

Regular UMKC Faculty Senate Meeting (MINUTES)

Dec. 6th, 2016

Plaza Room, Administrative Center

3-5P

Present: Gerald Wyckoff, Linda E. Mitchell, Kathleen Kilway, Nancy Stancel, Viviana Grieco, Jacob Marszalek, Michelle Maher, Jen Salvo Eaton, Dale Morehouse, Jerzy Wrobel, Bi-Botti Youan, Navya Sane, Jennifer Allsworth, Valerie Rheuter, Dee Anna Hiett, Deb Chatterjee. Ed Abreu, Ed Gogol, Roger Pick, Nara Newcomer, Marilyn Taylor, Margaret Brommelsiek, Sybil Wyatt, Jack Nelson, Michelle Maher, Melanie Simmer-Beck, Irma Russell, David Van Horn, Kathy Krause, Greg Vonnahme

Also Present: Provost Bichelmeyer, Chancellor Morton, Jennifer Waddell, Jane Grier, Anne Spenner, Clara Irazabal, Beci Edmundson, Cindy Pemberton

Excused: Ken Novak, Leo Dobens, Ceki Halmen

Absent: Christopher Holman, Phil Bryne

1. Welcome and Informational items (Wyckoff)

Chairperson Wyckoff welcomes the Senators.

2. Approval of Minutes and Draft Agenda (Wyckoff)

The minutes from the last meeting are approved. The agenda for today's meeting is approved with the amendment of a closed session added.

3. Provost's Update (Provost Bichelmeyer) 20 minutes

Provost Bichelmeyer has met with the General Education 2.0 Taskforce to discuss the next steps. The provost has been very involved with the Missouri Department of Higher Education Mission Review Taskforce; She is one of two UM system representatives on the fifteen-member taskforce. There will be presentations to the Council of Public Higher Education officers and MPHE will be on December 14th and 16th. These presentations will then go to the legislature once the session begins. There has been a recommendation to change the structure of the academic program approval process so that minor changes in academic programs can have an expedited response from 18 months to 2 months. Moreover, commissioner level approval for reviews for new programs that are not in the mission definition of a university will take 6 to 9 months for approval. The third level of review will be a full department review for any program proposed that is outside of mission which will take between 18 to 24 months. Another taskforce recommendation is to have an external review done by the National Council of Education Management Systems. The taskforce has also discussed whether 2-year institutions can offer targeted bachelor degrees and if 4-year teaching institutions can offer targeted professional doctorate degrees. For this to occur, there must be a compelling case made that includes market analysis, evidence of need and support, and collaboration between institutions. The bachelor degrees offered by 2-year institutions must have an economic development focus that will have an impact on the community.

The provost shares that UMKC is undergoing its academic portfolio review and will be shared with the Faculty Senate Budget committee. In January, the provost will be meeting with various campus groups to discuss the current revenue allocation model. UMKC Foundation is closing out its campaign and is organizing its next campaign. There have also been meetings at the UM system level with academic officers to prepare for the new UM system president. Currently, interviews for the vice-provost of institutional effectiveness are underway. Moreover, the provost has been giving listening session updates at the Hospital Hill campus.

4. Discussion in re: MCOM (VC Spenner) 30 minutes

Anne Spenner discusses how to get UMKC news published via MCOM. Her presentation is currently on the Faculty Senate website. Senators share that MCOM is not as transparent as need be with respect to who the MCOM representatives are for each academic unit and the other PR services MCOM offers, such as branding the KC Roo. Senators suggest more faculty representation on the MCOM committees.

5. GE TF 2.0 Motion (Chair Wyckoff) 20 minutes

a. Vote and Discussion

Senators vote to endorse and accept the proposed changes to the mission and goals statement presented by the General Education 2.0 Taskforce with the intent to have further discussion. The taskforce hopes to follow the HLC 30 credit hour model.

6. Presentation by Reorganization Task Force (TF Chair Salvo-Eaton) 30 minutes

Senator Jen Salvo-Eaton gives a presentation on behalf of the Reorganization Taskforce. Their presentation will be on the Faculty Senate website. The detailed proposal will be on website senate as well. Senators will further discuss the proposal recommendations at the next meeting.

7. Feedback from CRR changes (IFC Reps Grieco and Stancel) 20 minutes

Representatives Grieco and Stancel encourage senators to send feedback about the CR&R changes for grievance procedures, workload, and Post tenure review as soon as possible. Representative Stancel shares information about the November 17th IFC meeting. The election results at the state level were discussed at the meeting. There are 45 MU, 13 UMKC, 4 MS&T, and 6 UMSL alumni serving on the legislature. The new president of the UM system was announced as well. Emily Love from the UM system Diversity & Inclusion Office discussed the development of metrics to show UM system progression with diversity and inclusion. Feedback will occur in February. The Standards of Faculty Conduct goals will be discussed at the next meeting. The next IFC meeting will be a telepresence meeting on December 15th.

8. Closed Session

9. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 4:40 pm.