

“The Faculty Senate shall be the representative body of the faculty, deriving its authority from the faculty as per the Collective Bargaining Agreement. Its primary function shall be to serve as the agency by which the faculty can actively participate in the governance and policy-making decisions of the University on the basis of the principle of shared authority.” (Faculty Senate Constitution, Section I).

President’s Report to the Faculty Senate – March 27, 2019

1. The Shared Governance Forum sponsored by the FS, is scheduled for **Wednesday, April 3, 2019 at 12:10-2 pm** and it will be held in the **Ballroom B, Adanti Student Center**. The email on Save the date was distributed and another reminder will be send out again. All Senators are expected to attend since the day/time was chosen during the scheduled FS committee meetings. Please announce also to your department colleagues.
2. At the request of Provost Prezant, the intellectual property committee has approved a new directive and it is posted on the website: <http://www2.southernct.edu/academics/academic-affairs/Intellectual.html>. The initial arbiter of the issue was the State Ethics officer. It reads: *As per the Connecticut State Ethics Officer, no member of the institution may donate funds into the Southern Connecticut State University Foundation and thereafter use those funds to benefit their own creative activities, scholarship, or professional travel, or similar activities or purchases. This guideline is as per State Regulation Section 1-85 of the State Code of Ethics.:* https://www.cga.ct.gov/current/pub/chap_010.htm#sec_1-85
3. Dean Durnin has asked that the following clarification is distributed with regards to the earlier notification for the name change of the new department BIS: *The Management Information Systems (MIS) faculty, courses, and associated Business Administration concentration, will become the new **Department of Business Information Systems (BIS)**. The existing Department of Management, Management Information Systems and International Business (MGT/MIS/IB) will become the **Department of Management and International Business (MGT/IB)**.*
4. Discussions are taking place about the renaming of the academic Schools to Colleges, i.e. the School of Arts and Sciences to the College of Arts and Sciences. The Dean of Arts and Sciences, Dean Kalk, held a school-wide faculty meeting to discuss this and has asked that he comes to address the Senate on April 10, 2019. During the School of Arts and Science faculty meeting, Dean Kalk also informed us that the national search for two Associate Deans has been approved by the BOR. The announcement will be send out internally first to all SUOF members and after ten days the announcement will be distributed nationally. The two Associate Deans’ duties will be the in the areas of a) STEM and b) the Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences. Two search committees are being formed, one will be chaired by Dr. Christine Broadbridge and the other by Dr. Wes O’Brien. There will be three faculty members on each committee.
5. The meeting with Provost Prezant and IT Vice President and CIO, Dennis Reiman and the FS Executive Committee, was held on Thursday, 3/21, to discuss the use of Web Profiles in Digital Measures’ Activity Insight (DMAI) on the new SCSU web site. On the question if all faculty, including Librarians, Counselors, Athletic Trainers and Coaches, will be able to have access to DMAI, the answer was yes and the cost to add all faculty was quoted to be \$2,000. Since not all faculty are using DMIA for their yearly annual report and since many faculty have created their own websites, then the resolution was that flexibility will exist, so that faculty can add a link on the new website and it will suffice with no further action necessary. In addition, the departments that have an extensive departmental websites, there

will also be a link from the new website to connect and allow the information to be shared without cumbersome transfer of the data. At this time the use of DMAI seems to be the most efficient method of platform but some further discussions will be necessary as the capability to enter data on DMAI is troublesome and it needs to be examined further.

6. Dr. Ilene Crawford, Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs, will be addressing the Senate on April 10, with respect to the reaccreditation process and completing the report, therefore seeking the Senate’s recommendations for faculty co-chairs for each of the nine sub-committees (one per each of the nine NECHE standards).

The Project Co-Manager for the NECHE’s 2021 Accreditation review has been announced to be Dr. Theresa Marchant-Shapiro, who will be reporting to Dr. Crawford.

7. The remaining full Faculty Senate meetings are: **April 10, April 24, and May 8**, which will be the elections day for President and Treasurer of the FS. All Senate business will need to be completed by the last session of the semester.

Status of AY 19 Faculty Senate Resolutions					
Number	Date	Resolution on...	For	Disposition	Comments (abbrev.)
F-2018-01	Senate approved: 9/26/18 Forwarded: 10/8/18	Resolution Opposing the CT/BOR Policy on “Academic Program/Low Completer Review Process”	FYI	Noted 10/9/2018	
F-2018-02	Senate approved: 12/5/18 Forwarded: 12/28/18	Resolution on Guidelines for Addressing Academic Misconduct	Approval	Disapproved 1/17/19	The memo of concerns from the Academic Affairs and Student Affairs offices is attached on the resolution and can be found on the FS website.
F-2018-03	Senate approved: 12/5/18 Forwarded: 12/28/18	Resolution on Grade Appeal Process and Form	Approval	Disapproved 1/17/19	The memo of concerns from the Academic Affairs and Student Affairs offices is attached on the resolution and can be found on the FS website.
S-2019-04	Senate approved: 3/6/19 Forwarded: 3/8/19	Resolution Regarding the Size of the University Academic Standing Committee (UASC)	Approval	Approved 3/20/19	
S-2019-05	Senate approved: 3/6/19 Forwarded: 3/8/19	Resolution Regarding the WF/WP Designation	Approval	Approved 3/20/19	
S-2019-06	Senate approved: 3/6/19 Forwarded: 3/8/19	Resolution Regarding the Creation of a Policy for the Awarding of Posthumous Degrees and Certificates of Academic Achievement in Memoriam	Approval	Approved 3/20/19	