

Agenda of the Faculty Senate Meeting
May 2, 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 April 18, 2019.
- III. Report of the Faculty Senate President (10 minutes).
IFM: Evaluation of administrators.
Teaching evaluations; recalculating without Ds and Fs and new committee.
2020 Budget.
Scheduling: evaluation of simulations.
- IV. Executive committee member elections (10 minutes).
- V. Profile pages: use Digital Measures information? (15 minutes)
- VI. Load distribution/justification (15 minutes).
- VII. Selection Process of Distinguished Professors: discussion and vote (30 minutes).
- VIII. Establishing an ad hoc committee to collaborate with the administration on the fulfilment of the agenda of NJIT as agreed with the FS (Y. Perl, 10 minutes).
- IX. CUE motions (D. Hornthrop, 25 minutes).
- X. Other business.

Minutes of the Faculty Senate Meeting
May 2, 2019
Albert Dorman Honors College Conference Room (211), 11:30 AM–1:30 PM

- I. Convening of the Meeting – Eliza Michalopoulou, President
The meeting started at 11:31AM

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

The following non-voting members were present: J. Shafik (student senate), K. Belfield, M. Stanko, K. Riismandel, A. Schuman, and B. Baltzis.

The following guests were present: N. Rubio, A. Akansu, J. Meegoda, G. Chottiner, L. Simon, B. Pfister, T. Tyson, and M. Zhou.

- III. Approval of Minutes of the Faculty Senate Meeting on April 18, 2019.
The minutes of the Faculty Senate meeting on April 18 were approved unanimously with one abstention.

- IV. Report of the Faculty Senate President.
IFM: Evaluation of administrators; the motions approved by the FS were approved by the faculty body at the IFM.
Teaching evaluations; recalculating without Ds and Fs and new committee.
C. Brooks' office has been very responsive with providing data. Y. Perl made a motion to have two sets of data reported: one including the grades of students with a D or F and one without including evaluations of students with such grades; the latter would count towards merit and promotion. Discussion. M. Stanko commented that we have already seen presentations about how evaluations do not measure teaching quality and proposed that we wait until we see the work of the new ad-hoc committee before making any decisions. D. Bunker stated that evaluations of students with D and F grades need to be included and that the data chart was not meaningful without weighing proportion of grades. R. Sodhi believes comments from students with D and F grades should remain. A. Saadeghvaziri commented that, until the appropriate tools are available, teaching evaluations should remain the same. J. Shafik suggested finding the full class average and then breaking it down into each grade. Also J. Shafik suggested that a student is included in the new TE ad-hoc committee. Michalopoulou and Stanko responded that this is a good idea. T. Tyson suggested taking into consideration performance in the next class, not just grade. The motion did not pass (7 yes, 12 no, 0 abstentions).
2020 Budget: The FS leadership will meet with President Bloom to discuss the 2020 budget.
Scheduling: evaluation of simulations.
The Faculty Senate President and VP will meet with B. Baltzis to discuss moving forward with simulations. We need to look into a variety of criteria, including both administrative cost and appropriate pedagogy in the delivery of courses.

- V. Executive committee member elections.

Executive committee members for 2019/2020 are D. Bunker, E. Michalopoulou, T. Rosato in addition to E. Thomas (P) and D. Blackmore (VP).

Profile pages: use Digital Measures information?

A motion was made by E. Thomas for faculty profile pages to be populated using Digital Measures information. T. Rosato seconded. Discussion. Faculty members will need to check a box to have information such as publications posted. Davida Scharf in the library will be available to assist faculty with transferring information. The motion was approved (17 yes, 4 no, 2 abstentions).

VI. Selection Process of Distinguished Professors: discussion and vote.

E. Thomas made a motion to approve. T. Rosato seconded. Discussion. T. Tyson stated that non-DP committee membership does not happen at other R1 universities. M. Saadeghvaziri does not agree with having full professors on the DP committee as professors have to achieve the rank of DP first. R. Sodhi stated that anyone can evaluate if the proper procedures are in place. Q. Jones suggested making a call for outside professors when an underrepresented college/school professor is up for review. T. Tyson stated changing the name from DP to Advanced Professor. M. Zhou stated that other universities with DP's do not have full professors on their committees. M. Zhou also stated that the current process for NJIT DP committee is to cross-reference underrepresented professors to other professors at similar career stages from other universities. E. Thomas proposed an amendment that the DP committee membership should mimic the Institute P&T committee. D. Blackmore seconded. A secret ballot was conducted. The motion was approved (15 yes, 7 no, 1 abstention). E. Michalopoulou proposed a friendly amendment regarding external references to request "external references from distinguished scholars." The rationale is that not all institutions have the DP rank and also that letters could be solicited by scholars in research labs or industry. Letters do not need to be solicited from faculty in the same department as the candidate, as NJIT promotes transdisciplinary work. E. Thomas accepted the amendment. A. Saadeghvaziri made a motion to send language back to CFRR. M. Bandelt seconded. The motion for sending the original motion back to committee was approved (12 yes, 9 no, 1 abstention).

VII. Teaching load and justification (J. Meegoda)

Presentation and discussion. The presentation will be made available to senators. Faculty questions and concerns were expressed about the TAC approval process and the role of the Provost.

