# LSUA Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes for 11 November 2019

**Senators Present:** Melissa Whitley, Melissa Parks, Kent Lachney, Missy LaBorde, Kerry Ordes, Richard Elder, Jennifer Innerarity, Leesia Marshall (proxy for Carol Corbat), Prakash Ghimire (late), Michelle Riggs

**Guest:** Provost John Rowan

Meeting convened 12:02 pm

**Minutes:** Dr. Rowan requested a correction on the Provost's Report in the previous meeting's minutes. The minutes state a meeting time of Tuesday at 8:30; the report should read "3:30." K Lachney moved to approve the minutes with correction, and the motion passed 7-0-1.

**Rowan Report:** This year there will be 18 endowed professorships offered. Faculty can request consideration now, and the full application packet is due in February. Fall enrollment is strong, but revenue is lower than expected due to unexpected expenses (Academic Partners). LSUA should be synchronous with LSU for the Spring Three semester. Faculty need to be more diligent reporting drops for nonattendance in Fall Three semester. Dr. Rowan asked for suggestions to prompt faculty.

Three points of discussion: \$300,000 surplus originally intended to pay for faculty salary increases has been spent on unexpected expenses: Workday, Fair Labor Standards compensations, correction of improper admission practices, continuing financial obligation to Academic Partners, lack of immediate revenue from LSUOnline. Proposed modification to the Strategic Plan revises expectations of the number of academic units from five to three: College of Health and Human Services, College of Arts and Sciences, College of Business. Administration will make their decision on this matter by November 28; Faculty Senate should submit any recommendations on this proposal by November 25.

**Policy Reviews:** C&C has met once this semester. Any department with curricular modifications, additions, or deletions should submit them to C&C by December.

### Chancellor's Funds (See attached spreadsheet with detailed awards):

Research: M Whitley presented the subcommittee's recommendations. K Lachney moved to approve, and the motion passed 10-0-0.

Travel: M LaBorde stated that money remains for awards, then presented the subcommittee's recommendations. M Riggs moved to approve, and the motion passed 8-0-2.

Field Trips: Subcommittee chair presented the subcommittee's recommendations. M LaBorde moved to approve, and the motion passed 10-0-0. Additional funds still available for awards.

**New Business:** L Marshall requested clarity on a situation in the library. L Marshall stated that Library Director Rusty Gaspard informed her that her students were required to submit

Interlibrary Loan requests three months in advance of need. L Marshall expressed her dismay at such a lengthy lead-time and noted the impracticality and impossibility of the demand. She then asked about the library's collection development policy. M Riggs explained that digital collections refers to digitized books/monographs, and that database subscriptions are a separate kind of purchase. She emphasized the quality of Bolton Library's databases to meet undergraduate research needs. She also exhorted faculty members to provide the insight of their individual specialties to suggest items for the library. M Riggs also explained the Interlibrary Loan process, assuring the Senate that an ILL request takes only 7-10 days (at most) for a book request and 24-72 hours for an article. Many Senators expressed support of Bolton Library but frustration that they did not have access to LSU's database and digital resources.

M LaBorde moved to adjourn the meeting. No one opposed. The meeting adjourned 1:04 pm.

Dutifully submitted, Michelle Riggs, Guest Secretary

## LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY ALEXANDRIA

# Faculty Senate

#### 302 Mulder Hall

# November 11, 2019 at 12:00 p.m.

#### **AGENDA**

- I. Determination of quorum Call to order
- II. Approval/Revisions of Minutes (10/30/19)
- III. Report of President (see attached)
  - a. Update from Provost, Dr. Rowan
- IV. Report of Committees
- V. Agenda Business items (Old Business)
  - a. Chancellor's Funds
- VI. New Business
- VII. Adjournment



November 6, 2019 DATE:

**Faculty Senate** TO:

Melissa Whitley, M.S.R.S., R.T.(R) FROM:

Faculty Senate President

**RE:** President's Report

1. I sent out the charges to review PS to the following: a. FPPC – PS 212, PS 223, and PS 246

- b. A&S PS 227 and PS 274
- c. Improvement of Instruction PS 210