

Communications Report of the Faculty Senate meeting on 2021-September-02

Senators: J.T. Blackledge, Robert Boram, Stephen Brigham, Nettie Brock, Nathalia Bush, Doug Chatham, Pam Colyer, Steven Crites, DuWayne Dale, Joe Dunman, David Eisenhour, Heba Elgazzar, Julia Finch, Dirk Grupe, Timothy Hare, Patricia Harrelson, Karen Hatfield, Alison Hrubby, Ahmad Hassan, Timothy Hare, Amber Hughes, Lloyd Jaisingh, Kouroush Jenab, Nilesh Joshi, Katie Kaufman, Thomas Kiffmeyer, Thomas Kmetz, Lesia Lennex, David Little, David Long, Ron Morrison, Roma Prindle, Sherif Rashad, Allen Risk, Kim Sharp, Shane Shope, Sherry Stultz, Vijay Subramaniam, Karen Taylor, Wesley White

President Morgan and Provost Norman
Faculty Regent Adams
Staff Congress Chair David Flora
SGA Vice-President Ethan Wells
Guest: Marie Kroll

1. **Call to Order:** 15:45/3:45 PM
2. **Approval of the Minutes of the Faculty Senate meeting from August 19:** Minutes approved as read
3. **Announcements:**
 - Search for new Faculty Senate ADS
 - Photos for the Senate Webpage need to be send to Communications Officer Dirk Grupe by September 10
4. **Presidents Report:** After welcoming the new Faculty Senate 2021/22, President Morgan talked about the compensation plan for an additional \$600 pay raise that will go into effect mid-October. Another raise maybe planned for Spring. Questions by Senator Kmetz regarding status and salary increases of Librarians and Senator Grupe regarding merit pay raises. Regent Adams ask about clarification of status of administrators.
5. **Provost Report:**
 - Electronic Protfolio submission through Blackboard
 - Weekly Updates/Newsletter
 - COVID 19: Upcoming event have to be watch with caution
 - Funding for Instructional Grants deadline on September 10
 - Double Dipping of courses between degrees should be limited. Request sent by Laurie Couch to Academic Issues Committee.
 - Excellent participation in Attendance tracking with new system with 97% participation.

- Question for the provost by Senator Lennex regarding if Senate President Long will be invited to COVID team; Senator Brook regarding Portfolios, and Senator Hatfield regarding people who recovered from COVID-19.
6. Regent Report (Dr. Adams): BOR met two weeks ago on August 19. COSFL update on nomination of Senator Lennex to CPE.
 7. Staff Congress Report (David Flora): Next Staff Congress meeting will be on Tuesday, September 07.
 8. SGA Report (Ethan Wells): Next SGA meeting next week with elections of senators and the strategic planning for the new academic year.
 9. Executive Council Report:
 - Flash Survey on Vaccination mandate: 193 responses, with 150 (77%) are in favor of a vaccine mandate, and 43 (23%) object to this.
 - Continued discussion on a "fast-track" on tenure and promotion.
10. **Executive Council Committee Reports:**
- **Academic Issues:** (K. Jenab):
 - Research and Sponsored Programs, what happened to our resolution from February?
 - Teaching modalities
 - Course fees, we need data on how they are used
 - Double dipping of courses for multiple degrees, double major, minor in related program. Limit to 4 overlapping courses.
 - **Evaluations:** (L. Lennex):
 - Status of Faculty Evaluation Plans (FEPs)
 - Supervisor Evaluations
 - new UAR 343 on Animals on Campus. Decision to postpone discussion to next meeting.
 - **Faculty Welfare & Concerns** (K. Kaufman):
 - PAc 29: Faculty Workload and the ad hoc committee on Faculty Workload.
 - PAc 31: Librarians
 - **Governance:** (J. Finch):
 - Replacement of David Long by Ahmad Hassan on the Student Appeals Committee.
 - FYS committee
 - Level Up Committee
 - Suggestion by Senator Wesley White to assign faculty to committee taking their skills and expertise into account.
11. New Business:

- Student Disciplinary Committee, we need a replacement from the College of Science
 - Request for N95 PPE
12. Old Business: no old business
 13. Senator Grupe moved to adjourn, actually second by several senators, motion passed.
Meeting adjourned: 17:13/5:13 PM
 14. The **recording of the meeting** can be found at <https://moreheadstate.webex.com/webappng/sites/moreheadstate/recording/5057770cee541039b7fa0050568c8a4b/playback>
 15. **Next Meeting:** September 16, 2021
 16. **Minutes Taken by:** Dr. Dirk Grupe, Faculty Senate Communications Officer