

Minutes of the Faculty Senate Meeting
October 12, 2021
WebEx, 11:30AM-1:30PM

1. Convening of the Meeting-Athony Rosato, President
The Meeting started at 11:32AM
2. Voting Members Present: S. Adamovich, L. Rodriguez-Freire, M. Bandelt, R. Goodman, D. Hornthrop, D. Blackmore, D. Bunker, I. Gatley, A. Kosovichev, H. Grebel, R. Rojas-Cessa, Q. Jones, M. Vinnikov, B. Khusid, P. Armenante, N. Steffen-Fluhr, N. Maher, A. Borgaonkar, E. Farinas, A. Rosato, S. Cai, A. Zarzycki, G. Esperdy, E. Thomas, J. Shi, Y. Perl, X. Ding, A. Gerbessiotis
3. Non-Voting Members Present: F. Deek, A. Dhawan, B. Baltzis, M. Kam, K. Belfield, B. Kolarevic, L. Hamilton, A. Hoang, J. Sodhi, M. Stanko, S. Corchado, M. Sharobim, R. Asfour
4. Guests Present: Amit Bose (Mathematical Sciences), Blake Haggerty (Digital Learning & Campus Support), Dale McLeod (VP of HR), Jeremy Reich (Office of Institutional Effectiveness), Laurent Simon (Undergraduate Studies), Marybeth Boger (Dean of Students), Sotirios Ziavras (Graduate Studies)
5. Approval of the September 28, 2021 Meeting Minutes
Motion to approve the minutes by D. Blackmore and seconded by E. Thomas. Minutes were approved unanimously.
6. Report of the Faculty Senate President
A. Rosato gave his report:
 - All future meetings will be virtual via WebEx
 - Extending Distinguished Professor Committee Term to 3 Years-vote will occur at the 10/20 IFM
 - Election Buddy presentation at 10/20 IFM and will have mock election at last Oct. meeting
 - Faculty Senate Committee Reports status update
 - Faculty Senate Nominees for Search Committee for Vice Provost of Enrollment Management and Student Services submitted to Provost's Office
 - Soliciting Comments to be submitted to the Dean of Students Office
7. Update on TAC (Fadi Deek)
Provost Deek gave his report on Updates to TAC. Last year, issues to the TAC were mentioned and the Provost's Office did a full review of the TAC documents. All changes are compiled together. CSLA has approved TAC documents in all departments, MTSM has a good TAC document, NCE will go back to their TAC later this year, HCAD will take their TAC up again, and YWCC still needs to work on their TAC documents. Q&A with discussion followed.

8. Report from CFRR (Amit Bose)
Amit Bose gave his update from CFRR on NJIT-Tatweer Agreement. Topics included: Branch campuses will require major Faculty Handbook changes and other ambiguous issues related to NJIT-Tatweer Agreement such as Role of Executive Director at Tatweer, hiring practices, admissions, intellectual property, accreditation, and terms & conditions of employment. Q&A with discussion followed.
9. Presidential Process Update (Anthony Rosato)
A. Rosato gave an update on the Presidential process. Action Item: The Executive Committee of the Faculty Senate strongly recommends that a letter be sent immediately to the Board of Trustees expressing the need to have finalists visit campus and to allow university stakeholders an opportunity to interact with them. Q&A with discussion. Motion: Send Revised letter to Board of The Executive Committee to send revised letter to the Board of Trustees that includes wording from the draft of the Middle States Self Study and the Faculty Handbook. Motion to approve by Y. Perl and seconded by A. Borgaonkar. The motion passed with 25 yes, 1 no, and 2 abstentions.
10. CUE Report (David Hornthrop)
BS in Business (Accounting concentration): Motion to approve by D. Hornthrop and seconded by A. Rosato. Motion was approved.
BS in Business (Financial Technology concentration): Motion to approve by D. Hornthrop and seconded by A. Rosato. Motion was approved.
BA in Computer Science: Motion to approve by D. Hornthrop and seconded by A. Rosato. Motion was approved.
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BS in Computing and Business: Motion to approve by D. Hornthrop and seconded by A. Rosato. Motion was approved.
11. Committee on Academic Assessment Report (Jeremy Reich)
Jeremy Reich gave his presentation on the Committee on Academic Assessment Report. Topics included: Current Status and Next Steps and Questions for the Committee to Discuss & Resolve. Other Items of Note: Aligned assessment activities not under the purview of the committee and Middle States Self Study community review to end on October 15.
12. New Business
N. Maher asked about Sabbatical Recommendations. M. Bandelt, who is on the Committee, responded that they are still looking at the recommendations.
13. The Meeting ended at 1:22PM. Motion to adjourn by A. Rosato and seconded by D. Blackmore.