

Minutes of the Academic Senate

Martin V. Smith Decision Center Tuesday, April 16, 2024; 2:30-4:30pm

Present: Abbasi, Andrzejewski, Avila, Avila, Barton, Berkowski, Caravello, Chavarria, Chen, Clobes, Collazo, County, Deans, DeGraffenreid, Denton, Dixon, Estrada, Fitzpatrick, Forest, Francois, Grove, Guerrero, Guzman, Hampton, Harris, Hasendonckx, Itkonen, Jenkins, Kee-Rose, Lavariega Monforti, Lefevre, LeRoy, Andrzejewski, Avila, Wood, DeGraftenreid, Luna, Matera, McClellan, McColpin, Miller, Navarrete, Pereira, Profant, Reilly, Rivas, Scholl, Sherman, Smith, Swan-Wood, Weis, White, Wood, Wyels, and Yalcin

Absent: Anderson, Castillo, Correia, DeHart, Edwards, Folk-Farber, Ford Turnbow, Grzegorczyk, Jiménez, Leafstedt, McGrath, Neto, Nichols, Perchuk, Rex, and Yao

Guests: Benedetti-Coomber, Buhl, Clark, Connel, Cullins, Delacalle, Dominguez, Elder, Ernesto, Flores, Hunt, Kelly, Lamb, Le, Meriwether, Pacheco, Paolillo, Perry, Pinkley, Quintanilla Salinas, Quiroz, Raymond, Robles, Slocum, Tollefson, and Zivot

AGFNDA

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Minor in Health Science (SP 23-17)

1. Opening the Meeting

The Chair opened the meeting at 2:35pm when quorum was reached.

The Chair reminded the body how the Consent Agenda works. Expecting active participation in the meeting, the Chair reminded the body how deliberation works in a meeting of the Senate. The Chair also announced that the bylaws require a roll call vote to pass a policy or resolution but allows other methods of voting for other motions, so today we will attempt to use a vote by show of hands (where those on Zoom use the 'raise hands' function of the software).

2. Approval of the Agenda

Weis moved to adopt the agenda. Clobes seconded. Wood made a motion to amend the agenda by adding as item (5h) a Resolution of Censure. McKellen seconded. The motion was accepted by unanimous consent. The agenda was approved by unanimous consent.

Consequently, the body approved the Minor in Health Science (SP 23-17).

3. Approval of the Minutes from April 2, 2024.

Francois moved to approve the minutes. Swan-Wood seconded. The minutes were approved by unanimous consent.

4. Report from the Chair

The Chair reminded Senators that they can find a survey from the Administrator Review Committee in their email inbox. The Chair also told the body he will be submitted a request to the provost for support for faculty work on Senate projects over the summer including institutionalization of Senate and documentation; General Education adjustments; CEAR/FAC on GPS/PPS etc. to ready for Fall; adjustments to Curriculum policies and procedures (APPC, APCI); Senate Budget Committee and new program review processes; revisions to Senate Bylaws: prepare for Fall; reconnoiter Mission Centers Bylaws, policies, procedures; Retreat for incoming and outgoing academic leadership and administration on July 12th.

5. New Business

5a. First Reading: BS in Data Science (SP 23-XX)

Caravello moved to accept as a first reading item. Barton seconded. Dr. Buhl (Mathematics) introduced the proposed major; his slide deck is attached to the minutes.

5b. First Reading: Add Policy (SAPP, SP 23-XX)

Dixon moved to accept as a first reading item. Swan-Wood seconded. Dr. Rivas introduced the proposed policy.

5. First Reading: Policy on Course Withdrawls (SAPP, SP 23-XX)

Francois moved to accept as a first reading item. White seconded. Ms. Forest introduced the proposed policy.

5d. First Reading: Policy on Credit for Prior Learning (SAPP, SP 23-XX)

Barton moved to accept as a first reading item. Swan-Wood seconded. Ms. Forest introduced the proposed policy.

5e. First Reading: Policy on Academic Administrator Reviews, Revised (ARC, SP 23-XX)

Swan-Wood moved to accept as a first reading item. Collazo seconded. Dr. Meriwether (History) introduced the proposed policy.

5f. First Reading: Senate Resolution on Early Alert (SR 23-XX)

Francois moved to accept as a first reading item. Collazo seconded. Ms. Navarette introduced the proposed policy.

5g. First Reading: Unit Bylaws Policy (CEAR, SP 23-XX)

Wood moved to accept as a first reading item. Lafevre seconded. Dr. Francois (History) and Dr. Swan-Wood introduced the proposed policy; their slide deck is attached to the minutes.

5h. First Reading: Resolution of Censure (Wood, SR 23-XX)

Caravello moved to accept as a first reading item. Wood seconded. Dr. Wood introduced the proposed resolution. Copies of the resolution did not reach all senators until after the meeting.

6. Returning Business

6a. Second Reading: Policy on Office Hours (SP 23-16)

The body deliberated on the policy. Barton made a motion to amend the policy by striking items 1 thru 4 in section A and adding language that allows a unit to set its own requirements for the number of office hours of its members. Deans raised a point of order, pointing out that a very similar amendment was proposed and failed at the April 2 meeting of Senate. The Chair agreed and ruled the motion to amend out of order.

Caravello moved to Call the Question. Wood seconded. The Chair called for a vote by a show of hands.

Caravello made a motion to extend the meeting by 5 minutes. The second was made but by whom was not recorded. The motion was accepted by unanimous consent.

Upon voting, 24 Senators votes Yes and 4 Senators voted No, so the motion to call the question passed. Chair Miller proceeded with a roll call vote to approve the policy.

With 26 Senators voting Yes, 10 Senators voting No, and 7 Senators Abstaining from the vote, the policy was approved.

Yes: Anderson, Avila, Berkowski, Chavarria, Chen, Clobes, County, Deans, Dixon, Estrada, Francois, Itkonen, Jiménez, Kee-Rose, Lefevre, Luna, McColpin, Navarrete, Pereira, Rivas, Smith, Swan-Wood, Weis, White, Wood, and Wyels

No: Abbasi, Barton, Caravello, Denton, Harris, McClellan, Profant, Scholl, Sherman, and Yalcin

Abstain: Castillo, Collazo, Edwards, Fitzpatrick, Forest, Matera, and Quiroz

At 4:35pm, Francois made a motion to adjourn and Collazo seconded. The motion was accepted by unanimous consent, and the Chair adjourned the meeting at 4:36pm.