Faculty Senate, Tuesday, October 1, 2019, 5:00 PM  
Wells Fargo Auditorium (Beatty Center 115)

Votes taken by the Faculty Senate appear in red.

1. The meeting was called to order at 5:05.

2. Announcements and Information: Speaker of the Faculty Simon Lewis announced that a new Faculty Secretariat should be hired before the November meeting and thanked Michelle McGrew (Provost’s Office) for helping out at the first two meetings. He welcomed new Senators Kristin Krantzman, Andy Shedlock, and Michaela Ruppert Smith.

3. The Sept. 10, 2019 Minutes were approved by voice vote.

4. Reports

   a. Speaker Lewis encouraged faculty and staff to send names of potential candidates for Provost and Chief Financial Officer to him or to Alicia Caudill, EVP of Student Affairs.

      The Academic Planning Committee is exploring possible adjustments to future Fall Semester schedules to account for the likelihood of storm-related closures.

      Speaker Lewis also acknowledged the ongoing work of the Student Success and Retention Committee and the Committee on Engagement.

      He highlighted a number of recent student and faculty accomplishments, and thanked faculty who mentor and write letters on behalf of students pursuing nationally competitive awards such as Rhodes and Fulbright. He will be featuring faculty accomplishments in his report to the Board of Trustees.

      October 25 marks the inauguration of President Hsu and the groundbreaking for the International African American Museum.

      November will mark the kickoff of the College’s 250th anniversary; the First-Year Experience has issued a call for courses related to the anniversary and the theme of “History. Made. Here.” The deadline is October 30.

      The Speaker expressed concern over the recent “stickering” of the campus by a white supremacist/neo-Nazi group. He encouraged faculty to engage students with the College Reads book Rising Out of Hatred, citing the role college classmates had in shifting Derek Black away from white supremacy and white nationalism.

      Finally, Speaker Lewis acknowledged the sad loss of Professors Charles Beam and Ben Cox, and read tributes to them from colleagues.
5. New Business

a. Curriculum Committee (Andrew Przeworski, Chair)
   PSYCH 410 -- Prerequisite Change: addition of “instructor permission” to the list of prerequisites. [PDF] The motion passed by voice vote.

b. Committee on the By-Laws and the Faculty/Administration Manual (Mike Lee, Chair)
   Motion to expand the Committee on Graduate Education from five to seven regular faculty members. (See below for full text.)

   Professor Jon Hakkila (Guest, Associate Dean of the Graduate School) spoke in favor of the motion, saying that it would provide perspectives from more constituencies and make it easier to get a quorum for the committee’s meetings.

   The motion passed by voice vote.

6. Constituents’ General Concerns: There were none.

7. The meeting adjourned at 5:26.

Appendix: Motion from the Committee on the By-Laws and the Faculty/Administration Manual:

**Motion to expand the Committee on Graduate Education**

**Current FAM language (3.B.2.a):**

“Composition: Five regular faculty members, at least three of whom are also members of the Graduate Faculty, the Dean of the Graduate School, the Registrar, the Provost, and the Associate Vice President for Institutional Effectiveness and Strategic Planning, or their designees, are non-voting ex-officio members.”

**Proposed FAM language:**

“Composition: Seven regular faculty members, at least three of whom are also members of the Graduate Faculty, the Dean of the Graduate School, the Registrar, the Provost, and the Associate Vice President for Institutional Effectiveness and Strategic Planning, or their designees, are non-voting ex-officio members.”

**Rationale:**
This committee’s work has expanded in terms of the number of proposals they review as well as broader responsibilities (including accreditation oversight and curriculog management).

Pending a successful vote by both the Faculty Senate and the full faculty, the Committee on Graduate Education plans to seek two additional members immediately.