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Academic Senate Newsletter

If you have any announcements or other items for the newsletter please email: Jeanne.Grier@csuci.edu. Items are needed by noon on the Thursday preceding Senate. Messages can include text, links to websites, videos, and more!

Senate Materials for April 8th

In an effort to reduce email clutter and give you a spot for one shot downloads, the agenda, minutes, and other materials for our next senate meeting can be found [here](#) or copy and paste the following link into your browser: <http://senate.csuci.edu/meeting-materials/040814/index.htm>.

In continuing business, we have one item, SP 13-10 a revision of SP 08-08 Policy on Withdrawal. This revision provides criteria for "Serious and Compelling" reasons as well as updating the policy to define deadlines for courses offered other than in the 16-week format.

As this is the penultimate senate meeting, we have six first reading items on our agenda in anticipation of a vote at our final meeting at the end of April. Faculty Affairs Committee submits two policies for consideration. The first is "Student Opinion of Teaching Survey" that would supercede SR 08-01 and SP07-19 and replace the current Student Ratings of Teaching (SRT). The second is "Policy on Mode of Instruction" aims to clarify the process for changing the mode of instruction of individual courses. The three other policies we see are from Research and Sponsored Programs and are needed for compliance at various levels. These are new policies that are also going through the President's Policy and Planning Council, and have been seen there as first reading items. These policies are "testing" our new routing system for policies that have both faculty "academic" and university "administrative" implications. Changes made in either body will need to be reconciled with the other so we result in a single policy. The final item for first reading is the 2017-2018 Academic Calendar.

Announcements

CI Learn Support will be in Del Norte Lobby before and after Senate for faculty to ask questions regarding the use of CI Learn suite of tools (Blackboard, VoiceThread, Turnitin, etc....). Immediate help for quick questions as well as the opportunity to set up an appointment for further information will be available.

Announcements from the Committee on Committees:

Keep an eye out for the call for nominations for Senate Standing and Advisory Committees. This call will go out early next week. Please consider stepping up and sharing the workload with your colleagues.

Elections for Senate Executive Committee Officer positions and Senate Standing/Advisory committees will be held concurrently with Senate Committee Elections during the last week of April (April 21-25th)

Any questions and comments should be directed to Committee on Committee co-chairs Colleen Delaney (colleen.delaney@csuci.edu) and Ruben Alarcon (ruben.alarcon@csuci.edu).

Announcement about University Committees

In addition to the above elections, there will soon be a call to participate on University Committees. Many of these committees have variable meeting schedules but I'll do my best to have meeting times available. Senate Executive Officers make recommendations to the President after reviewing all volunteers. Tenure track faculty and lecturers, who are teaching 6WTU or more in the fall are eligible to volunteer.

Community Time on April 8th

Announcements from the Committee on Committees:

Please join us for the **2pm Community time on April 8th** as the nominees for **Academic Senate Executive Officer** positions share their platforms with the academic senate community. Come ask questions and get some answers!

The Ballot:

Senate Chair
Virgil Adams
Jeanne Grier

Vice Chair
Stephen Clark

Secretary
Cindy Wyels