

Agenda of the Faculty Senate Meeting
October 12, 2017
Albert Dorman Honors College Conference Room (211), 11:30 AM–1:30 PM

- I. Convening of the Meeting – Andrew Klobucar, President
- II. Approval of Minutes of the Faculty Senate meeting on Sept. 28, 2017 (5 minutes)
- III. Report of the Faculty Senate President (15 Minutes)
 - a. Information from Provost's Office on Faculty Hires for 2017
 - b. Institutional Faculty Meeting: October 18 (2:30-4:30)
 - c. Standing Committee Updates on Representatives and Meeting Times
 - i. Faculty Representatives still needed for Standing Committees
 - d. Update on new CFRR sub-committees
 - i. Subcommittee for Faculty Handbook Changes & Maintenance
 - ii. Subcommittee to streamline Procedures for Distinguished Professor Rank
 - iii. Subcommittee for Evaluation of Upper Administrators
 - e. Update on Policy for Hiring and Promoting Lecturers
- IV. Update on Institutional Investigation of NJIT Instructor with Proposed Faculty Senate Statement
 - a. Charge CFRR Committee to constitute new standing sub-committee on issues of academic freedom as laid forth in the 1940 Statement of Principles on Academic Freedom and Tenure
- V. Motion to Approve CUE and CGE Definition of Course Credit by Hours
- VI. Motion To Endorse Revised J1 Exchange Visitor English Proficiency Verification Requirement Policy (H. Rotstein 10 min.)
- VII. Motion to Approve New FH Section for Joint Appointment at Hiring (A. Akansu 10 Min)

The following FH modification has been unanimously voted to be forwarded to the Faculty Senate for consideration.

Under Section 2.4.1 Faculty Appointments, the proposed addition as a subsection:

2.4.1.5 Joint Appointment at the Time of Hire
A Faculty candidate may seek a joint appointment in more than one Department or Academic Unit. The application and approval process of such a request must follow the same steps as detailed in Section 2.4.3 Joint Appointments.
- VIII. Other Business

Minutes of the Faculty Senate Meeting
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- I. Convening of the Meeting – Andrew Klobucar, President
Meeting started at 11:38AM

- II. Roll Call-
The following members were present: M. Bandelt, D. Blackmore, D. Bunker, A. Anandarajan, I. Gatley, H. Grebel, L. Potts, A. Klobucar, S. Chester (sub for T. Rosato), B. Khusid, E. Michalopoulou, M. Hurtado de Mendoza, S. Pemberton, A. Zarzycki (sub for D. Sollohub), N. Jackson, J. Calvin, M. Saadeghvaziri, R. Sodhi, E. Thomas, G. Thomas, and Y. Young.

The following non-voting members were present: L. Hamilton, C. Rocha, L. Simon, M. Kam, K. Riisman, A. Schuman, G. Milano, B. Shah (student senate), and D. Ullman.

The following guests were present: N. Steffen Fluhr, H. Rostein, B. Baltzis, A. Akansu, and J. Wolf.

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The minutes of the September 28, 2017 faculty meeting were approved (18 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions)

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Discussion. D. Blackmore stated that PSA requested Dr. Bloom form a committee to investigate. H. Stern is working with AAUP, PSA, and outside investigators. A previously drafted Faculty Senate Statement was presented and subsequently collectively edited to read, "NJIT is a university that embraces diversity and sees that diversity as a source of strength. The NJIT Faculty Senate finds specific racist pronouncements made by University Lecturer Jason Reza Jorjani in these articles and documents about race and biology to be morally repugnant. Hate and bigotry have no place on the NJIT campus." G. Thomas motion to accept statement. E. Michalopoulou seconded. Motion was approved. (18 yes, 0 no, 1 abstention)

- VI. Motion to Approve CUE and CGE Definition of Course Credit by Hours
Discussion. E. Michalopoulou motion to approve. D. Bunker seconded. (16 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions)
- VII. Motion To Endorse Revised J1 Exchange Visitor English Proficiency Verification Requirement Policy (H. Rotstein 10 min.)
Discussion. H. Grebel motion to approve. A. Klobucar seconded. (12 yes, 1 no, 1 abstention)
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G. Thomas moved to table item 8. E. Michalopoulou seconded. Item 8 was tabled for the following FS meeting, as we did not have enough time. (10 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions)

- IX. The meeting adjourned at 1:26PM