

The meeting was called to order at 4:11 p.m. All departments were in attendance except Counseling & Human Development, Educational Foundations, Interdisciplinary Studies, and Library.

I. Minutes of previous meeting

An R. Baker/Halawa motion to amend the minutes so the motion regarding the curriculum framework reads “to endorse submission of a curricular framework for a BS

Chair Walsh reminded faculty of the opportunities to attend the presidential inauguration and graduations in regalia and participate in International Women's Day event.

IV. Report of the APSCUF President

None

V. Report of the Student Government Association

- (1) (GEOG035) GEOG 408: Sustainable Development, 3 credits, D, P. Proposal for new course.
- (2) (COMT029) Strategic Public Relations, minor. Proposal outlining a new minor.
- (3) (ENGL060) ENGL 481: History of Film. Proposal to add D and G1 designations.
- (4) (GEOG037) GEOG 202: Environmental Sustainability. Proposal to change course title and description.
- (5) (BIOL014) BS, Biology: Respiratory Therapy option. Proposal to change required courses.

IX. Reports of the Faculty Senate Standing Committees

Senator Cook presented proposed changes to the Educator of the Year Award Selection Committee bylaws. The proposal reflects the charge to Joint Senate Conference Committee to provide oversight to EYASC, designating the Faculty Senate Chair Pro Tempore as non-voting EYASC chair. These changes should provide continuity in organization so that EYASC members can focus on selection of the awardee each year.

Senator Cook presented proposed changes to the Joint Senate Conference Committee bylaws. The proposal clarifies the charge of Joint Senate Conference Committee, including oversight of EYASC, and adds a graduate student representative.

Senator C. Smith shared that GERC has developed a 1-2-year plan for reviewing General Education. Due to difficulties that arose during the last major review, Dr. Smith requested some clarification about how the final proposal would be reviewed and expectations for voting.

Dr. Tiffany Wright distributed a proposed change to the Clinical Competency Review policy. She also noted that the graduate open house has been rescheduled and feedback on graduate student writing needs are still being collected.

Dr. Aaron Haines requested that 500-level graduate courses qualify as an H designation for students earning a B- or higher. He noted that Honors College students would need to follow the current process for admission to graduate courses.

X. Reports of the Faculty Senate Special Committees

None

XI. Faculty Emeriti

A Wagner/A. Miller motion that Dr. Jean G. Boal be granted the honorary title of Professor of Biology Emeritus was approved without dissent.

A Wagner/Cook motion that Dr. Timothy I. Ladd be granted the honorary title of Associate Professor of Biology Emeritus was approved without dissent.

XII. Elections

The following departments were reminded to conduct elections for senator and alternate for 2019-2022: ACFN, ESCI, ECON, IDST (2020), PHYS, PSYC, WSSD. Committee elections will be held during the two April meetings of Faculty Senate.

XIII. New Business

Ms. Alison Hutchinson reminded faculty that TAP numbers are available for advising. Senator Sciarretta reported 55% of faculty used Early Alert in fall. He also recommended faculty participate in Advisement Bootcamp where a panel will be sharing strategies they use for advising. Mr. Sciarretta also noted that localized student success centers are being developed to enhance student access to advising support.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:52 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Aimee L. Miller
Faculty Senate Secretary

Action Summary:

An R. Baker/Halawa motion to amend the minutes so the motion regarding the curriculum framework reads “to endorse submission of a curricular framework for a BS in Sports Administration degree to PASSHE” was approved without dissent.

The minutes of the February 19, 2019 meeting of the Faculty Senate were approved as amended.

- (6) (AEST023) ITEC 322: Transportation and Robotics. Proposal to change course name and number, add pre-requisites, and update description and objectives was approved without dissent.
- (7) (EDUC021) EDUC 403: Cultural Diversity: Pluralism in Society. Proposal to change name, course description, and pre-requisites, drop W label, and add P label was approved without dissent.
- (8) (CSCI010) BS, Computer Science. Proposal to change program requirements was approved without dissent.
- (9) (HIST024) Military Science minor. Proposal for new minor was approved without dissent.

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