

Faculty Senate 2018–2019

MINUTES: March 13, 2019

Whirlpool Room, Chan Shun Hall 6:00-8:00 pm

K. Hall, Chair; K. Bailey, Recording Secretary

Present: K. Bailey, S. Brown-Fraser, A. Coria-Navia, H. Ferguson, B. Gibson, T. Goodwin, K. Hall, J. Lim, B. Maguad, N. Nosworthy, R. Orrison, D. Randall, A. Solis, D. Taylor, R. Wells.

Regrets/absent: B. Ade-Oshifogun, S. Badenas, A. Baltazar, S. Bell, D. Davis, B. Dent, D. Fortin, C. Gane, O. Glanz, G. Gregorutti, D. Habenicht, P. Lyons, M. Murray, R. Perez-Schulz, C. Stuart, C. Arthur, A. Luxton.

Guests: K. Mattingly.

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

[2] Minutes of February 20, 2019 Senate Meeting. MOTION: Move to approve minutes as amended (K. Bailey). Seconded; VOTE PASSED.

[4] Committee Reports (R. Wells)

Undergraduate Council (2/4)—Recommended: Standing committee minutes be posted to the Senate website in order to be accessible to faculty. The Senate Officers have recommended to the three other standing committees that we begin posting standing committee minutes on a faculty-accessible webpage in July.

Graduate Council (2/6)—The Graduate Council is reviewing the process for dissertation reviews and approvals.

Faculty Policy & Development Council—No report.

Academic Operations Council—No report.

AU UFO Steering Committee—The AU UFO Steering Committee is working on finalizing recommendations from ACE providers to the ACE Committee. That work has been extended for one more session, at which point recommendations will be sent to the ACE Committee. The AU UFO Steering Committee is concurrently planning the May retreat, which will focus on undergraduate assessment. The retreat will be the week after May graduation.

Race and Justice. No report.

[5] Change Day Date Change

Teela Ruehle requested feedback on a date change for Change Day beginning in 2019. In 2017 and 2018, Change day was on the Thursday prior to September 15 (the anniversary of J. N. Andrews departure as a missionary). The proposal is to move Change Day to Tuesday, September 24 in 2019 and to the 3rd week of September in 2020 and following years, when it would be combined with Week of Spiritual Emphasis. In general, the Senate was positively disposed toward the proposal. The Senators raised the following observations and questions.

- Moving Change Day to Week of Spiritual Emphasis makes sense in the schedule and supports the idea that religious belief should lead to meaningful action in the world.
- On one hand, this change would mean one less day of presentations during Week of Spiritual Emphasis; on the other hand, this would mean a greater variety of activities during Week of Spiritual Emphasis.
- This proposal gives teachers one more week to organize and link students to projects
- This proposal also allows for a first full week of classes (convocation and Labor Day disrupt the first two weeks) in the third week of the semester, rather than the fifth.

- Concern: will weather still be acceptable for mostly outdoor activities?
- Check: Does a shift from Thursday to Tuesday disadvantage any courses or programs?

[6] Senate Election Process and Schedule

The Executive Secretary reviewed the election process and schedule with the Senate. The realignment will lead to one Senator from CAS/Humanities being moved to a new academic unit. In order to allow that Senator to continue to work on the Senate, but to allow the new academic unit to select representation, the Senate took the following action.

MOTION: "That the Senator from CAS Humanities who is appointed to a department now within the College of Education and International Services be retained on the Senate as an at-large Senator for the remaining two years of his term." (Lim). Seconded, **VOTE PASSED**.

Senate Discussion & Announcements

[1] Worship & Prayer

Worship and Prayer (K. Hall). 1 John 3:1. "In the realm of God's love you are irreplaceable... God does not love us equally, He loves us uniquely." Lisa Bevere, *Uniquely*. Prayer: K. Mattingly.

[3] Effective Teaching and Learning Council and Center for Teaching and Learning (A. Coria-Navia)

Reminders: Teaching Innovation grant applications are due on Friday, March 15. The Andrews University Teaching and Learning Conference is on March 28. Remember that faculty can support each other in many different ways: formative dialogues, mentoring, lunch and learn.

Next Faculty Senate meeting: April 17, 2019.