Minutes of the CAS Senate meeting, April 17, 2017, 4 p.m., 104 Gore Hall


Absent: K. Jasinska, M. Khan, G. Watson

Also present: D. Doren

Agenda

I. The meeting was called to order by President Morrison at 4:02 p.m. after it was determined that there was now a quorum of at least 22 senators.

II. The agenda was unanimously approved.

III. The minutes of the Senate meeting on March 20 were approved, save for (1) the corrections proffered by J. Morgan and (2) the request of J. Oestreich that the recording of the 23-minute presentation given by P. Hermance on the Delaware Teachers Institute be included as part of the permanent record of that Senate meeting.

IV. The remarks of President Morrison

A. The date of the last Senate meeting of the semester is changed to May 22 at 4 in deference to the Dean’s Celebration of the College during the past year to be held on May 15.

B. Accordingly, the next meeting of the Executive Committee will be changed to Monday, May 8, at 3 p.m. in the Dean’s Conference Room.

C. J. Morgan asked about the possible visit of President Assanis to the Senate at the May meeting.

V. Committee reports

A. COCAN (J. Morgan, chair)

1. Standing CAS committees

   a. P&T: There are now no vacancies on this committee, whose membership has been enlarged to 9; but all must be formally elected by the Senate.

   b. All members of the Educational Affairs Committee will continue to serve.

   c. There is still no CAS representative to serve on the University Faculty Senate COCAN committee.

2. The various slots on the new Faculty Morale Committee are gradually being filled. A representative from the Arts portfolio is proving hard to find.

3. The online election of three new At-Large senators will proceed soon now that a sufficient number of candidates has been found (5).

4. At the May meeting the Senate will be asked to elect a new President-Elect, Secretary, and COCAN chair.

B. Educational Affairs Committee (A. Barrier, chair)
1. Discussion continued from the last meeting about the Fashion Management proposal (originally Fashion Business Management, which encountered implacable and indefatigable opposition from the Business School).

2. The great matter of the Second Writing Requirement is being taken up for extensive reflection and discussion by the committee, which will report its conclusions to the full Senate either in May or in the Fall. There ensued some discussion, with remarks from J. Morgan, P. Mink, and J. Martin.

VI. Dean’s remarks: The Dean being absent, Deputy Dean Doren announced in his stead the holding of the very first Education Partnership Academy on May 22 from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

VII. Old Business
   A. The discussion of the issue of interdisciplinary research collaboration for faculty in the College, which had begun in the previous Senate meeting, was resumed now that its sponsor, S. Kaufman, was present and able to lead the profitable 20-minute exchange which ensued.

VIII. New business: none.
IX. Introduction of New Business: none.
X. Adjournment was declared at 5:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lawrence G. J. Duggan

Secretary