**Minutes of the Faculty Senate Meeting**

 **September 12, 2023**

**CKB Agile Strategy Lab (L70), 11:30 AM–1:30 PM**

**Convening of the Meeting** – Daniel Bunker, President

**Voting Members Present****:**  A.Jung Lee, E. Farinas, H. Chen, D. Bunker (P), J. Lee, T. Narahara, F. Deek, A. Borgaonkar, N. Steffen Fluhr, C. McRae, A. Lefkovitz, S.Subramanian, D. Horntrop, X. Ding, Y. Perl, A. Gerbessiotis, A.Abdi, H. Grebel, S. Cai, R.Sodhi, E. Thomas, P. Armenante, B. Khusid, I. Gatley, R. Assaad, M. Booty

**Non- Voting Members:**  J.Pelesko, E. Hou, M. Kam, K. Belfield, G. Esperdy, O.Tukel, A. Mili, L. Hamilton, B. Haggerty, J. Sodhi, M. Stanko, M. Makar, S. Ziavras,

**Guest Present:**  L. Simon, K. Hageman, E. Hetherington

**Approval of Minutes of the Faculty Senate Meeting on May 9, 2023**

Motion to approve the minutes by D. Horntrop and seconded by A. Borgaonkar. The minutes were approved unanimously.

**Report of the Faculty Senate President**

* Dan introduced himself as the new Faculty Senate President
* Introduced Faculty to the New Provost

 **Expectations for Faculty Senate**

* Attending all meetings of the Faculty Senate committees to which they are appointed and participating fully and knowledgeable in the deliberations of the Faculty Senate and their assigned committees.
* Keep their academic units informed of Faculty Senate business and decisions.
* Solicit the opinions of other faculty and instructional staff in their academic units about Faculty Senate business.
* Represent the academic interests of the faculty and university, as well as the interests of their own academic units.
* Decorum
* Discussion followed.

**New Faculty Orientation**

* Shared Governance
* Propose to find a faculty senator.

**YWCC Dean search is underway.**

* Sent nominees from the senate.

**Evaluation of Administrators**

* Waiting for Joe Sramaty to share his notes

**Egypt Update**

* Process is moving forward.
* The final agreement is on the Board’s website

**Teaching Professor Ranks**

* Make a plan and implement

**Department Bylaws**

* Dan discussed which department approves Bylaws
* Each dept shall either adopt the Default Department Bylaws or adopt customized Department Bylaws of its own construction which conform to the format of the Default Department Bylaws.
* Discussion followed.

**University P&T Committee nominees and composition**

* Four positions to fill the PT Committee
* Would like more nomination**s** by FRIDAY.
* Discussed a shortage of female members.

**Faculty Search and Selection Guideline**

* The policy of the university should be followed when searching for members.

**Faculty Rep needed for the Committee on Research, Scholarship and Creative Academic Activity**

* Reach out to the Research committee so we can have timely communication.

**Welcome Provost Pelesko**

* Introduction
* Touched on key priorities and initiatives.
* University P&T Committee
* Women’s faculty advisory committee (raise awareness)
* Rank Restrictions – Faculty Handbook
* Modify the rules so the associate professors can be involved.
* Discussion Followed

**FS Executive Committee Elections**

* Five-member committee
* Need to fill 3 seats.
* 1st seat Alison Lefkovitz
* 2nd seat David Horntrop
* 3rd seat Ashish Borgaonkar

**New Business**

* No new business.

**The meeting ended at 12:28 PM.**