**Faculty Senate Minutes**

April 9, 2024 at 3:00 p.m.

Live Oaks Room

**Members Present:** Rusty Gaspard, Carol Corbat (Vice President), Matthew Stokes, Jacob Whitmore, Jialin Lei, Cole Franklin (Secretary), Beverly Alwell, Cynthia Thomas, Cathy Cormier (alternate for Lisa Bradford), Guoyi Ke, Sona Kumar

**Members Absent:** Julie Gill, John Marks, Lisa Bradford

**Guests Present:** None

**Welcome and Determination of quorum:** The meeting came to order at 3:03 p.m.

**Approval of minutes**:

March 26, 2024:

Motion to approve minutes: C. Thomas

Second: M. Stokes

Vote: 10-0-1

**Report of President:**

None

**Reports of Committees**

Courses and Curriculum Committee Minutes:

Motion to receive minutes from March 20, 2024: B. Alwell

Second: J. Whitmore

Vote: 11-0-0

The Senate reviewed the minutes and action items from the C&C committee’s March 20, 2024 meeting.

BIOL Course Revisions

BIOL 1000:

Motion to approve: B. Alwell

Second: G. Ke

Vote: 11-0-0

BIOL 4110:

Motion to approve: S. Kumar

Second: R. Gaspard

Vote: 11-0-0

Modification to B.S. Biology degree:

The Faculty Senate tabled a vote on this matter at this time.

CORE 3001:

Motion to approve: C. Thomas

Second: C. Cormier

Vote: 11-0-0

John Marks entered at 3:27 p.m.

Nursing course revisions:

NURS 1042, NURS 2022, PNUR 1013:

Motion to approve: C. Cormier

Second: C. Thomas

Vote: 12-0-0

Dr. Coreil entered at 3:30 p.m.

Update:

We have a severe weather potential for the next day. The weather is being monitored for possible cancellations or changes. John Marks asked about any possible liability for not closing in severe weather. Dr. Coreil said it would be significant.

The Louisiana House of Representatives has voted to give the governor the authority to name the Board of Regents chair.

The spring commencement ceremony will honor Dr. Mary Trueting. She will also be recognized at the upcoming faculty/staff recognition event.

C. Corbat asked about when we might have a new director of Human Resources. Dr. Coreil said he believes we have a good potential candidate.

Dr. Coreil left the meeting.

Course and Curriculum minutes from March 27, 2024.

Motion to receive the minutes: B. Alwell

Second: J. Whitmore

Vote: 12-0-0

NURS 1150, 1151, 1152:

Motion to approve: C. Cormier

Second: M. Stokes

Vote: 12-0-0

ASN Track: Paramedic to ASN:

Motion to approve; C. Cormier

Second: J. Marks

Vote: 12-0-0

Modification of MKTG 4440:

C. Corbat requested a deferral of a vote on the modification for a departmental clarification.

MKTG 3423:

Motion to approve: C. Cormier

Second: B. Alwell

Vote: 12-0-0

Modification of MKTG 4451:

Motion to approve: C. Cormier

Second: G. Ke

Vote: 11-0-1

Modification of MKTG 3430:

Motion to approve: C. Cormier

Second: G. Ke

Vote: 11-0-1

HIST 4009 and HIST 4163

Motion to approve: M. Stokes

Second: J. Marks

Vote: 11-0-1

Modification of CMST 2151:

Motion to approve: C. Franklin

Second: C. Thomas

Vote: 11-0-1

CMST: 4990

Motion to approve: B. Alwell

Second: C. Cormier

Vote: 12-0-0

FPPC Committee minutes from September 14, 2023

Motion to Receive: M. Stokes

Second: C. Cormier

Vote: 12-0-0

Admissions and Standards Committee minutes from March 28, 2024

Motion for Faculty Senate to approve, after the fact, that Admissions and Standards committee is the proper committee to consider over age 25 admissions guidelines.

Motion to approve: B. Alwell

Second: J. Whitmore

Vote: 12-0-0

Motion to approve Admission and Standards recommendation to modify admissions standards for those over age 25: C. Cormier

Second: J. Marks

Vote: 11-0-1

Motion to approve proposal that placement scores only be valid for five (5) years.

Motion to accept: G. Ke

Second: C. Thomas

Vote: 12-0-0

**Ad-Hoc Committee Report(s)**

PS 209 Ad-Hoc Committee minutes from 2-28-24 and notes from 3-20-24

Motion to accept: C. Cormier

Second: J. Marks

Vote: 12-0-0

Interdisciplinary Committee minutes from 3-25-24

Motion to accept: J. Whitmore

Second: B. Alwell

Vote;12-0-0

**Old business**  
Policy Statement Revisions

PS 202: A faculty forum regarding PS 202 changes will be held soon.

Faculty Senate Funds: C. Corbat said she will be returning funds to the Faculty Senate because the order she was using funds for could not be filled by the vendor.

B. Alwell asked Senators to remind faculty to submit reports to Julie and her upon completion of travel.

**Introduction of New Business:** None

C. Cormier left the meeting at 4:15 p.m.

Motion to move into executive session: J. Whitmore

Second: J. Marks

Vote: 11-0-0

Faculty Senate entered executive session at 4:17 p.m.

Faculty Senate exited executive session at 4:49 pm.

**Announcements/Looking ahead**

Next meeting: April 23, 2024 in Live Oaks Room

Please send *Pats on the Back* to Julie and/or share at Senate meetings.

Departmental accomplishments

**Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn: C. Thomas

Second: J. Marks

Vote: 11-0-0

The meeting adjourned at 4:51 pm