



COUNCIL of UNIVERSITY SYSTEM FACULTY

CUSF Council Meeting
University of Maryland, College Park College Park, MD
The Adele H. Stamp Student Union
2212 Banneker
November 14, 2019

Minutes

Elizabeth Brunn Called Meeting to Order

- Minutes reviewed; approved with identified needed corrections.

Senate Chair's Report: Pamela Lanford, Senate Chair, UMCP

- Provided an overview of shared governance throughout the University.
- Noted there are many committees and councils along with 10 standing committees.
- Regular meetings are in place with administration.
- Provost and President are very engaged.
- Review of most recent information from Middle States. Next expected steps shared and noted that, per Middle States, universities' autonomy from governing bodies is important. Making progress.
- Areas working on based on Middle States expectations include three resolutions contributing to better inclusion of faculty, staff, and students. Will be submitting progress in another report in March. Noted more inclusion on the presidential search committee. The Board of Regents and Chancellor are being communicative and open. Faculty's request for a Dean to be co or vice chair of presidential search committee was approved.

Chair's Report: It was noted that the chair's report was included in the meeting materials for further review.

Business Items:

- Discussed topic of proposing Emeritus Faculty as a Board of Regents member.
- It was noted that present timing could be opportune to bring this forward with changes in the Regents composition. Bill Chapin indicated it is a very important change.
- Needs further research and supportive evidence before topic is pursued, as it would involve the legislature and must go to/through USM first.
- Phil Evers asked if there were any examples from other universities or Boards (as above regarding searching for supportive evidence).
- Legislative Affairs committee will look for evidence to support the proposal.
- Elizabeth Clifford indicated generally in favor of more voice such as on the Board of Regents and is not sure why faculty are noted to have a conflict of interest if students (who are already on the BOR) do not. Others support that inquiry. Regarding the idea of using retired faculty and/or those from outside of the USM, it might be the case that the representative is not in touch with current issues.
- One idea to choose the faculty rep would be to have a process similar to the USM Student Council's' process, which includes several specific steps including an application, a campus process, and multiple interviews.

Membership Amendment

Reapportionment Update. Bill Chapin - Once informed of new numbers will further pursue.

Committee Updates

Legislative Affairs

Ericka to look into.

Educational Policy

Elizabeth working on academic integrity to share in December.

Faculty Concerns

Email was sent and thus far just one response back from email discussion?

Membership and Rules

Bill Chapin: Questions have the information for this year must for this year according to our present constitution etc. Review ex com information for discussion in next meeting.

New Business

None

Adjourned

Respectfully Submitted November 19, 2019

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