

General Faculty Meeting Minutes
January 25, 2017
Dolan Science Center Auditorium

The following Faculty Council members were present:

Medora Barnes, Mary Beadle, William Bockanic, Emily Butler, Mina Chercourt, Larry Cima, Gwen Compton-Engle, Barbara D'Ambrosia (Chair), Roy Day, Kristen Ehrhardt, Jean Feerick (Vice Chair), Simon Fitzpatrick, Brendan Foreman (Secretary), Marcus Gallo, Nathan Gehlert, Richard Greci, Dan Kilbride, Michael Martin, Annie Moses, David Shutkin, Peifang Tian, Tom Zlatoper

The following Faculty Council members were absent: Mariah Webinger, Mindy Peden, Nancy Taylor

The agenda for the meeting was distributed to the faculty members before the meeting.

0. A quorum of faculty members was met at 2:05pm, and the meeting began
1. The Chair gave the announcements as listed in the agenda
 - a. The minutes of the November 16th meeting were approved
 - b. Important upcoming dates were announced
 - c. The Canvas discussion of comments and potential revisions of the Faculty Handbook (FHB) was announced.
2. Roy Day, Chair of the Elections Committee gave information regarding faculty voting.

Faculty Eligible to Vote: Spring Semester 2017
198 members of the Faculty
11 faculty are on leave
187 faculty eligible to vote
A majority of the faculty eligible to vote is 94
A quorum for faculty meetings is 38

 - a. There is only one vacancy to be filled by an election: the At-Large position on the Committee on Finance, Faculty Compensation and Work Related Policies
3. The Provost talked about the latest Provost's Report and took some questions and answers about upcoming changes to the Enrollment, Marketing and Data Analytics departments of the university.

4. Peifang Tian presented the three proposals submitted to CAP for approval this year. It was moved (Jim Lissemore) and seconded (Rebecca Drenowski) and approved that all three proposals be sent to votes by the faculty.
5. Ruth Connell, chair of the FHB Committee, presented the amendment on faculty pay frequency, which was withdrawn during the last General Faculty meeting. It had since been determined that under the new amendment, faculty would be guaranteed a paycheck in September of each academic year. She also took questions regarding FHB revision. She thanked Faculty Council for letting the FHB Committee talk at the last FC meeting; and she urged all faculty members to read the FHB and get involved with the Canvas discussion.
6. After some discussion, it was moved (Jim Lissemore) and seconded (Rebecca Drenowski) and approved to recommend to send for faculty vote the same proposal on a tobacco-less campus as was approved by the Student Union in Fall 2016 ((N-7)-3-4)
7. There being no new business, the meeting adjourned at 2:52pm.