

FACULTY SENATE MINUTES// MARCH 3, 2020
2:30 PM – 4:30 PM // OLSCAMP 101

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

CHAIR REMARKS // Jenn Stucker, 2019 – 20 Faculty Senate Chair

- **CLASSROOM ENROLLMENT CAPACITY SURVEY**- There is a survey being circulated it is labeled “external, so please do not delete it.

- **FS FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION + FREE SPEECH PANEL**// March 24th 2:30–4:30pm- There will be a freedom of speech panel. Please email questions to Jenn at jstuck@bgsu.edu. The panel will be about an hour. Mark your calendars

CFE TEACHING + LEARNING SUMMIT // March 26th - The summit will have a key note speaker will be Dr. Susan Ambrose. Lunch will be served at the workshop. Please see attachment: <https://www.bgsu.edu/center-for-faculty-excellence/teaching-and-learning-summit.html>

- **FACULTY SENATE AWARDS** // **AWARDS** April 6th at 4:30pm- We will have the Faculty Senate awards reception, thank you for your participation.

COMMUNICATIONS

- Dr. Rodney Rogers, President
- Dr. Joe Whitehead, Provost and SVPAA-
 - President Rogers is on a call concerning the coronavirus.
 - We have the Diversity and Belonging statement approved by the Board of Trustees. It has not been updated since 2010. It was approved unanimously. Please see link: https://falconbgsu-my.sharepoint.com/:b:/g/personal/robyngm_bgsu_edu/Ed53dWvLGalAohGWYnZNCVMBMV7RWnLsdZY4o6quUjY1dA?e=C5s5Zh
 - The regional higher ed committee for Firelands is looking at Firelands Regional campus to examine enrollment, financial stability as well as sustainability and student success. The committee will report in June and consists of faculty and staff.
 - There is a free speech bill it is SB 4. It was voted out of the full Senate and has the support of both Democrats and Republicans. Instead of just certain areas of campus have free speech zones, all of campus will be a free speech zone and open to public forums, the Statehouse is excluded. The capital bill is not going forward right now. We are watching this closely for funding for requested capital projects.

- The corona virus, we are restricting individual travel to level 3 countries and group travel to level 2 countries. We are taking this information very seriously and there is a direct interim guidance to higher ed that can be shared with faculty. We are also having discussion concerning if we had to teach classes online.
- There are some strange vehicles delivering food. They will not move if the auto lights are on, however, if the auto lights are off they will move. The company is hiring our students to maintain the robots.
- Ashley Hendricks, GSS Vice President-
 - We are hosing the Shanklin research event that will be April 23rd and it is open to the public.
 - We will also be having our GSS student recognition awards of the year.
- Alex Chiarelott, USG President-
 - On voter registration data base is pulling up the address from the Bureau of Motor vehicles. We are reaching out to the State reps to fix this.
 - Paul Valdez will be talking about the census at our next meeting as well as members from City Council concerning off campus issues.

OLD BUSINESS (none)

NEW BUSINESS

1 // ELECTION OF FACULTY SENATE OFFICERS + SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MEMBERS.

Motion to close nominations- Matt Lavery, Second Joel O'Doresio

New Officers elected Christopher Frey- Vice Chair Elect, and Marlise Lonn- Secretary Elect.

2 //CURRICULUM //

- Program Changes: CLASSIC CIVILIZATION. Dr. Philip Peek Please see attachment. https://falconbgsu-my.sharepoint.com/:b:/g/personal/robyngm_bgsu_edu/EcpU_fxUSslJnd6hhDVp5DkBPt90etPoUis0l_zkMA92pQ?e=e3CSRs

Questions:

Q: Christopher Frey- Any discussion about the title of the program and expanding the course work to include outside of Europe? Also the research paper is only 15 pages that is on the shorter side?

A: Philip Peek- Extending outside would not be consistent with our Ph.D. program which is in Greece-Rome. The Mediterranean culture is not just Greece and Rome but many cultures. The research length works for us. It is a good work load for faculty and students.

Motion to accept curricular changes- Matt Lavery, Second Valeria Greenberg-Pla. Motion carries: 49 for, 0 against, 4 abstain.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEES

- Committee on Academic Affairs (CAA)
- Committee on Professional Affairs (CPA)
- Adjunct Faculty Committee (AFC)
- Fiscal Affairs Advisory Committee (FAAC)
- Committee on Committees (Com/Com)
- Committee on Amendments + Bylaws

(A+B) UNIVERSITY COMMITTEES

AD-HOC COMMITTEES, WORK GROUPS

- Student Evaluation of Teaching (SET)
- Classroom Enrollment Capacity
- BGSU FACULTY ASSOCIATION- David Jackson- The AAUP supports the free speech bill passed by the Ohio Congress. There will be an AAUP meeting on April 8th at 7:00. We will be passing changes to the Constitution to reflect the new CBA.

ISSUES AND CONCERNS / SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE

AGENDA ITEMS ADJOURNMENT

NOTE: Senate meetings are open to the public. Supplemental materials supporting proposed action item(s) may be sent to Senators only. Senators arriving after roll call are asked to report to the secretary at the end of the meeting. Please use a microphone and state your name when addressing the body.

Senators are expected to stay through adjournment.

NEXT MEETING: April 7, 2020 // 2:30pm – 4:30pm // Olscamp 101