



UNIVERSITY SENATE AGENDA

October 5th, 2023

4:00-6:00

AF 103

Present: Colin Bolger, Kate Clair, Joanne Cohen, Cara Cotellese, Richard Courtney Kaoutar El Mounadi, Lisa Frye, Mike Gabriel, Amanda Garcia, Joe Harasta, Olivia Hartman, Kenneth Hawkinson, Shelby Hoppis, Julia Hovanec, Loriann Irving, Joseph Jedwab, Anthony Jefferson, Mahfuzal Khondaker, Yoon Mi Kim, Pierette Kulpa, Eric Laub, Pdraig McLoughlin, Wendy Rogers, Rick Salafia, Jennifer Schlegel, Dylan Schwesinger, Kim Shively, Norm Sigmond, Myung Song, Dan Stafford, Gavin Stone, Jay Sunsay, Vernoique Vlaun, Todd Walker, Gwendolyn Yoppolo

Absent: Lorin Basden Arnold, Roman Altshuler, Mario Cardozo, Frances Cortez Funk, Kristina Fennelly, Jen Gehringer, Angela Hernandez, Tracy Keyes, Mahfuzal Khondaker, Perry Lee, Dannell MacIwraith, Christine Price, Shawn Riley, Angelo Rodriguez, George Sirkakos, Marci Scheuing

Guests: Jacklyn Downing, Andrea Kirshman, Lisa Kowalski, Brian Kronethal, Karen Rauch, Gabby Wilson

I. Call to Order @ 4 PM

II. Guest Speakers

A. Jacklyn Downing, KU Bookstore Director - KU Campus Store is embracing innovation and transparency while remaining competitive. All about saving students money, inclusivity, and accessibility. Dixon Marketplace, Virtual Shelf, Renovation, Inclusive Access, and more. Remaining independent non-profit is beneficial to students. 747,168 goes directly to the students. 84 percent of students buy from the bookstore. October 15th is the early adoption date for Spring 2024. Great relationship with Rohrbach Library and working on ways to save students even more money OER, which is free to students.

B. Jennifer Castro, Director of Admissions - In week two. Coming up - STEM Open House, Large General Open House and Transfer Events coming up. Enrollment goal is 1650 first-year students and 400 transfers. Increase academic profile and diversity. Opened to Q&A.

III. Approval of the Minutes from September 7th, 2023

Motioned then seconded and approved.

IV. Reports

A. Senate President - Lisa Frye

Role of Senators & Old Main signage

B. Senate Vice President - Cara Cotellese

Looking to fill the following positions.

- Events Advisory, Sport Management
- Center for Engaged Learning, CLAS Representative
- International Affairs, Professional Staff Representative
- Institutional Climate, At-large Minority Staff Manager
- Institutional Climate, CLAS Representative

C. Senate Secretary - Julia Hovanec

Looking to run the following willingness to serves.

- Grade Appeal Board, Graduate Faculty
- SPRC, 2 professional staff members
- SPRC, 1 graduate faculty
- 2 Professional Staff Senators-at-Large
- 1 COC Professional Staff

D. University President - Ken Hawkinson

Shared latest enrollment numbers and announced that it was overall good news although total Head Count is down .56 percent (42 students). Melt at the end is the cause. Up in new students. Still best numbers in 13 years. Good news from Provost's Office - received a large Title 3 grant (2.2 million). The expectation is to increase enrollment and retention. Discussed openings of new buildings and Child Promise. Provost in Washington DC meeting with grant consultants. Q&A.

E. Student Government Board - Gavin Stone

SGB focuses on increasing transparency. Attending FYS classes and improved Instagram page. Many different events, Mental Health Day, Pride Fest. Successful fundraiser. Elections coming up and discussed refer a friend.

F. Assessment/Middle States - Karen Rauch

Focus on one of the Middle States Standards, one a month. Standard 1, Mission and goals. The umbrella for all other standards. Refer to the Power point presentation created by Karen for more information.

G. Academic Success - Andrea Kirshman

Discussed student success, Starfish, and tutoring services. Update syllabi so it does not say CASA. Give updated information, Q&A, Announcements: Commencement Speakers due Monday, the 16th, National Transfer Week also on the 16th of October.

V. Unfinished Business - Lisa Frye

A. Shared Governance Implementation is ongoing.

B. Senate Constitution Task Force (Norm, Dan, & Kate)

VI. New Business - Lisa Frye

A. Academic Standards and Policies, **Brian Kronenthal**

- ACA-008: Repeating Courses - Undergraduate Students - Eliminating not being able to take more than 6 repeats. Take a course and then two repeats for a specific course will still be a policy. **Approved.**
- ACA-XXX: New policy - Automatic Archiving of Courses - Housecleaning. If a course has not been offered in ten years, it will automatically be archived. **Moved, seconded to go back to committee with suggested revisions**

B. General Education Committee, **Megan O'Byrne** GEC/GEAC - Merger of General Education Program and Assessment Committee. GEPAC would be a reporting body to Motion made to approve and seconded. **Supported.**

C. Need a nomination committee for Senate Officers (VP and Secretary) - Three people volunteered, Colin Bolger, Amanda Garcia and Pierette Kulpa.

VII. Adjournment @ 6 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Julia L. Hovanec, Secretary, University Senate

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