



## Faculty Senate 2017–2018

**MINUTES: March 14, 2018**

Whirlpool Room, Chan Shun Hall

6:00-8:00 pm

**R. Wells, Acting Chair; K. Bailey, recording sect'y**

**Present:** B. Ade-Oshifogun, K. Bailey, A. Baltazar, S. Bell, S. Brown-Fraser, A. Coria-Navia, B. Gibson, O. Glanz, D. Habenicht, J. Lim, G. Lovhoiden, S. Moncrieff, N. Nosworthy, D. Randall, R. Siebold, A. Solis, R. Wells, R. Zdor.

**Regrets/absent:** S. Badenas, D. Davis, H. Ferguson, D. Fortin, C. Gane, K. Hall, B. Maguad, M. Murray, T. Newkirk, R. Perez-Schulz, J. Sigvartsen, D. Taylor, C. Arthur, A. Luxton.

**Guests:** A. Boseman.

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

**[2] Minutes of February 21, 2018 Senate Meeting. MOTION:** Move to approve minutes as amended (K. Bailey). Seconded; **VOTE PASSED.**

#### **[4] Committee Reports**

**R. Wells**

##### **AU UFO Steering Committee.**

**February 27:** The AU UFO Steering Committee has been responding to information received from the ACE Committee. The Steering Committee is still working towards a May Retreat, and has asked for a representative on the Steering Committee from the ACE Committee.

The AU UFO Steering Committee is requesting to add three faculty. **MOTION:** "To add Anthony Boseman, Heather Ferguson, & Rahel Wells to the AU UFO Steering Committee." (A. Coria-Navia). Seconded.

**DISCUSSION:** The Senate had questions about the purpose and mandate of the AU UFO Steering Committee. Senator Coria-Navia noted that the AU UFO act as a support system for the full implementation of the AU UFO, including training faculty, curriculum design, mapping, and assessment. The Senate encouraged the AU UFO Steering Committee to integrate the assessment committee in to the implementation process.

**VOTE PASSED.**

**MOTION:** "To IDENTIFY two faculty members of the Assessment Committee and invite them to join the AU UFO Steering Committee." (S. Brown-Fraser). Second. **VOTE PASSED.**

**Undergraduate Council, Faculty Policy and Development Council, Graduate Council, Academic Operations Council, Graduate Faith & Integration, Race and Justice.** No report.

#### **[5] Sabbatical—Application Process and Proposed Instructions**

The Working Policy contains provision for faculty to apply for sabbaticals in addition to the regular 8 weeks of professional development that faculty are to engage in every year. With the change in the timing of the annual review, it is now possible for faculty to discuss and plan sabbaticals with their chair in the summer before the application deadline present in working policy. However, there is little guidance available for faculty who have not received a sabbatical in the past. Faculty who have recently received sabbaticals have contributed a document that the Senate could place on the website to help faculty prepare for a discussion with their chair.

**MOTION:** To POST the Sabbatical Application guidance document to the Senate web page on the faculty annual report." Seconded, **VOTE PASSED.**

#### **[6] Faculty Representatives for Spiritual Life Story Implementation Committee**

**MOTION:** To RECOMMEND to Chaplain Price the following nominees to serve on a committee to implement the proposals arising from the Spiritual Life Story brainstorming session: Andrews Von Maur (SAID), Glynis Bradfield (SDEIP), Ryan Hayes (Chemistry/CAS), Troy Homenchuk (SAID), Barbara Harrison (SHP/Nursing), Sherri Isaak (SHP/Public Health, Nutrition, and Wellness) . (B. Ade-Oshifogun). Seconded, **VOTE PASSED.**

**[8] Academic Vision for Andrews University (Confidential Discussion of Shared Governance)**

Minutes of this confidential discussion are available to Senators by request to the Senate Chair. The following motion was passed at the end of the confidential discussion.

**MOTION:** “In light of the mutual desire of the faculty and administration to have shared governance, and acknowledging that a lack of committee reporting is undermining that goal, we encourage the President to find a full-time executive administrative assistant who can serve as recording secretary for the four Standing Committees of the Faculty Senate, who can serve as recording secretary for the Faculty Senate and Staff Senate, and who can serve both the Faculty Senate and the Staff Senate in other responsibilities (such as Senate record-keeping, secretarial responsibilities for the Senates, benchmarking for Senate concerns) as defined by their executives.” (S. Moncrieff). Seconded, **VOTE PASSED.**

## Senate Discussion & Announcements

**[1] Worship & Prayer**

**R. Wells**

R. Wells read from Ps. 27—a reading from her Hebrew class. This is a good psalm for discussing difficult issues. God is our light and strength. If key importance is v. 4 “one thing I have desired of the Lord” is “to dwell in God’s house” and to “inquire in his temple”.

**[3] ETLC/CTL Updates**

**A. Coria-Navia**

A reminder about the March 29 AUTLC meeting. There will be 36 sessions from colleagues and students who have interesting and helpful ideas to present and get feedback on. Senators are encourage to attend and encourage others to attend. It is not necessary to commit to the entire conference for faculty who have teaching responsibilities.

The Senate asked if some of the presentations could be considered for Faculty Institute for faculty who are unable to attend.

Tabled for next meeting: Race & Justice Subcommittee Chair and Membership.

**Next Faculty Senate meeting:** April 18, 2018.