

SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

MONDAY, November 1, 2021

UC Spruce A | 4:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Present: Fischer, Greene, Kyle, Levin, Luger, Maxey, Senbet, Vaughan, Vollendorf, Wiegand

Absent: Feinstein, Schuttler

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:06pm.

Approval of the Agenda

Approved without objection.

Approval of the Minutes from October 18, 2021

Approved without objection.

Announcements

Chair's Report (Levin)

- The Data Governance Committee asked if we want to send a Faculty Senate representative, but if there are already faculty on that committee, then an additional Senate representative is not needed.

Academic Covid Responsiveness Group Report (Senbet & Vaughan)

- We confirmed that mentor teachers working off campus with student teachers are exempt from UNC's vaccination requirement.
- The group also discussed the same concerns raised at the last Faculty Senate meeting: accommodations/support for students, especially in the context of the additional stresses of the pandemic.

DISCUSSION:

- Compassion and reasonable accommodation are great, but there are also instances where students may not be able to accomplish the learning objectives or complete course requirements.
- Many faculty members are already spending more of their time this semester to support and accommodate students.
- Many student issues could be resolved by students communicating directly with their professors.
- The Provost will send a message to campus to acknowledge/thank students, faculty, and staff for their work this semester, remind everyone about existing processes in place, and encourage students to communicate with faculty.

Senate Committee Reports

Academic Policies (Vaughan) – APC will examine the Posthumous Degrees policy in whole to see where clarification is needed.

Codification (Schuttler) – No Report.

Elections (Kyle) – No Report.

Faculty Welfare (Senbet) – We are discussing chair/director roles; Levin has provided an initial draft for policy updates.

Salary Equity (Greene) – No Report.

Standing Reports

Board of Trustees (Fischer) – The BOT Finance & Audit Committee meeting is Thursday, 11/11; we will present the Compensation Investment Plan. The full BOT meeting is Friday, 11/12.

President's Office (Maxey) – The Osteopathic Medical School town hall is this Thursday, 11/4.

The feasibility study report and a recording of the forum will also be posted online for those who are unable to attend the town hall.

Provost (Vollendorf) – The Students Frist Framework taskforces have begun their work; thanks for your help in recruiting students to join the taskforces.

Unfinished Business

New Business

Comments to the Good of the Order

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:29pm.

Oscar Levin
Chair

Betsy Kienitz
Recording Secretary