Minutes of the Faculty Senate Meeting
December 14, 2021
WebEx, 11:30 AM–1:30 PM


Guests Present: Laurent Simon (Undergraduate Studies), Sotirios Ziavras (Graduate Studies), Burcak Ozludil (Honors College), Cesar Bandera (MTSM), Melodi Guilbault (MTSM), Alan Yan (MTSM), Blake Haggerty (Digital Learning), Amitabha Bose (Mathematical Sciences), Jeremy Reich (OIE), Dale McLeod (Human Resources), Wayne Fox (MTSM)

1. Convening of the meeting
   The meeting started at 11:35am

2. Approval of the Minutes of the Nov. 23rd, 2021 Meeting
   Approved unanimously

3. Report of the Faculty Senate President

4. Honors College (L. Hamilton) Presentation

5. Survey Results – Best Places to Work (D. McLeod)
   Questions and discussion followed. A. Rosato asked if the survey results could be re-analyzed by splitting the faculty and staff as separate results. D. McLeod mentioned findings that were not positive and indicated that a committee would be formed to address the issues. A. Rosato suggested that he reach out to the FS to solicit nominations for faculty members on the committee.

6. CUE Report
   Motion by D. Horntrop to update the Forensic Science program as approved by CUE. Seconded and approved unanimously.

7. Revised GRE Waiver Motion (CGE)
   A. Gerbessiotis motion to approve. D. Bunker seconded. Motion was approved unanimously.

8. Credit by Exam Motion (CGE)
   Amendments made need updated language from Sotiri. S. Ziaviras motion to approve. D. Blackmore seconded. Motion approved (17 yes, 5 no, 3 abstained)

In limited situations, assessment of a student’s prior learning may allow the transfer of up to six graduate credits in specific master-level programs. Approval by the pertinent Dean (in consultation with the program director) is needed. CBE/CBP and courses transferred from other universities cannot account for more than nine credits total. Rigorous credit-by-exam (CBE) or credit-by-portfolio (CBP) administered by the student’s academic program assesses knowledge acquired professionally or through non-credit professional
development courses. The transferred course(s) will not affect the student’s CGPA. The corresponding college dean will provide oversight of the CBE/CBP process to ensure consistency and integrity of the assessment process and criteria. CBP applies only to MTSM.

9. Revised Policy: Eligibility for Graduate Faculty Status (CGE)
   S. Ziavras motion to approve. D. Blackmore seconded. Questions and discussion followed. Motion approved (1 abstention).

10. PhD in Biology Program Revision (CGE)
    S. Ziavras motion to approve. D. Blackmore seconded. Motion approved unanimously.

11. New Business
    A. Rosato announced his resignation as Faculty Senate President.

12. Adjournment
    Motion to adjourn, seconded. Meeting ended at 1:30pm