



SGA President Tintera reported on Coffee & Concerns, a planned safety walk around campus with the Mayor of Millersville, attendance at a conference for student government presidents, and meetings with campus organizations.

VI. Report of the Graduate Student Association

None

VII. Report of the Administrative Officers

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President Wubah noted that his listening tours will begin to include departmental visits. He thanked faculty for meeting with prospective students during Open House events. Dr. Wubah urged faculty to participate in commencement to celebrate the achievement of students and announced that 100 robes will be made available for faculty who have found that expense to be a barrier. A concern was raised about students participating in graduation although grades are not finalized and students may still have courses to complete. It was noted that December graduation is intended for undergraduate students completing degrees in fall and winter while May graduation is intended for those in spring and summer. Graduate commencement is held only once in May.

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Provost Prabhu highlighted that faculty who respond with plans to attend a graduation ceremony are eligible to receive and keep the doctoral robes being made available. He recommended that the voter registration drive and other community engagement activities in classrooms be reported to him or Dr. Halgegans for consideration towards our community engagement Carnegie Classification.

VIII. Curricular Notices

- (1) (ENGL040) ENGL 242: Reading Our World. Proposal to offer as DL.
- (2) (ESCI039) ESCI 222: Historical Geology. Proposal to add W label.
- (3) (ENGL052) BA English. Proposal to modify capstone requirement for degree.

IX. Reports of the Faculty Senate Standing Committees

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Dr. Robyn Davis reported the committee will be following up on the idea of variable-credit internships.

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Dr. Robyn Davis noted the upcoming Middle States review and indicated that work will be done to collect data on technical competency and oral communication. She also noted work to develop competencies for P and D courses.

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A report was shared from Dr. Jack Ogutu noting that APC will be considering changes for the Course Repeats policy and related feedback can be sent to him.

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Senator C. Smith noted that GERC liaisons have been selected for UCPRC sub-committees reviewing recertifications. She also indicated that courses that satisfy the advanced writing (AW) requirement should be included in the recertification process. Dr. Smith also announced that a discussion of oral communication in P and D courses is planned for Thursday, October 25 at 4:00 in McComsey 236. This will address an issue discussed by GERC and at Senate last year regarding whether oral communication in P and D courses must be synchronous. This was of particular concern in DL format courses offered by Nursing. Dr. Dreon reported that UCPRC was using synchronous as a requirement based on GERC guidance. Senator A. Miller expressed concern that pertinent language has not been brought to Senate for discussion and approval based on input from all departments. Senator Hartmann reported that Nursing was able to secure recertifications by way of an exception for their asynchronous program.

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(1) SOWK 615: . Proposal to add prerequisites.

(2) . Proposal to add prerequisites.

(3) . Proposal to add prerequisites.

(4) . Proposal for new course.

X. Reports of the Faculty Senate Special Committees

None

XI. Faculty Emeriti

None

XII. New Business

None

Meeting was adjourned at 5:52 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Action Summary:

The minutes of the September 18, 2018 meeting of the Faculty Senate were approved as written with two abstentions.

- (1) COMM 390: Social Media Campaigns. Proposal to add DL format and change prerequisites was approved without dissent.