



## FACULTY SENATE MINUTES

May 1, 2018  
2:30-4:30pm -FS  
Meeting

Assembly Room, McFall Center

### CALL TO ORDER

### ROLL CALL

### CHAIR REMARKS

- Dr. David Border, Faculty Senate Chair- Welcome to all new senators.

### COMMUNICATIONS

(Note: See back of agenda for summary updates from groups not reporting from the floor.)

- Dr. Rodney Rogers, President-

President Rogers began by saying that this time of year is a “time of celebration!” The University will award degrees to 2,341 graduates in May. That number is larger than in past years. President Rogers said he will ask graduating students if they will text or send a note of advice for incoming students. Faculty advice to incoming students is welcome as well, put G for graduate and U from undergraduate. He said that the graduates will be leaving Bowling Green for opportunities, and that the University needs to recognize their outstanding accomplishments.

The President provided information on the four open forums for the Strategic Plan. The forums gave faculty and staff an opportunity for input and feedback. Approximately 500 people have participated in the forums. Information will be available in the McFall Gallery from May 7 to May 11. Comments can be submitted online. An analysis of the information will be shared with the Board of Trustees and with the Cabinet in June. Feedback to the University community will be provided as well.

Searches for two senior administrators are taking place. The search firm of Isaacson Miller will be assisting with the searches for the Senior Vice President and Provost and for the Vice President of University Advancement. Isaacson Miller will be here to talk with Senate. There will also be a survey asking for additional input. A start date of January 1 or July 1 of 2019 is expected for the new Provost. The search for the Vice President of University Advancement should be complete by mid-fall term.

The results of the question asked at the last Senate meeting concerning the difference between a public and private university were: 20 percent NO and 80 percent YES. Some of the comments were: obligation to public good, service to society, broader role than private accessibility, public obligation to disadvantaged low income students.

The President thanked everyone for a great year and offered wishes for a wonderful summer!

- Dr. John Fischer, Interim Provost and Senior Vice President-

We have an announcement Dr. James Ciesla is the new Dean of Health and Human Services. Thank you to all of you who participated in the search. We will be announcing in just a few hours the new Dean of Tech and Applied Engineering. Thank you to all who have been helpful in our capital plan: Interior design teaching space, teaching lab forensics science, beginning construction of the new Business building—the Mauer Center. Also thank you for all the new program developments.

Undergrad and graduate numbers look strong. Preview Day last Saturday, we had 300 Juniors in high school apply, there were 2000 visitors and 500 families.

Retention is strong, will change, but is up a percent from last year. 5,870 students are starting classes this summer that is more than 100 from last summer.

There will be 180 students getting ready to leave on several different international trips.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

- Plus/Minus Grade Scale- Chair David Border- The proposal for plus/minus is still in SEC. The discussion of actual agenda items absent proposal. Do we have a discussion or motion?

The policy has been circulated there is one flaw in the proposal, there is a glitch in translating letter grades to S/U grades.

### **Questions:**

Q: Allen Rogel- The question is where to draw the line of S and U. The needs full attention of faculty as well as undergrad council. I support a delay to clarify.

Q: Chris Rump- I was under the impression there was no C- or D+?

A: David Border- SEC received documents transmitted that contained three grading scales. U/S is now issues of C-

Q: Chris Rump- The transfer scales as well.

Q: Stephanie Walls- I would like to clarify when the policy came to SEC?

The C- not in the text, asked for clarification from Andy Alt C- unsatisfactory, a substantive change should not move forward.

- Q: Melissa Miller- Will it go back through UGC?  
 A: Stephanie Walls- That is what we want.  
 A: Provost Fischer- Document exists the way it was C- not noted, removed the A+. did not have the + - on F.  
 A: Allen Rogel- FS could modify document and remove the C-, D+, and D-.  
 A: Provost Fischer- FS final vote.  
 Q: Megan Rancier- I would like to see the document in question.  
 Q: Ann Gordon- explain rational for removing the A+  
 A: Provost Fischer- I don't speak for UGC.  
 A: Sheila Roberts- A+ and A is the same GPA.  
 A: David Border- Document will be distributed.  
 Q: Chris Rump- Will Grad Council review?  
 A: David Border- Should have two separate proposal to come to Senate.

- Results of Senate Elections- Please see link: [https://falconbgsu-my.sharepoint.com/:b:/g/personal/robyngm\\_bgsu\\_edu/EcGdaj78W2dHodE632vISFQByE4AnzMSKbbFGYZIDLMOEw?e=gia4IG](https://falconbgsu-my.sharepoint.com/:b:/g/personal/robyngm_bgsu_edu/EcGdaj78W2dHodE632vISFQByE4AnzMSKbbFGYZIDLMOEw?e=gia4IG)

#### NEW BUSINESS

- Faculty Mentor Recognition Award Presentation\*  
 Recipient: Dr. Lee Nickoson, Department of English-  
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- Resolutions
  - Academic Calendar- Please see link: [https://falconbgsu-my.sharepoint.com/:b:/g/personal/robyngm\\_bgsu\\_edu/ETpLg\\_7G5nNOpaQnUGy17AMBVp5i\\_VLgLQjvd01PTifdLA?e=VTzA1W](https://falconbgsu-my.sharepoint.com/:b:/g/personal/robyngm_bgsu_edu/ETpLg_7G5nNOpaQnUGy17AMBVp5i_VLgLQjvd01PTifdLA?e=VTzA1W)

#### Questions:

- Q: Chris Rump- The 8<sup>th</sup> whereas academic calendar does not meet minimum requirements for all courses. That is a little weak.  
 A: David Border- We can amend from the floor  
 Q: Chris Rump- There are going to be many courses, would another Senator like to offer language?

