Regular Meeting of the State of CT Faculty Advisory Committee to the Board of Regents for Higher Education Minutes

October 15, 2021 WebEx

Present:

Aime, Lois, Admin Fac, At-Large Rep, NCC

Blitz, David, Fac, Chair, CCSU

Coan, Francis, Fac non-voting, TXCC

Farguharson, Patrice, Fac, COSC

Garcia-Bowen, Myrna, Admin Fac, SUOAF, CSU

Grace, Sean, Alternate, SCSU

Gustafson, Robin, Fac, Alternate, non-voting,

WCSU

Long, Jennifer, Fac, Alternate, TRCC

Absent:

Breault, Benjamin, Admin Fac, Alternate, At-Large,

MCC

Brewer, Adam, Fac, non-voting, WCSU

Emanuel, Michael, Fac non-voting, NWCCC

Jackson, Mark, Fac, Alternate, CCSU

Carr. Patrick

Colacicco, Stephanie

Dunne, Matthew

Eddy, Sandra

Fisher, Michael

Picard, Ron, Fac, Alternate, NVCC Rajczewski, MaryBeth, Fac, ACC Richards, Barbara, Fac, HCC Sesanker, Colena, Fac, GWCC Shea, Michael, Fac, SCSU Stoloff, David, Fac, ECSU

Wilder, Linda, Admin Fac, COSC

Yiamouyiannis, Carmen, Fac, non-voting CCC

Kaufman, O. Brian, Alternate, QVCC

Ruggiero, Christine, Fac, Alternate, MXCC

Wilson, Marvin, Admin Fac, Alternate, SUOAF,

CSU

Guests:

Gentry, Adam Goh, Bryan Heleen, Pamela

Japely, Christine

[Voting Members: Aime, Lois, At-Large NCC; Blitz, David, CCSU; Farquharson, Patrice, COSC; Garcia-Bowen, Myrna, SUOAF CSU; Stoloff, David, ECSU; Rajczewski, MaryBeth, ACC; Richards, Barbara, HCC; Sesanker, Colena, GCC; Shea, Mike, SCSU; Wilder, Linda, COSC]

- Meeting called to order by Vice-Chair, David Blitz, at 1:07 pm. Meeting is being recorded as required.
 - o Approval of Agenda Motion to approve Ron Picard, seconded; approved unanimously
 - o Approval of Draft Minutes of 9/10/21, with corrections. Motion to approve Myrna Garcia-Bowen, seconded; approved unanimously
- Report of Vice-Chair
 - o New Funding Formula: BOR Finance committee reviewed a modified formula for distribution of state grant to the universities. Funding increased from 6.5M to 11M
 - o Legislature can no longer specify grants to specific universities
 - o Basis for funding will now include part-time students
 - o A portion of the Block Grant will continue to be assessed for the operation of the BOR
 - Suggestion that growth of size of SO should be limited was not received as a positive
 - The new formula would benefit one university and be a negative to the other three universities
 - Suggested that this should be done proportionally so that the three universities that are negatively impacted will have time to adjust
- Report of Chair
 - o Academic & Student Affairs Meeting
 - Will use OPEID for Capital Community College for consolidated college

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- Criminal Justice task force presented their recommendations at ASA meeting; among other things they looked at how, or if, anti-racist content was built into these programs. However, they had no real definition of what might be considered anti-racist content.
- o CSCU Copyright guidelines a small taskforce created the guide. It is available online
 - Explore guide; share with colleagues
 https://cscu.libguides.com/c.php?g=1170039&p=8546966
- David Blitz continues to question hiring of 170+ advisors. 86 of the 170+ advisors have been hired. Total cost of 55M over next three years. For FY22 & FY23 most will be paid by HEERF funds that appear to end in FY22. Need 11.9M in FY24 that will be funded through "pick-up" funds and this term has not been defined. Justification is that these advisors will increase retention at a great rate and pay for themselves. Missing about 44M in FY24.
 - o Is there a training component for these new hires? As far as is understood, there is nothing in place to train anyone.
- FAC Meeting dates for 2022
 - o 1/21/22, 2/04/22, 3/11/22, 4/08/22, 5/06/22, 6/0<mark>3/22</mark>, 7/25/22, 8/19/22, 9/09/22, 10/07/22, 11/18/22, 12/04/22
- Joint meeting of FAC/BOR
 - o Proposed dates/times 11/01, 3:00-4:00 pm; 11/02, 11:00 am 12:00 pm; 11/03; 11/05, 1:00-2:00 pm for one hour meeting
 - o Agenda must be agreed upon by FAC & BOR Chairs Fleury will chair the meeting
 - Need to limit discussion topics: possible topics
 - Transfer/articulation, vaccine mandate, student's first
 - Break down student's first to several issues, one being ACME
 - o Write up short bios to submit to BOR in advance, with possible photo
 - o BOR will have its own agenda topics so we will need to be flexible on the meeting content
- Emeritus Members
 - Losing lots of institutional history with many people leaving
 - Need to think about previous members who can continue to support the FAC and offer information and history on what has previously occurred
 - o Can be nominations or self-nominations
- FAC CC elections
 - o Colena, Lois, Jen are the elections committee members
 - o Will meet soon and get out bios and ballots
- BPOP/iTeach policy
 - o Reviewed policy document sent to all community college faculty on mandate to take this "course"
 - o This is currently in arbitration based on a grievance filed by the 4Cs and AFT unions
 - o Date will probably be extended. The dates in the policy document are not realistic
- CSCU Online Learning Council
 - Chaired by Kevin Corcoran
 - o All CSUs are represented; all CCs are not represented
 - o Charge: To develop a long-term vision and strategy for online learning to make CSCU a regionally and nationally recognized provider of high-quality, in-demand online programs.
 - o Could be useful to have someone on committee who knows little about online teaching/learning
- CCs Professional development
 - o Do not have PD right now due to union negotiations
 - o First time this has ever happened during union negotiations

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Meeting adjourned 3:00 pm

Next Meetings: November 12, 2021 December 10, 2021

submitted by, Lois Aimé

