

President's Report to the Faculty Senate – March 26, 2014

1. **Letter of congratulation sent on behalf of Faculty Senate to:**
 - Lisa Galvin, Director of Graduate Admissions
 - Dr. Robert J. Rennie, Chief Information Officer designate (beginning July 15)

2. **Resolution to approve revised Graduate Council By-Laws approved by Pres. Papazian, 3-11-14**

3. **Meeting with BOR President Gregory Gray, March 14, 2014**
 - Transform CSCU 2020 foci: Access, Affordability, Accountability
 - Academic Master Plan to be developed. Consultants have been hired (\$2M); 12-month timeline.
 - Academic credit for life experience: Dr. Gray favors centralizing function of determining awards.
 - BS in Nursing was proposed for Three Rivers CC. Dr. Gray said not to expect CCs to grant BS's.

4. **Meeting with Graduate Student Affairs Comm. on April 7 (3 PM) to hear from graduate students:**
I am still looking for a few Senators to accompany me to listen to the concerns of graduate students.

5. **Absent unanticipated crises, the focus of the Senate for the remainder of the year should be completing the work assigned to its standing committees (see table below).**

Work currently assigned to Faculty Senate committees for AY 14

Committee	Assigned Responsibilities
Academic Policy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review grade appeal policy; make recommendations for revisions • Develop resolution on academic impact of class size, cancelations, related matters • Co-plan Senate forum on Assessing and Supporting Teaching (with PPC)
Elections	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop procedure to identify all-U comm. chairs and track committees' activities • Engage the part-time faculty by filling the vacant Faculty Senate positions for adjuncts
Executive	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advocate removal of fringe charge from Faculty Creative Activity Research Grants fund • Advocate increased allotment for FCARGs and creative activity-related travel • Explore specific faculty needs of Coaches, Counselors and Librarians • Sponsor year-end faculty retreat with AAUP, with focus on participation in governance
Finance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monitor travel funds • Explore possible FCARG awards in addition to \$2,500 stipends • Prepare annual Senate recommendation for CBA Travel dollars
Personnel Policy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review FS evaluation documents (P&T, renewal, professional assessment, sabbatical) • Develop free-standing DEC document to correspond to all evaluation documents • Monitor faculty effort (time) for completing Graduate Program Prioritization reports • Co-plan Senate forum on Assessing and Supporting Teaching (with APC)
Rules	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop proposal for streamlining all-University committees • Review Faculty Senate Bylaws • Review Faculty Senate Chairperson document
Student Policy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explore campus safety issues • Evaluate pilot Student Opinion Survey form
Technology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advise campus community on IT issues
Ad hoc/Faculty Opinion of Admin.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop recommendations for substance, structure and timing of next survey of faculty opinion regarding administrators and/or administrative offices

6. **Student Success Task Force Report.** Language that stated, "The business of a University is graduating students," has now been changed to "Colleges and universities are in the business of graduating educated students" [emphasis added].

7. **Spring Graduate Open House (April 7).** To be held at 900 Chapel St., will feature only five programs:
 - Accelerated MBA
 - Traditional MBA
 - Certificate in Accounting
 - MS Tracks in Computer Science (Cybersecurity and Software Development)
 - MS in Applied Physics

8. **Meeting with ECSU Senate and AAUP.** Tuesday, March 25, 2014.

Status of AY 14 Faculty Senate Resolutions					
Number	Date	Resolution on	For	Disposition	Comments (abbrev.)
S-14-04	2-26-14	Approve Revised Graduate Council Bylaws	Approval	Approved	With complete copy of bylaws emailed 03/06/14
F-13-03	11-20-13	UCF resolution on LEP course caps	Approval	Disapproved	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resolution is unnec. and creates confusion: language re class caps is contained in CBA, which governs parties' understanding and conduct • Several "whereas" clauses not entirely correct and/or not universally accepted
F-13-02	10-25-13	Bring P&T Doc. in Line with CBA Regarding Role of Univ. President in DEC Hardship	Approval	Approved	
F-13-01	10-25-13	Change Language Regarding BOT	Approval	Approved	