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- I. Call to Order:** Faculty Senate President Stephen Burgess called the October meeting of the Faculty Senate to Order at 2:31 p.m. in HEC 213.
- II. Establishment of a Quorum:** Wayne Anderson, Lisa Boyles, Landry Brewer (ZOOM), Nathan Brooks, Stephen Burgess, Melanie Claborn (ZOOM), Rachel Davis (ZOOM), Amanda Evert, Daniel Farris, Swarup Ghosh, Meri Hix (ZOOM), Paul Hummel, Chris Horton, Sunu Kodumthara (ZOOM), Sharon Lawrence, Scott Long, David Martyn, Evette Meliza, Kathy O’Neal, Hank Ramsey, Hardeep Saluja, Tugba Sevin, Amanda Smith-Chesley, Tony Stein, Carie Strauch, Karen Sweeney, Muatasem Ubeidat, Bo Pagliasotti
- III. Certification of Substitutes:** Jonathan Woltz for Phillip Fitzsimmons
- IV. Presentation of Visitors:** Dr. J. Kendall
 - a. Dr. Kendall shared his plan for visiting departmental meetings to discuss program outcomes.
 - b. He provided a handout that covered information about retention, assessment, and learning outcomes.
- V. Approval of Minutes:** Approved September Minutes
- VI. Announcements**
 - a. President Stephen Burgess
 1. Executive Council Meeting: Oct 21st
 - a. Enrollment numbers reported. Enrollment is down about 6%.
 - b. E-sports: Renovation in Wellness Center. Hopefully ready for Fall 2020. Funds from Section 13 can only be used for capital projects.
 - c. Chancellor of Regents will retire Dec 2020.
 - d. Free Speech on campus. Policies are being modified. No longer have designated free speech Zones. Focus is cannot interfere with educational process.
 - e. Counseling Center conducting training sessions with focus on self-care for professionals. 1,753 appointments this year compared to 948 in 2016 total.
 - Faculty Senate Executive officers meeting with Dr. South October 24, 2019
 - a. Student Success Center is purchasing module for Canvas using grant funds that will be available to all faculty. The system will use a combination of grades, attendance, etc. in the class to notify you when a student is at risk of failure or dropping out.
 - b. Dr. Kendall will visit with departments to work on the development of departmental learning objectives and program outcomes. Also will

describe the alignment of different assessment reports and accreditation.

- b. Secretary/Treasurer Amanda Evert
 - 1. Roll Sheet—please sign
 - 2. Treasurer’s Report
 - a) BancFirst
 - (1) September Balance: \$2,055.98
 - (2) Withdrawal: \$0
 - (3) Deposit:
 - (4) Current Balance: \$1,863.88
 - b) University Account
 - (1) August Balance: \$105.01
 - (2) Current Balance: \$105.01
- c. President-Elect Karen Sweeney:
- d. Past President Amanda Smith-Chesley:
- e. Faculty Athletic Representative: Bo Pagliasotti updated faculty on process to ensure notification of both the dates and times of student athlete travel. Reported that coaches had requested to be the secondary advisor for student athletes, but this request was denied.
- f. Student Government Representative:

VII. Reports from Standing and Ad Hoc Committees:

VIII. Unfinished Business:

- a. Assessment Center is working on the e-mail for the upcoming faculty vote regarding the recent amendment to the constitution relating to the restructuring of faculty senate voting.
- b. Dr. Dunn as a representative of the Ad Hoc Committee will be meeting with Dr. South regarding the future of the new excused student absences system to replace the “yellow cards”

IX. New Business:

- a. Information regarding student access to Faculty/Course ratings when drop/withdraw
- b. Assessment Center is investigating if students who receive a withdraw (W) are included in the aggregate scores.

X. Adjournment: 3:08 p.m.

XI. Next Meeting: Friday Nov. 22, 2019 at 2:30 p.m. HLC 213

Fall 2019 Meetings at 230
Friday, August 30, 2019
Friday September 28, 2019
Friday October 25, 2019
Friday November 22, 2019

Friday December 6, 2019

Spring 2020 Meetings at 230

Friday January 24, 2020

Friday February 28, 2020

Friday March 27, 2020

Friday April 24, 2020

Wednesday May 6, 2020