

MINUTES OF
FACULTY SENATE MEETING
February 21, 2017

The fourth Faculty Senate meeting of the 2016-2017 academic year was called to order by Prof. Fernando Guzman, Mathematics, at 11:45 am.

1. Announcements

Prof. Fernando Guzman welcomed replacement Senators and those Senators back from leave.

2. Minutes

After no discussion, the minutes of the December 6, 2016 meeting were approved as submitted.

3. Annual Reports of 2015-2016 Faculty Senate standing committees and other committees

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- e. Faculty Athletic Representative, Prof. Shelley Dionne reported that the FAR monitors athletic eligibility, academic performance, and compliance of NCAA standards. We had a record setting GPA in Spring 2016, the 21st consecutive semester with GPA average over 3.0. Last year we hosted a Hackathon with 150 participants.
- f. Intercollegiate Athletics Board ±Mr. Terry Kane, chair of the IAB, reported that the IAB met two times last year to review the Athletics operating budget, scholarship, NCAA revenue distribution, student fees, and compliance in Athletics. The IAB also discussed private contributions to Athletics and how to use the funds, and an overview of Athletics handling of student misconduct. IAB agendas and minutes can be found on their website.
- g. Committee on Committees ±Prof. Candace Mulcahy reported that this committee fills committees. Prof. Mulcahy is the new chair, who has taken over for Caryl Ward, who is still on the committee. The committee refers to the faculty interest survey to fill committees, and the committee has found that the response rate to this survey is very low. The ConC would appreciate Senators encouraging colleagues to fill out survey. The EOP committee now has two co-

Prof. Tessman, chair of Diversity Committee, noted that the Diversity Committee is in agreement with this resolution.

Prof. Leslie Gates, Sociology, thanked the FSEC for the resolution and noted that it is important to support this. SUNY Albany has voiced their support for the petition to make SUNY ORFDWLRQV 6DQFWXDU\ & DPS X932 signatories on the petition. Prof. D O V R Guzman noted that, as shown in our resolution, if this resolution is approved, the Senate instructs the Senate Chair to sign the SUNY petition. Prof. Guzman also noted that the executive orders of January 25 and 27, 2017 is a very fluid situation and these executive orders have been revised again today. A lot of attention has been given to the January 27 executive order (access to seven countries) and less attention to other resolution of January 25, 2017 for undocumented immigrants. We do not know how many SUNY students are undocumented immigrants. It was also noted that there may be many people who may have documents but may be at risk of being deported. With the expanded definition and expanded use of expedited removal, low level immigrant officers can deport immigrants, not just undocumented immigrants.

After no discussion, this motion was approved by a unanimous vote with 1 opposed, 1 abstention.

After no more business, the meeting adjourned at 12:40 pm.

Present: Nancy Abashian, Laura Anderson, Serdar Atav, Anne Brady, Cassandra Bransford, Elizabeth Casteen, George Catalano, Manas Chatterji, Zu Yan Chen, Junghyun Cho, Leon Cosler, Nikolay Dimitrov, Carmen Ferradas, Heather Fiumera, Mark Fowler, Leslie Gates, Arianna Gerstein, Thomas Goodheart, Joseph Graney, Robert Guay, Fernando Guzman, Colleen Hailey, Christopher Hanes, Brendan Hennessey, Sharon Holmes, James Jentsch, Changhong Ke, Titilayo, Kristina Lambright, Leslie Lander, Dennis Lasser, Richard Lee, Carl Lipo, Tongshu0 1 447.6d,5(st)-4Filpsl BT 87.6att