CAS Faculty Senate Meeting - November 17, 2014

Meeting Minutes


The CAS Administrative Assistant was not present.

Agenda

1. Consent Agenda
   A. Approval of the agenda

      President Fox called the meeting to order at 4:01 PM. Dean Watson asked if a Senator would make a motion to amend the agenda to place his comments to the end of the meeting. A motion was made, seconded, and the agenda was amended. The amended agenda was approved unanimously.

   B. Approval of minutes from the October meeting

      The minutes were approved without change.

2. President's Remarks (Alan Fox)

      President Fox stated that the ad hoc Bylaws committee was working hard and making numerous changes, which necessitates open hearings to discuss these potential changes. There are several issues that need to be discussed before a complete draft is considered. One thing is that there will need to be a Parliamentarian.

3. Dean's Comments (George Watson)

      Occurred at end of meeting before Introduction of New Business. Dean Watson asked for Senators’ help in having faculty fill out the online survey of the CNTT Commission, which will have an important role in shaping discussion by the Commission.

4. New Business

   A. Budget Committee Update
Was discussed at end of meeting during Introduction of New Business.

5. Ed Affairs
   A. **FLLT Add Minor Game Studies**
      This proposal confused a major with a minor and used terminology for a major instead of a minor. The proposal will need appropriate revision. A better core rationale was requested and an explanation of why it will be offered by FLLT. Discussion ensued about the inherent interdisciplinary nature of the minor (and a potential major) and that it could be studied in a cultural context and, hence, its appropriateness for FLLT. The proposal was voted to refer back to the department for revision before Senate action in December.
   B. **Revise Minor French**
      This was considered with the Italian Minor in item W. They passed unanimously.
   C. **Revise Minor Fren Studies**
      Passed unanimously.
   D. **Revise PhD Linguistics**
      This proposal was revised as discussed in the October Senate meeting. The concern about sole authorship was not changed. Passed unanimously.
   E. **Revise MM Voice Concentration**
      Considered together were items E, G, H, and I because same changes were being proposed. Passed unanimously.
   F. **Revise MM Teaching**
      Passed unanimously.
   G. **Revise MM Performance Keyboard**
      Considered with item E.
   H. **Revise MM Performance Non-Keyboard**
      Considered with item E.
   I. **Revise MM Conducting**
      Considered with item E.
   J. **Revise MM Composition**
      Passed unanimously.
   K. **Revise MA Sociology China Dual Degree Program**
      Considered with item L. Passed unanimously.
   L. **Revise MA Criminology China Dual Degree Program**
      Considered with item K. Passed unanimously.
   M. **Add New 4+1 BS/MA: Organizational & Community Leadership and Public Policy**
      Considered with item N. Passed unanimously.
   N. **Add New 4+1 BS/MPA: Organizational & Community Leaders and Public Administration**
      Considered with item M. Passed unanimously.
   O. **Revise PhD DISA**
      Passed unanimously.
   P. **Revise Minor Material Culture Studies**
      Passed unanimously.
   Q. **CEEP:ENEP Permanent Status**
      Effective date in resolution should be “2015” instead of “2014.” Passed unanimously with revised date in resolution to “2015.”
R.  Revise BA FLL Three Languages
   Passed unanimously.
S.  Revise BA Linguistics
   Passed unanimously.
T.  Revise BS in Neuroscience
   Passed unanimously.
U.  Add Minor Neuroscience
   Passed unanimously.
V.  Revise MA Urban Affairs & Public Policy
   Passed unanimously.
W.  Revise FLL Italian Minor
   Considered with item B., and passed.

6.  Introduction of New Business

   Senator Morrison made a motion (and passed out copies) to create a standing
   CAS Senate Budget Committee to promote transparency in allocating
   resources in the college. It also will allow faculty to have input into budget
   issues within the college to improve the budgetary process. The committee
   would report back to the CAS Senate at least once per year. The resolution
   was co-sponsored by Senators M. Carper, S. Cherrin, T. Davis, L. Duggan, D.
   Galileo, M. Greene, E. Gutman, B. Haslett, A. Hayes, A. Hestvik, S. Luff, R.
   Mathee, J. Morgan, P. Roe, E. Salo, and D. Young.

   Senators should provide any feedback to Senator Morrison for a final version to
   be on the December agenda. It was stated that members of the committee
   could be any full-time CAS faculty.

   Senator Luff asked if there could be a graduate student member on the
   committee and this was well received.

   Senator Morgan brought up the topic of Steering Committee meetings before
   each Senate meeting, namely would 1 week or 2 weeks beforehand be
   adequate time for Senators to consider the agenda. Senator Morgan pointed
   out that until about 5 years ago, the agenda went out 1 week in advance, but
   then it was changed to 2 weeks in advance. President Fox took an advisory
   vote as to whether or not Senators needed 2 weeks to consider the agenda. A
   strong majority voted for the agenda to be posted 1 week before the Senate
   meeting.

   There was a motion to adjourn, a second and a positive vote. The meeting
   adjourned at 4:48 PM.

   Minutes prepared by Deni S. Galileo, CAS Senate Secretary.
WHEREAS both the University Faculty Senate and the central university administration have clearly expressed their desire to have a transparent budget system in which faculty can play major roles in decisions regarding the allocation of resources based on accurate budgetary data; and

WHEREAS the College of Arts and Sciences Faculty Senate provides an important forum for faculty from all academic units in the College to have input into decisions that can affect, positively or negatively, the quality of its academic programs; and

WHEREAS for the past several years there have been chronic uncertainties and difficulties in the budgets of the College of Arts and Sciences and the academic units within it, which have had significant negative effects on academic programs, especially plans to hire new faculty and maintain adequate support for graduate students,

BE IT RESOLVED that a standing 5-member College of Arts and Sciences Budget Committee be constituted, consisting of one faculty member from each of the 4 current portfolios within the College who shall be nominated annually for renewable one-year terms by the College of Arts and Sciences Committee on Committees and Nominations and confirmed by majority vote of the College of Arts and Sciences Faculty Senate, and a chair elected annually by secret ballot by the College of Arts and Sciences Faculty Senate. This committee shall be charged with providing timely prospective advice to the Dean of the College on budgetary matters, and providing regular reports to the College of Arts and Sciences Faculty Senate with suggestions for addressing budgetary issues as they arise.

Proposed by Jim Morrison (School of Public Policy & Administration)

Cosponsored by:

Martha Carper (Fashion & Apparel Studies)
Ted Davis (Political Science & International Relations, At-large Senator)
Larry Duggan (History, At-large Senator)
Deni Galileo (Biological Sciences, At-large Senator, & Secretary of the CAS Faculty Senate)
Mark Greene (Philosophy)
Eynat Gutman (Jewish Studies)
Beth Haslett (Communication, At-large Senator)
Adele Hayes (Psychological & Brain Sciences)
Arild Hestvik (Linguistics & Cognitive Science)
Stephanie Luff (Graduate Student Association)
Rudi Matthee (History)
John Morgan (Physics & Astronomy, & Chair of the CAS COCAN)
Peter Roe (Anthropology)
Dannagal Young (Communication)