

## FACULTY SENATE

"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 – October 24, 2018

- 1. **Midterm Grades** due Friday, October 26, 2018 by midnight. These grades are used for two reasons: to advise students about their standing in each of their classes and to also allow faculty to enter the dates of when the student stopped attending class.
- 2. The Faculty Senate will sponsor the first Presidential Dialogue with President Bertolino and his cabinet members. Mark your calendar and announce to your departments: Monday, December 3, 2018 at 1:00-2:30 pm in the ASC Theater.
- 3. Two of the three candidates for the position of Dean of Graduate and Professional Studies visited SCSU: A) Dr. Deborah Howe on Thursday, October 18; and B) Dr. Stuart Sidle on Monday, October 22; while C) Dr. Manohar Singh is scheduled for Monday, November 5<sup>th</sup>. Please update your departments and provide any feedback to the search committee by visiting their respective survey links.
- 4. The University Library Committee **(ULC)** is in need of two senators to serve on their committee. Two current elected members are on Sabbatical but the FS has two additional representatives. The committee meets at least twice per semester and the term is 3 years. Any volunteers?
- 5. On Monday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>, the FLC met with Provost Prezant and items discussed were:
  - a. The number of the existing All-University committees, could the FS consider combining some committees. For example, there are three faculty award committees: Robert Jirsa Service Award, J. Phillip Smith Outstanding Teaching Award, and Faculty Scholar Award. Could they be collapsed to one?
  - b. The new Academic Advising model is running as a pilot program and Dr. Helen Marx is the Faculty Director. So far there are two appointments a) Dr. Jeff Webb for the Sciences and Math/STEM AAC or "neighborhood" and a faculty from the School of Business for the Business AAC. Further discussion occurred on the process for faculty appointments as the coordinators for each of the eight Academic Advising Centers, who will receive release credit load to serve as advisors along with a Professional Advisor. The release credits for each position and the time line for assigned positions was also discussed. There was a concern of the total number of credits per semester. The Provost will look into this further and will keep us informed.
  - c. The Year-long scheduling is moving along so far.
- 6. The Digital Professional Assessment Pilot is so far running smoothly and small details have been addressed. Thanks to Senators Pettigrew and Stutzman who worked along with Karen

Mussmano. Please ask your colleagues to reach out to any of us if they are experiencing any issues.

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	

FALL 2018: November 7 and 28; and December 5.

SPRING 2019: January 23; February 6 and 20; March 6 and 27; April 10 and 24; and May 8.