VIII. CUE motions (D. Horntrop).

CEE Program changes: B.S in Civil Engineering

D. Horntrop made a motion to approve. M. Bandelt seconded. The motion was approved (18 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions).

NCE Program changes: B.S in General Engineering

M. Saadeghvaziri made a motion to approve. M. Bandelt seconded. The motion was approved (18 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions).

ECE Program changes: B.S in Computer Engineering

E. Thomas made a motion to approve. M. Bandelt seconded. The motion was approved (17 yes, 0 no, 2 abstentions).

ECE Program changes: B.S in Computer Engineering (5 year, co-op versions)

E. Thomas made a motion to approve. M. Bandelt seconded. The motion was approved (19 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions).

ECE Program changes: B.S in Electrical Engineering

E. Thomas made a motion to approve. M. Bandelt seconded. The motion was approved (20 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions).

ECE Program changes: B.S in Electrical Engineering (5 year, co-op versions)

E. Thomas made a motion to approve. M.Bandelt seconded. The motion was approved (20 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions).

Humanities Program changes: B.A in Communication and Media

D. Bunker made a motion to approve. G. Thomas seconded. The motion was approved (19 yes, 0 no, 1 abstention).

Humanities Program changes B.S in Science, Technology, and Society

N. Steffen-Fluhr made a motion to approve. G.Thomas seconded. The motion was approved (17 yes, 0 no, 1 abstention).

Humanities Program changes B.S in Science, Technology, and Society (Cyberpsychology option)

N. Steffen-Fluhr made a motion to approve. G.Thomas seconded. The motion was approved (19 yes, 0 no, 1 abstention).

Humanities Program changes: new minor in psychology

N. Steffen-Fluhr made a motion to approve. G.Thomas seconded. The motion was approved (17 yes, 1 no, 1 abstention).

CME Program changes: B.S in Chemical Engineering and B.S in Chemical Engineering (5 year, co-op versions)

D. Horntrop made a motion to approve. B.Khusid seconded. The motion was approved (14 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions).

MIE Program changes: B.S in Mechanical Engineering

N. Steffen-Fluhr made a motion to approve. G.Thomas seconded. The motion was approved (17 yes, 1 no, 0 abstentions).

CoAD Program changes: B.F.A in Fine Arts

N. Steffen-Fluhr made a motion to approve. G.Thomas seconded. The motion was approved (17 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions).

SOM to terminate Programs: B.S in Enterprise Development and B.S in International Business

E. Michalopoulou made a motion to approve. G.Thomas seconded. The motion was approved (15 yes, 0 no, 1 abstention).

CES Program changes: new minor in Forensic Science

E.Michalopoulou made a motion to approve. D.Blackmore seconded. The motion was approved (18 yes, 1 no, 0 abstentions).

Math Program changes: B.S in Mathematical Sciences (Applied Mathematics concentration), B.S in Mathematical Sciences (Applied Statistics and Data Analysis concentration), B.S in Mathematical Sciences (Computational Mathematics concentration), B.S in Mathematical Sciences (Mathematical Biology concentration), B.S in Mathematical Sciences (Mathematics of Finance and Actuarial Science concentration).

E.Michalopoulou made a motion to approve. G.Thomas seconded. The motion was approved (18 yes, 1 no, 0 abstentions).

ET Program changes: new minor in Geriatric Engineering Technology

E. Michalopoulou made a motion to approve. G. Thomas seconded. The motion was approved (18 yes, 1 no, 0 abstentions).

ET Program changes: B.S in ET, Surveying Engineering Technology

E. Michalopoulou made a motion to approve. M. Bandelt seconded. The motion was approved (19 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions).

CS Program changes: B.A in Computer Science

A. Gerbessiotis made a motion to eliminate the program. U. Roshan seconded. The motion was not approved (3 yes, 8 no, 1 abstention). D. Horntrop made a motion to approve the changes.

M. Bandelt seconded. Motion was approved (15 yes, 1 no, 1 abstention).

CS Program changes: B.S in Computer Science

D. Hornthrop made a motion to approve. N.Steffen-Fluhr seconded. The motion was approved (16 yes, 0 no, 1 abstention).

GER updates: STS 201, 205, 210, 221 may satisfy either the History and Humanities (200 level) GER or the Social Sciences GER

Discussion. S. Pemberton stated that the History Dept. strongly opposes this motion, N. Steffen Fluhr agreed. I. Gatley motioned to postpone the discussion for the next meeting. D. Hornthrop seconded. The motion was approved (17 yes, 2 no, 1 abstention)

GER updates: STS 375 and THTR 364 satisfy the History and Humanities (300+ level) GER

D. Hornthrop motion to approve. G. Thomas seconded. The motion was approved (16 yes, 0 no, 2 abstentions).

GER updates: FRSC 201 satisfies the Social Sciences GER

D. Hornthrop motion to approve. G. Thomas seconded. The motion was approved (18 yes, 0 no, 1 abstention).

GER updates: BME 210 satisfies the Computing Literacy GER

Discussion. Concerns were expressed as to whether BME discussed the issue with CS. T. Rosato made a motion to send it back to CUE. Q. Jones seconded. The motion did not pass (7 yes, 10 no, 0 abstentions.) The question was called: 18 yes, 1 no, 0 abstentions. The motion passed (11 yes, 6 no, 2 abstentions)

IX. The meeting ended at 2:10PM