

MINUTES
FACULTY SENATE COMMITTEE ON UNIVERSITY PLANNING
Monday, September 3rd, 2020; 3:30-5 pm
Zoom meeting ID: 736 339 996

Attendees: Geraldine Craig, Cyreathia Reyer, Eric Shappee, Brad Behnke (Chair), Daniel Ireton (Chair), Tanya González, Robert Hachiya, Valarie Barnett, Duane Dunn

1. The meeting was called to order by Brad Behnke at 3:30 pm
2. Tanya González moved to approve the June 29th FSCOUP minutes and those minutes were approved.
3. Committee requests: Volunteers from FSCOUP are needed to serve on several committees, including a) the City University Special funds committee, and b) the Classroom planning committee. For the City University Special funds committee: three names were requested to provide to the city of Manhattan by September 4th. It was discussed that, with the large commitment of funds to the north corridor for the foreseeable future, there would be limited availability of funds for other projects. It appeared that committee met once last year. *Update:* no volunteers for this committee; therefore, Brad will serve as primary and Dan will be back up. B) Classroom Planning Committee: Laurel Littrell from FSCOUP served on that committee last year, and Dan Ireton gave a brief review on the scope of that committee, i.e., discussing centrally controlled classrooms around campus, renovations and equity in use for such spaces. Historically, that committee member provided information to FSCOUP regarding justification for renovations, changing room capacities, etc. A volunteer was sought to serve on that committee.
4. Faculty Senate Agenda for 2020-21
 - A. The agenda for Faculty senate was circulated among FSOUP members to discuss and determine where FSCOUP can contribute.
 - Advance Diversity Initiates. Past-President González summarized the multiple groups and projects working on these issues across campus.
 - Participate in and advocate for faculty and staff in the Covid 19 planning process. Concerns were brought forth regarding the period (days) that faculty were given to determine the modality of instruction for their courses for the Spring 2021 semester. It was not clear why more time was not provided to make such decisions. It was acknowledged that the pandemic is requiring decisions be made rapidly. FSCOUP will send correspondence imploring administration to provide as much time/flexibility as possible to faculty and staff

to make such decisions in the future. Further, that shared governance and transparency are needed in those decision-making processes.

- Advocate for dependent tuition for term employees. There was discussion and concern regarding the loss of benefits when an employee is placed on a term contract.
- Budget review process: RSCAD is not an activity component of the current budget model and discussions on the importance of promoting RSCAD and integrating research related income into the budget model continued. Some of the activities of the Facilities and Administration task force were mentioned, in that the VPR and task force will be holding college town halls to discuss F&A (old SRO) distribution policy at KSU, and feedback received from other peer-institutes on their distributions. It was agreed that it is critical to reward RSCAD activity at KSU as part of the budget model and FSCOUP would like to play a role in the budget review process. FSCOUP will work with CCOPS to provide communication regarding feedback on the impact of the budget model.
- University handbook updates: There is little guidance on the use of SRO and DRA funds by faculty and FSOUP felt they could play a role in updating the handbook on this issue.

5. The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 pm.

Next meeting: 10/1/2020