Franklin College Faculty Senate

Minutes of the meeting on Tuesday, February 21, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 PM via Zoom, Peter Hoffer presiding.

Members Present: Christine Albright, Toyin Alli, Mark Anderson, Adam Barb, Kelly Black, Benjamin Britton, Clifton Buck, Liming Cai, Joel Caughran, Pilar Chamorro Fernandez, Carmen Comeaux, Vince Du, Le Guan, Dan Hall, DeLoris Hesse, Peter Hoffer, Christin Huggins, Imi Hwangbo, Joe Kellner, Emily Koh, Kendall Marchman, Emily Mouilso, Vasant Muralidharan, Richard Neupert, Chris Peterson, Laurie Reitsema, Amy Ross, Alexandra Shapiro, Matthew Shipes, Anne Summers, Cynthia Suveg, Andrea Sweigart, Justine Tinkler, Frans Weiser, Michael White, Sarah Wright

Proxies: Skip Taylor for Rebecca Gose, Paola De Santo for Alberto Villate-Isaza

Members not present: Maduranga Dassanayake, Steve Holland, Rodrigo Martini Paula, Bernd Schuttler, Hang Yin

Guests/Visitors: Jordan Pickett, Kim Klonowski, Sam Kurup

Approval of the minutes of the November 15, 2022 meeting: The minutes were approved with no corrections unanimously.

President Peter Hoffer's Remarks:

After determining that there was a quorum, President Hoffer welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked Dean Alan Dorsey for his service. President Hoffer reminded everyone of the protocols for meetings of the Senate held via Zoom. Senators should keep their video cameras on, share any links or files in the "chat" box, and keep any discussion about the topic at hand to actual speaking rather than using the "chat" box. Voting will be done with the "raised hand" function, and President Hoffer will count the votes and make sure there is a quorum for each vote.

President Hoffer reminded everyone that the Senate still needs a President Elect. He also indicated that the Senate needs a Parliamentarian.

Dean Dorsey's Remarks:

Dean Dorsey thanked Peter Hoffer for his service to the Senate as President.

Dean Dorsey said that he and Benjamin Britton had talked about a Parliamentarian for the Senate in the fall and that he has some ideas for when the new Dean takes over.

Dean Dorsey reported that the Georgia General Assembly had been in session for 6 weeks but that he did not have much to report yet about it.

Dean Dorsey reported that Dr. Anna Stenport will take over as Dean of the Franklin College on June 1st.

Dean Dorsey invited the Senators to ask questions.

Committee Reports:

Executive Committee: The Committee had nothing to report.

Academic Standards: The Committee reported that they had 4 appeals, all of which were approved.

Curriculum Committee: The committee reported that they approved 99 new courses and 216 course changes. They approved 1 Double Dawgs Proposal in Religion; 1 New Undergraduate Certificate Proposal in Cellular Biology; 1 Termination of MA Non-Thesis Program in Classics; 3 General Education Proposals in Religion; 5 Multicultural Course Proposals in various departments; and 21 Bulletin Changes in various departments.

Faculty Affairs: The Committee had nothing to report.

Planning and Evaluation: The Committee had nothing to report.

New Business:

Proposal to Terminate the MA Latin Non-Thesis Program in Classics: Jordan Pickett, Assistant Professor in Classics, presented the proposal to the Senate and explained the reasoning behind it. The proposal passed with a unanimous vote.

Proposal for an Undergraduate Certificate in Immunology: Kim Klonowski, Associate Professor in Cellular Biology and Sam Kurup, Assistant Professor in Cellular Biology, presented the proposal and explained the reasoning behind it. The proposal passed with a unanimous vote.

Old Business: None

Meeting was adjourned at 3:53 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Christine L. Albright
Franklin College Senate Secretary and Senator for the Department of Classics