

Faculty Senate Meeting Summary Notes
11am, Manderino Room 408
12/5/19

Present: Ahmet Akgun, Vamsi Borra, Andrea Cencich, Joshua Chicarelli, Peter Cormas, Peter Heh, Libby Larsen, Robert Mehalik, Dawn Moeller, Loring Prest, Candice Riley, Kristen Schaffner, Kim Vanderlaan, Carolyn Wass, Robin Weaver, Ellen West, Brenton Wilburn, April Wright, Jeanne Fazekas

Call to Order

1. **Review/Approval:** 11/7/19 Summary Notes

Old Business: After new business completed, returned to old business agenda items.

2. **Faculty Senate Administration Evaluations Subcommittee** – deferred
3. **Shared Governance Issues**- deferred
4. **Shared Governance Evaluation (Middle States, Standard VII)** – deferred

New Business:

1. **Loring Prest-** The library will be adding 16,000 books as resources. Wanted to know if faculty would be interested in open resource in the library. Faculty encounter problems with some publishers which will refuse faculty access to faculty resources if there are not enough students buying the textbook.
2. **Guest Speaker:** Craig Smith:
 - Council of trustees met last night.
 - Regarding budgets- pre-budgets are developed but these differ from the finalized budget
 - Bud Reports are preliminary reports which are highly conservative and may reflect budget shortfalls
 - Fin Report are the finalized budgets with real numbers but are not available until the end of the fiscal year
 - Craig has collected 8-9 years of Fin Reports to track actual financial status. CalU had four years of surplus (money available for reserves), last year was the first year there was not a surplus.
 - First deficit in 5 years resulted in a less severe shortfall than had been projected. In June the Board of Trustees (BOT) had projected \$1.8 million deficit, however, 3 weeks later this number was decreased to \$800,000- still of concern but not as drastic as had been projected.
 - When asked V.P. Thorn had stated that 1 million ins less than 1% of the budget
 - Projection for deficits (19/20) \$800,000, (20-21)- 4.7 million, (21/22)- 4.6 million. Question if these projections will be reached.
 - Goal of the university administration is for university to grow reserves
 - Fiscal 2019, reserves were 25.5 million which is 17% of budget, goal to grow to 25-40% of budget

- University administration is judged by surplus. CalU is in the red in comparison to other universities in the state system. CalU is 4th from bottom of all state schools regarding financial status.
- According to a risk assessment, CalU slid from Orange to Red Zone regarding budget
- Schools in Green Zone: West Chester, SRU and Bloomsburg.
- Fin Report supports instruction support to be set at 33-35% of budget. Union prefers 45% of budget.
- Triannual review for President Jones was delayed a year.
- The BOT approved an Order of Succession was approved last night
- The policy on appointing a university president was updated to reflect that anyone in the acting position cannot apply to be appointed president
- Craig shared results of faculty shared governance survey with BOT. Per Craig's report: 50% Don't believe the current President has open and honest communications 50% Don't believe the current President is academically or professional skills
- University wants to eliminate Health U part of health insurance as it has a negative impact on insurance premiums.

3. Next meetings: February 5, 2020

4. Announcements- none

5. Adjournment 12:00

R. Weaver, Recorder