**Motion: Ann Gordon- Scratch the word every and add many courses, e.g. those that meet on MWF. Second: Melissa Miller**

**Discussion: Megan Rancier- e.g. is not necessary to specific. Ann Gordon- I am fine with striking it.**

**Call to questions: Scott Chappuis- Voice Vote- Unanimous.**

- Provost Search- Please see link: [https://falconbgsu-my.sharepoint.com/:b:/g/personal/robyngm\\_bgsu\\_edu/EQcP8a1iHF9IiyOKw7C5yEBd35qTLS-T0\\_iFg2R\\_VHVHA?e=4u8ofC](https://falconbgsu-my.sharepoint.com/:b:/g/personal/robyngm_bgsu_edu/EQcP8a1iHF9IiyOKw7C5yEBd35qTLS-T0_iFg2R_VHVHA?e=4u8ofC)

***Motion- SEC, Second- David Tobar***

***Discussion- Dr. Rogers- I welcome for Senate to elect a member to the committee.***

***Robyn Miller- Nominate Frederick Polkinghorne, Call to question- Stephanie Walls, Voice Vote- Unanimous.***

- Programs
  - New Master of Athletic Training- Please see link; [https://falconbgsu-my.sharepoint.com/:b:/g/personal/robyngm\\_bgsu\\_edu/EbtPZP33j1xOrtIfbwInz9IB\\_IHQlt6EjwIPRniMN2cHKA?e=j2hT8x](https://falconbgsu-my.sharepoint.com/:b:/g/personal/robyngm_bgsu_edu/EbtPZP33j1xOrtIfbwInz9IB_IHQlt6EjwIPRniMN2cHKA?e=j2hT8x)

**SEC Motion: Second: Megan Ashker. Passes 48 for, 1 against, 0 abstain**
  - New Advertising Major- Louis H, Media Productions Studies- Please see Link- [https://falconbgsu-my.sharepoint.com/:b:/g/personal/robyngm\\_bgsu\\_edu/EYjr-qHzV7FGi89HfGok4TEB2yrbq3mHLX5vU9o2vj3wLA?e=7g09hp](https://falconbgsu-my.sharepoint.com/:b:/g/personal/robyngm_bgsu_edu/EYjr-qHzV7FGi89HfGok4TEB2yrbq3mHLX5vU9o2vj3wLA?e=7g09hp)

**SEC- Motion: Second Alyson Wilson. Passes 46 for, 6 against, 0 abstain.**
  - Major Changes to Social Work- [https://falconbgsu-my.sharepoint.com/:b:/g/personal/robyngm\\_bgsu\\_edu/ERMkQEV7kH9Jrw9I\\_Q-dUABLc5fhdDQCgY3LpFVHZkpg?e=5Rps3G](https://falconbgsu-my.sharepoint.com/:b:/g/personal/robyngm_bgsu_edu/ERMkQEV7kH9Jrw9I_Q-dUABLc5fhdDQCgY3LpFVHZkpg?e=5Rps3G)

**SEC Motion: Second David Tobar. Passes 50 for, 0 against, 0 abstain.**
- Isaacson Miller- Provost Search
  - Guests: Jeff Kessner, Isaacson Miller and Natalie Leonhard, Isaacson Miller- If you hire the perfect Provost how will it be different at BGUS. What are important things for the new Provost.

**Questions:**

- Q: Jenn Stucker- More collaborative experiences among faculty.
- Q: Juan Bouzat- Expand shared governance. Person willing to listen to the Deans.
- Q: Beatrice Guenther- Emphasize professional degrees. Balance of liberal arts and advance professional degrees.
- Q: Juan Bouzat- Get away from standard business type of approach importance of multiple fields.
- Q: Chad Van Buskirk- Shared governance Provost committed to ownership for faculty curriculum
- Q: Neocles Leontis- Provost should value the university. Chief academic officer should be a leader who accomplishes teaching and research.
- Q: Ann Gordon- Interpreting data using data to inform policies.
- Q: Megan Rancier- Encourage to have a diverse group of candidates.
- Q: Stephanie Walls- Provost needs to be interested in a regional campus

- Passing the Gavel, Recognitions and Remarks

**REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES**

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- Senate Standing Committees
  - Committee on Academic Affairs (CAA)
  - Committee on Professional Affairs (CPA)
  - Adjunct Faculty Committee (AFC)- Ray Young- The survey has been completed, there were over 400 sent out we are getting over a 50% response rate.
  - Fiscal Affairs Advisory Committee (FAAC)
  - Committee on Committees (Com/Com)
  - Committee on Amendments and Bylaws (A&B)

- University Committees
- Ad hoc Committees, Work Groups
  - Charter Revision ad-hoc Committee- Allen Rogel

Part B is the Faculty Handbook, Part C will be Faculty Senate Bylaws. and Part D is preserved pending work this fall. Nothing has changed in the Charter, just easier to find.

- Transportation ad-hoc Committee
- BGSU Faculty Association

**ISSUES AND CONCERNS/SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA****ITEMS ADJOURNMENT**

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**Senators are expected to stay through adjournment.**

*\*On April 9, 2018, the Faculty Senate Award Recipients were recognized at a University-sponsored awards banquet. Unavoidable circumstances prevented the Mentor Award recipient, Dr. Nickoson, from being at the event. The Senate will allow her this due privilege at its May 1st Faculty Senate meeting.*

