

# Faculty Senate 2016–2017

MINUTES: August 31, 2016

Hoosier Room, Campus Center 6:00-8:00 pm

J. Ledesma, Chair; K. Bailey, acting rec sect'y

**Present**: C. Arthur, K. Bailey, A. Coria-Navia, D. Davis, D. Fortin, K. Koudele, J. Ledesma, J. Lim, G. Lovhoiden, S. Moncrief, T. Newkirk, L. Ruhupatti, B. Sedlacek, C. Sigua, J. Sigvartsen, L. Weldon, M. Ullom, D. Village, R. Zdor,

Regrets/absent: S. Badenas, A. Baltazar, S. Bell, F. Cortez, C. Gane, B. Gibson, K. Hall, R. Perez-Schulz, G. Russell, A. Solis,

Guests: none

# Votes & Actions taken (numbers [n] represent items on original agenda)

**[5] Minutes** of 18 May 2016 Senate Meeting. **MOTION**, "Move to approve minutes as presented". Seconded; **VOTE PASSED**.

#### [6] Report: Strategic Planning Task Force

(L. Weldon)

**Announce:** Lynelle Weldon & Tevni Grajales are representatives on the University Strategic Planning Council; they co-chair the Faculty Strategic Planning Task Force. The Task Force recommends seven specific changes to current draft of strategic plan initial thoughts (see attachment).

**Discussed**: Faculty development needs to be an intentional part of the strategic plan—Center for Teaching and Learning Effectiveness (CTALE) and Office of Research and Creative Scholarship (ORCS) are important contributions to this; integration between these (and other) units needs to be strengthened.

**MOTION**: The Faculty Senate supports the Strategic Planning Task Force recommendations concerning initial thoughts as presented. (J. Lim) Seconded, **VOTE PASSED**.

#### [7] Report: Feedback for Administrators Concept

(L. Weldon)

**Announce:** The 2015-2016 officers looked at each administrative positions separately and thought about what elements faculty might give feedback on—the elements can be fine-tuned for each administrative position (see attachment). Because of the number of items, suggest only giving feedback to a subset of administrator in each given year.

**MOTION:** To form an ad hoc group to work with the President in order to identify faculty and administrator needs for feedback on administrative positions/offices, and to develop a shared plan for providing such feedback if a new plan is needed. (K. Bailey), Seconded.

MOTION TO TABLE (L. Weldon), Seconded, VOTE PASSED.

## [10] Election of executive secretary and parliamentarian.

**Announce:** The Faculty Senate needs to fill the positions of Parliamentarian and Executive Secretary that reopened since the election of officers in spring of 2016. There are three open senate seats that need to be filled using the appropriate process, beginning with soliciting nominations from the three units (School of Education, School of Health Professions, College of Arts and Sciences—Social Sciences Division).

**Recommendation:** J. Ledesma to contact deans of above units to begin process of filling the three empty seats. **MOTION:** To suspend the rules requiring a secret ballot vote for Parliamentarian. Moved, seconded. **VOTE PASSED.** 

MOTION: To elected Timothy Newkirk as Parliamentarian. Moved, seconded. VOTE PASSED.

# Items Not Taken Up Prior to Adjournment

- [10] Election of executive secretary
- [11] Communication to schools by senators.

## Senate Discussion & Announcements

- [1] Welcome & Prayer by J. Ledesma. Prov. 16:3 "Commit our senate year to the Lord..."
- [3] Worship by C. Arthur. Lamentations 3:21-24 "But this I call to mind; therefore I have hope:..." In the midst of our lament, God is faithful.
- [4] Provost Remarks by C. Arthur. Ubuntu philosophy "I am because you are, and because you are, I am." There is a common bond among all at Andrews and our existence is wrapped up in each other. Question for Senate: How do we create that experience at Andrews University, so that Andrews University is better because of every person, and every person is better for being at Andrews University?

Dr. Arthur introduced the financial realities facing Andrews University, and introduced Blue Ocean Strategy and Unified Framework of Outcomes in that context. Dr. Arthur proposed the following questions for Senate consider this year as part of these initiatives: What are the distinguishing traits of the Andrews student? What are the added values/uniquely different traits of Andrews students? What does a distinctive Andrews faculty member look like?

#### [8] Report: Center for Teaching and Learning Excellence

(A. Coria-Navia)

**Announce:** All events for CTALE are at <a href="http://ctale.eventbrite.com/">http://ctale.eventbrite.com/</a>. There are a variety of opportunities for training and networking. Senators were encouraged to participate in these faculty development events and to communicate the importance of these to their colleagues.

[9] Committee (UGC, GC, FDPC, AOC) reports – no reports at this time.

Next faculty senate meeting: September 21, 2016 at 6:00 pm in the Whirlpool Room, Chan Shun Hall.

Attachment: Faculty Strategic Planning Task Force recommendations on initial thoughts.



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Attachment: Differentiated feedback ideas for Administrator feedback.



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