Regrets/absent: J. Lim, C. Stuart
Guests: A. Coria-Navia

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

[2] Minutes of prior Faculty Senate Meeting
MOTION: VOTE passed. To approve the minutes as presented (K. Friestad). Yes: 15 votes.

[4 Council/Committee Reports (A. Bosman)
Voted to approve and Seconded: 18 votes
Undergraduate Council:
( Minutes for 02/01/2021): Primarily PDRC changes

Graduate Council:
Minutes for 12/02/2020: PDRC Changes and votes; Dean Thorpe presented information that a study was being conducted to review and standardize tuition rates to make tuition more affordable for students and align online and face-to-face tuition rates.
Minutes for 02/03/2021: PDRC Changes; Discussion related to Spring graduation; additional discussion related to summer travel and vaccinations.

Academic Operations and Policy Council:
:none

Faculty Policy & Development Council:
11/16/2020 Minutes: Primarily discussed the new MI state order to return to remote learning that occurred in late November 2020. The COVID-19 vaccine was also discussed and whether it would be required.
12/14/2020 Minutes: Dr. McBride presented regarding post-tenure policy, along with pertinent questions, particularly in response to the COVID-19 crisis and how tenure factored into certain decisions. This discussion was highlighted as ongoing; Dr. Coria-Navia presented the new Faculty Development Documentation Tool.

LearningHub Ad Hoc Committee:
:none

Liberal Arts Council:
:none

Race and Justice:
:none
Senate Discussion & Announcements


[3] ETLC & CTL Updates (A. Coria-Navia)
AUTLC 2021 March 25 1:30 to 6:15 PM; Undergraduate Research Poster Symposium (March 26 at 1:30); Faculty Technology Showcase; Faculty Institute Planning (including corresponding members of that committee); Summer support and Training

[5] Faculty Senate Elections update (K. Friestad)
I gave a brief update on the process, which is still in the preliminary stages.

Big discussion regarding faculty faith “engagement” or support, as well as different facets of what supporting faculty would look like; multi-faceted approach to providing support to faculty; the benefits of just having the discussion; some faculty found that they did not connect with someone they didn’t know well (a chaplain) who stopped by once a month, but connected better and found better support from their colleagues in their department.

Next Faculty Senate meeting: April 14