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**Faculty Senate Meeting
Minutes**

**August 25, 2022
1:00 to 3:00 p.m.
CPA Stage**

Senators in Attendance:

X	Can, A. (COE)	X	Manprasio, R. (CAS)*	X	Tian, F. (COB/APRC)*
X	Cervantes, S. (AL/COE)		McClure, M. (CHHS)	X	Tweddle, C. (AL/CAS/GE)*
X	Chen, X. (CAS)	X	Muhammad, R. (AL/CAS)*	X	Tymkow, C. (AL/CHHS)
X	Cipra, A. (COE)	X	Pagone, N. (CAS)	X	Valgoi, M. (AL/COE)*
X	Cummings, M. (COE)*		Peng, L.-W. (COE)*	X	Vining, J. (CAS/IPC)*
X	Day, J. (CHHS)	X	Rekhter, N. (CHHS)	X	Winicki, B. (Emeritus)
	He, T. (COB)	X	Romanowski, C. (UL)*	X	Wright, L. (COE) *
X	Jang, H. (COB)*	X	Santoro, P. (CAS)		
X	King, L. (CHHS)*	X	Spencer, S. (CHHS)		
				X	Didion, C. (Parliamentarian)*
					Walsh, E. (UCC)*

* = Faculty Senate Executive Committee, Standing Committee Chairs

Others Present:

C. Green, B. Schneller, T. Forde, J. Crowley, R. Stanley, Parks

I. Call to Order and Approval of Agenda

The meeting was called to order, with quorum, by Faculty Senate President Cummings at 1:02 p.m. Agenda approved by unanimous voice vote.

II. External Reports

A. Administration

University President Green

- President Green reported that she had spoken to the new faculty orientation attendees and most of the college meetings, as well as at the Faculty Senate-Administration Retreat.
- President Green asked faculty members to check class lists and make sure those enrolled stay enrolled and attend classes. This is an important strategy for retention, especially for freshmen. President Green suggested emailing students/classes.

Provost Schneller

- Provost Schneller reported that there are 30 new faculty members, including Unit A and Unit B.
- Provost Schneller reminded senators about the internal posting for the Assistant Provost search (Colleen Sexton's retirement). She encouraged faculty members to consider applying. Posting closes on September 2.
- Provost Schneller reported that strategic plans, etc., updates will be announced in the near future.
- Provost Schneller reminded senators to share information they hear at Senate and other meetings with other faculty members.

Introduction of New Administrators

- Associate Provost/AVP Timothy Forde.
- President's Chief of Staff Janelle Crowley.
- Director Institutional Research and Effectiveness Robert Stanley

B. University Professionals of Illinois Chapter President Hart – not present

C. Student Senate President Parks

Student Senate President Parks introduced the Student Senate Treasurer. Student Senate President Parks reported that the Student Senate will be voting on their representative to the Board of Trustees next week.

D. Civil Service Senate President Fung – not present

(Administration and other guests left the meeting at 1:20 p.m.)

III. Closed Session

- A. Faculty Senate President Cummings explained that roll call vote for going to closed session is typically required, but there is no Faculty Senate Secretary in place to conduct the roll call. There was a motion and second to move to closed session. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote. The meeting moved to closed session at 1:22 p.m.
- B. Faculty Senate President asked for nominations for Faculty Senate Secretary to complete the term of the previous Secretary. Senator Didion nominated Leonis Wright. Faculty Senate President Cummings asked Senator Wright if she accepted the nomination. Senator Wright agreed to the nomination. Faculty Senate President Cummings asked for additional

nominations. There were none. Senator Wright was elected Faculty Senate Secretary by unanimous voice vote.

- C. Faculty Senate President Cummings asked senators to gather in college groups to select representatives to the Faculty Senate Executive Committee. He explained the role of college representative and noted that the Executive Committee will continue to meet virtually on the first Thursday of each month.
- D. The college representatives chosen by their peers are:
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| CAS: | R. Manprasio |
| COB: | TBD |
| COE: | M. Valgoi |
| CHHS: | L. King |
| UL: | C. Romanowski |
- E. Vacancy Appointments: Faculty Senate President Cummings asked senators to check the list of appointees approved by the Faculty Senate Executive Committee contained in the meeting packet. He noted that, except for the APRC at-large seat, only one nominee/volunteer was available for each seat. The motion for approval of all appointees was made and seconded. The list of appointees was approved by the Faculty Senate by unanimous voice vote.
- F. Faculty Senate President Cummings introduced the new senators. In response to a question, he stated that the roster in the meeting packet had not been updated to include the newly appointed senators and committee members.

By unanimous voice vote, the meeting returned to open meeting at 1:40 p.m.

IV. Old Business: Approval of May Minutes

Due to small number of senators present who also had been present at the May meeting, this item was tabled.

V. New Business

- A. Faculty Senate President Cummings announced the following events:
- Senate Executive Committee, Sept. 1, 1:00 to 3:00 p.m., virtual
 - GSU Fall Fling, Sept. 1, 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.
 - Convocation, Sept. 8, 1:00 to 3:00 CPA; Faculty Senate President Cummings encourages senators to attend; he will check on whether faculty members should wear academic regalia.
 - Faculty Senate meeting, Sept. 15, 1:00 to 3:00 p.m., Hall of Honors
- B. Senator Tymkow reminded senators that there are new required syllabus statements. They are available at the Faculty Senate/UCC webpage.
- C. Senator Romanowski reported serious concerns about the lack of shared governance that exists within the library (e.g., not including the Faculty Librarians in the creation of the Library Chair job description that is currently posted; not addressing the concerns raised by the Faculty

Librarians with the purchase and implementation of the Leganto. Also, Interim Dean Swanson failed to include the Subject Librarians in potential changes to the Library Reserve policies).

VI. Adjournment at 1:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Winicki