

University Senate Meeting
Wednesday, May 22, 2019
3:00-5:00pm
EMU – Crater Lake Rooms

1. Call to order: 3:05pm

1.1 Introductory Remarks; Senate President Bill Harbaugh

- Remarks included comments about faculty tracking software, Tykeson Hall, and senate elections.
- Harbaugh is not running for VP

2. Approval of Minutes: 3:15pm

Motion to approve minutes from [May 8, 2019](#).

Motion passes unanimously by a show of hands.

3. Business / Reports: 3:16pm

3.1 Deactivation of Ombuds committee; Heather Quarles

- The Ombuds Committee is unanimously asking the Committee on Committees to dissolve or deactivate the Ombuds Committee.
- Hearing no objections, no one will be appointed to the Ombuds Committee for the coming school year in anticipation of its deactivation/dissolution.

3.2 Report: Faculty Personnel Committee; Jack Boss (Music)

- Gave an overview of the work they have done.
- Description of recurring problems with external reviews, department expectations, co-authorship, course evaluations, and the lack of an expedited process at the associate level.
- Q&A including questions about external review letters, the expedited tenure process, and the selection of external reviewers.

3.3 Report: Online Education; Carol Gering

- Description of current state of online education at UO, including inconsistencies and insufficiencies of recourses.
- Two purposes of online courses: helping undergrads towards degree completion, and fully online graduate programs.
- Currently looking into potential online graduate programs.
- Q&A including a question accessing information from the presentation online.

3.4 Vote: [US18/19-18: Enhancing Engagement in Academic Governance](#); Elizabeth Skowron (Psychology, Senate VP)

- Moved and Seconded, seeing no discussion the question was called
- **Motion passes unanimously by a show of hands.**

3.5 Discuss/postpone: [US18/19-20: Policy on Hiring and Promotion of Academic Administrators](#); Bill Harbaugh (Economics, Senate President)

- Motion to postpone until the first senate meeting in the fall.
- Passes unanimously by a show of hands.

3.6 Legislative Update; Melanie Muenzer (Assoc VP Vice Provost of Academic Initiatives)

Highlights:

- Oregon Student Success Act passed.
- Oregon Office of Economic Analysis released their forecast.
- Senate Bill 3 will probably pass.

3.7 Senate VP Elections: solicitation of self-nominees, election process, compensation; Elizabeth Skowron (Psychology, Senate Vice President)

- The next senate meeting on June 5th will have the vote for incoming senate vice president
- You can nominate up until the last minute, but please have candidate statements in by next Wednesday so that they can be posted.
- Any and only faculty can run.
- The award ceremony will also be at the next senate meeting.
- Q&A including question on having someone to stand in to vote for you if you can't make it.

3.8 Report: Potential CAS reorg task force; Karen Ford

- Report was submitted last night and should be posted Friday.
- Q&A with the only question asking what the report says.

3.9 Vote: US18/19-19: Core Ed Distribution Requirements; Chris Sinclair (Mathematics)

- Title should be "Changes to General Limitations of Bachelors Degrees"
- Went over changes to the changes and the reasons for them.
- Motion to amend to change 2.1 3. c. to say "Performance in music (in the subject code MUP), except for majors in music;"
- After discussion, amendment passed unanimously by a show of hands.
- Motion to amend to change 2.1 11. To say "Students may not receive credit for courses that are designated by the department, and approved by the senate, as regressive prerequisites for courses in which they are currently enrolled or have already received credit."
- After discussion, amendment passed unanimously by a show of hands.
- There was desire to change 2.1 10. However, it was agreed that those changes could be pursued after the motion was passed, so as not to delay the motion.
- Motion to close debate passed by show of hands.
- **Vote on Core Ed Distribution Requirements**
- **Motion passes unanimously by a show of hands.**

4. Other Business

4.1 Executive Session: Awards

- Non senators were asked to leave, and senate went into closed executive session.

5. Adjourns: 5:01pm