



COUNCIL of UNIVERSITY
SYSTEM FACULTY

**Report by the
Council of University System Faculty (CUSF)
to the USM BOR Meeting
at the University of Maryland Baltimore County (UMBC)**

Friday February 21, 2020

This report reports the activities of CUSF since the submission of the December report. One Council meeting occurred since December. The next Council meeting is scheduled for February 18th at Coppin.

MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES: The following are the meetings and other activities conducted by CUSF since the last report.

- **Council Meeting at USM:** The Council had its January 14th meeting at USM in Adelphi. Topics discussed include a review of the BOR policy on academic integrity, an update on the “civility” issue, and a discussion with the new Chancellor, Chancellor Perman.
- **Academic Integrity Initiative:** The Educational Policy Committee of CUSF has been working on making recommendations to the BOR regarding BOR Policy III-1.00 and 1.02. At the next meeting at Coppin, the EdPolicy members of CUSF have invited key members of the administration (e.g. associate provost, Student Council Chair, Student Services) to discuss what steps are being taken and what additional steps CUSF can take to assist the implementation of academic integrity on their campus. The two-way dialogue is most informative for all parties. Policy recommendations will be discussed again at the February meeting.
- **Civility Issue:** There was continued discussion on and interest in the issue of civility where there is an alliance between Student Affairs and students which enables students to take aggressive behavior and aggression toward faculty. The group took a step back from developing a Code of Civility at this time.
- **Emeritus Faculty BOR Member Resolution:** No new action was taken on this initiative.
- **Advocacy Day:** Advocacy Day is scheduled for Wednesday February 18th. At this time final preparations are being made. Currently, we have roughly ten CUSF faculty members participating in Advocacy Day.
- **State of Share Governance Report:** The State of Shared Governance Survey has been distributed to the Senate Chairs or their equivalent. The completed surveys are to be returned by March 10th.

COMMENTARIES: There are no commentaries or attachments attached to this report.

Respectfully Submitted: February 12, 2020
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