Committee on Committees Minutes

Monday, February 18, 2019 1:00 p.m.

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1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:11 p.m.

2. Approve November 19, 2018 minutes

The minutes were approved.

3. Parking & Transportation Committee

- -In November, the University Constitution and Regulations Committee (UCRC) approval was given to change "seven faculty or staff appointed by the President or President's designee" to "four faculty and three staff appointed by the President or President's nominee" to guarantee that faculty will be the majority.
- -This is a joint committee reporting to VP of Business Affairs Curtis Reynolds so any Senate approval is ultimately a recommendation. VP Reynolds verbally approved this recommendation on January 11, 2019.
- COC approves the membership definition approved by the Faculty Senate Steering Committee, UCRC, and the Parking & Transportation Committee.)

4. <u>University Curriculum Committee (UCC)</u> and <u>General Education Committee (GEC)</u> Chair voting rights/roles/inconsistencies

-In November, UCRC approval was given to change the UCC chair role to non-voting to make it uniform with the GEC. <u>Faculty Senate Bylaw 20 Article IV (A)(2)(b)(4)</u>. (p. 26) -COC approves this.

5. Compensation Committee

- In November, Welfare Council approved the Compensation Committee's new definition proposed by the Compensation Committee as below:

Current: "The committee shall evaluate and report on compensation relative to peer institutions, raise results and salary structures at the University, and make recommendations with respect to raise procedures at the University."

Proposed: "The Compensation Committee investigates matters of compensation, including, but not restricted to, salary and benefits. Its agenda is established in conjunction with the Welfare Council, to which it reports."

The Committee on Committees approves the proposed new definition with the following change: "The Compensation Committee investigates evaluates matters of compensation including, but not restricted to, salary and benefits. Its agenda is established in conjunction with the Welfare Council to which it reports."

- -COC approves this verbiage which clarifies that the Faculty Senate and its committees are not investigative bodies but rather gather information and act in an advisory role.
- -This item will be forwarded to the Compensation Committee for their feedback and then to the University Constitution and Regulations Committee.

6. Senate Nominating Committee

UCRC approval was given to strike the phrase "No member of the Senate may be elected to more than two Senate or Joint committees," from Article V Section 7(A) of the University Constitution.

-COC approves this.

7. Council and Committee Reviews

• Student Petitions Committee – Liz Brownlee, Member

Liz Brownlee met with CoC to discuss the Student Petitions Committee:

- -The committee meets every Tuesday 1-3 p.m. and consists of 11 members, including Ron Anderson who is a non-voting member who attends as the student Ombuds. Many cases are fee associated, but the committee hears a variety of petitions, including appeals for in state registrations, retroactive course withdrawals, and non-medical course drops. The committee obtains helpful information from the interviewing officers who provide a statement. The reason for approval of a petition are typically due to a university error or extenuating circumstances.

 -The committee is pleased with the committee composition and membership continuity which halve provide a provide a
- -The committee is pleased with the committee composition and membership continuity which helps provide consistency to the students. Long standing members and old members rotating back in to the committee has helped with this consistency.
- -A large number of petitions revolve around Summer Drop/Add due to this period lasting only 2 days as opposed to the standard 7 days during Fall/Spring. The committee wishes Summer Drop/Add could be lengthened to 7 days which would be in line with Fall/Spring. In certain situations, rather than penalizing students losing appeal with the cost of the course, they prefer to institute a restocking fee which would still have consequences, but which would lessen a student's financial burden. However, this is an issue/policy which is not regulated by the committee and is thus out of their control.
- 8. Work on Draft of 2018-19 Committee on Committees Council Report to the Senate (To schedule in March): University IT Committee Ray Issa, Chair

9. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:46 p.m.

Resources:

Constitution of the University of Florida

Bylaws of the Faculty Senate