

Agenda of the Faculty Senate Meeting
February 14, 2019
Albert Dorman Honors College Conference Room (211), 11:30 AM–1:30 PM

- I. Convening of the Meeting – Eliza Michalopoulou, President
- II. Approval of Minutes of the Faculty Senate Meeting on January 31, 2019.
- III. Report of the Faculty Senate President (20 minutes).
 - Meeting with the BOT, February 7, 2019.
 - Presidential search update.
 - TAC and load distribution.
 - Student dependents' insurance.
 - Teaching evaluations; emails sent to P&T and ITE; class observations.
 - Evaluation of Upper Administrators.
 - Next FS meeting.
- IV. Provost's report (Provost Deek, 20 minutes).
- V. Taking from the table the MTSM proposal to replace the current required computing course with CS 100 for undergraduate majors (R. Caudill, 10 minutes).
- VI. CUE Report. Please see attachments (D. Horntrop, 20 minutes).
- VII. TLT Committee Update: Canvas Fall 2018 Pilot & Learning Management System Discussion (M. Koskinen, 20 minutes).
- VIII. Suggested way forward for faculty profiles (N. Rubio, 20 minutes).

Minutes of the Faculty Senate Meeting
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- I. Convening of the Meeting – Eliza Michalopoulou, President
The Faculty meeting started at 11:32AM.

- II. Roll Call-
The following voting members were present: A. Anandarajan, T. Arinzeh, D. Blackmore, D. Bunker, E. Farinas, I. Gatley, H. Grebel, D. Hornthrop, B. Khusid, N. Steffen Fluhr, E. Michalopoulou, S. Pemberton, L. Potts, A. Rosato, M. Schwartz, R. Sodhi, D. Sollohub, E. Thomas, G. Thomas, Y. Perl, and A. Gerbessiotis.

The following non voting members were present: K. Belfield, R. Lazer, F. Deek, A. Hoang, M. Stanko, K. Riismandel, and B. Baltzis.

The following guests were present: N. Rubio, G. Chottiner, L. Simon, S. Moore, J. Carpinelli, B. Haggerty, M. Koskinen, and W. Fox.

- III. Approval of Minutes of the Faculty Senate Meeting on January 31, 2019.
The minutes of the Faculty Senate meeting on January 31, 2019 were approved unanimously.

- IV. Report of the Faculty Senate President

The FS President gave a presentation to the BOT on February 7, 2019.
Presidential search update: Dr. Bloom’s contract was extended by one year by the BOT.
TAC and load distribution.
All TAC documents have been received. All non-NCE units have submitted load justification documents. Dean Kam will provide load justification for NCE as per Dr. Deek. B. Lazer expressed concerns about HIPPA violations if personal data are included in the documents. Personal/medical information should be removed from the justification documents before those are forwarded to the FS to avoid violations.
Student dependents’ insurance.
Teaching evaluations; emails were sent to P&T and ITE. There is no language in the PSA contract preventing class observations.
There were comments about forming a committee for evaluations and considering other forms of teaching evaluations.
Evaluation of Upper Administrators. There are two issues that need to be addressed: language in the handbook and carrying out the process.
Next FS meeting. E. Thomas to run next meeting in FS president’s absence.

- V. Provost’s report (Provost Deek)
NJIT was moved to “highest research activity” in Carnegie Classification. Dr. Deek thanks the faculty members for their efforts that led to such an achievement. Matt Golden will work on major publicity campaign. In March 2019, new data for peers list will be released. Regarding outsourcing, nothing will happen until the assessment of IT on campus is complete and faculty has approved to move forward. D. Sollohub mentioned negative outside comments about our

website appearance. Working Committees will be created for Students, Faculty, Visibility, and Infrastructure needs. D. Blackmore and Y. Perl commented on the possibility of adding an Operational Matters committee as well.

VI. CUE Report. Please see attachments (D. Hornthrop).

- BME B.S. in Biomedical Engineering

D. Hornthrop made a motion to approve. G. Thomas seconded. Motion was approved (16 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions).

- Biology & Chemistry B.S. in Biology and Chemistry (double major)

D. Hornthrop made a motion to approve. G. Thomas seconded. Motion was approved (20 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions)

- GER Update

D. Hornthrop made a motion to approve. D. Sollohub seconded. Motion was approved (18 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions)

- CS B.S. in Computer Science

D. Hornthrop made a motion to approve. G. Thomas seconded. Motion was approved (19 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions)

- CoAD B.A. in Interior Design

D. Hornthrop made a motion to approve. G. Thomas seconded. Motion was approved (20 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions)

- CoAD B.S. in Industrial Design

D. Hornthrop made a motion to approve. T. Rosato seconded. Motion was approved (18 yes, 0 no, 1 abstention)

VII. TLT Committee Update: Canvas Fall 2018 Pilot & Learning Management System Discussion (M. Koskinen).

Canvas is the current market leader with 9 peer and 9 NJ institutions utilizing it. If we select Canvas over Moodle, Moodle content will be transferred over with assistance from the Office of Digital Learning. Canvas is more expensive but it is a premium product with reliable and dependable service, unlike Moodle. If adopted, transition will begin in Fall 2019 with Moodle staying available for Fall '10, Spring '20 and Summer '20. According to this plan, by Fall '20 Moodle will be retired. L. Potts expressed concerns about whether the Moodle functionality can be moved over to Canvas. E. Michalopoulou suggested holding an information forum for any questions or concerns. B. Khusid suggested faculty having the option to continue using Moodle primarily then gradually move to canvas. M. Koskinen stressed that demos and sandbox will be available for faculty; instructors just need to reach out to his office.

VIII. Suggested way forward for faculty profiles (N. Rubio).

A template is available for faculty to see what information will be available populated from Digital Measures. A. Gerbessiotis expressed concerns about security. It was clarified that there are options for certain fields of data to be private if the professor chooses. B. Khusid commented about the availability of exporting annual reports automatically and then giving faculty 3 weeks to eliminate or add information. Questions should be emailed to facultyreport@njit.edu. Discussion will continue at following Faculty Senate meetings in March. Also N. Rubio will look into access of lecturers to Digital Measures.