinking about issues of fairness & parity.

Question about adjunct pay rates: No sections were cut this semester, and the pay rates for adjuncts remain unchanged from last year.

Standing Reports

Board of Trustees (Fischer) – A special meeting of the BOT will be held September 25th. The main topic will be approving the final budget for FY21.

President (Feinstein) – Please tune into the State of the University address this Wednesday.

Question about weather-related closures: Currently, there is no difference in planning this year than in other years. Some classes would still be affected as usual by snow days. As in any other semester, it would be up to faculty to decide how to accommodate learning and assignments for their classes.

Provost (Anderson) – We are initiating dean searches. The EBS dean position will be advertised soon; first round interviews anticipated in November, with final interviews in early Spring. We are setting the timeline and getting materials ready for the PVA dean search. We are also preparing to search for an Executive Director of Extended Campus and working with Oscar Levin to put together a search committee. The Associate Provost application closed on Friday; only one application was submitted.

Unfinished Business

New Business

Comments to the Good of the Order

The bear statue at the UC has a custom-made mask thanks to Theatre.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30PM.

Oscar Levin
Chair

Betsy Kienitz
Recording Secretary