FACULTY SENATE STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA Feb 15, 2022 3:30 PM – ZOOM

Guests: Dr. Myron Pope, VP of Student Affairs Dr. Sharlene Newman, Executive Director of the Alabama Life Research Institute

Roll Call and Quorum Check - (*Barb Dahlbach*) **Approval/Correction of the Minutes for Jan 18, 2022** – (*Barb Dahlbach*)

President's Report – (Chapman Greer)

- FS Elections
- Covid report
- Election Day Off (student proposal)
- Faculty sentiment regarding Municipal Elections' proposed date change (from Mar to May)

Vice President's Report – (Matthew Hudnall)

• GIS (and other) tech licensing across campus

- **Secretary's Report** (Barb Dahlbach)
 - Campus Culture Taskforce Report (see attachment sent out 2.12.22 to the Faculty Senate ListServ)
 - Campus-wide Faculty Senate elections

Senate Committee Reports:

- Faculty & Senate Governance (Ibrahim Çemen & Jeri Zemke)
 - Faculty Senate Officers nominations and election for 2022-2023
 - By-Laws Change (vote)
 - *Current Language:* The Secretary will call the roll of senators at each meeting of the Senate. Any absences in excess of two by a senator will be reported by the Secretary to the Faculty and Senate Governance Committee. The Secretary shall also record the attendance, by name, of each visitor having floor privileges pursuant to Article III. Section 3, paragraph 4, of every attending member of the press, and of other special visitors to the Senate
 - Suggested Revision: The Secretary will record the attendance of senators at each meeting of the Senate. Any absences in excess of two by a senator will be reported by the Secretary to the Faculty and Senate Governance Committee. The Secretary shall also record the attendance, by name, of each visitor having floor privileges pursuant to Article III. Section 3, paragraph 4, of every attending member of the press, and of other special visitors to the Senate
 - Call for confirmation of Dr. Kevin Shaughnessy to replace Dr. Cathy Pagani as Ombudsperson (Dr. Pagani retired on Dec 31, 2021)
 - Call for nominations for Ombudsperson to replace Dr. Linda Parsons (whose term ends December 31 2022): regular term start on January 1 2023 – December 31, 2026
 - Call for nominations for Mediation Committee replacement for Janie Hubbard
 - o Call for nominations for Mediation Committee replacement for Stacy Alley

- Academic Affairs (Rona Donahoe & Babs Davis)
 - Faculty Handbook changes (See attachment sent out 2.11.22 to the Faculty Senate ListServ)
- IT & Strategic Communications (Patrick Kung & Nathan Loewen)
 - CIT now has someone available for outreach to colleges to inform/demonstrate to faculty (Melissa Green, Assistant Director for Education and Outreach)
 - OIT platforms are at the mercy of AWS outages (e.g., Blackboard at the end of Fall semester). Faculty should be prepared with contingency plans like downloading grade books. Would drills be a good idea?
 - Google → O365: Content shared by students will be lost. Faculty should review, copy/migrate asap. Tools are available on OIT website
 - Still rebuilding courses after move to Blackboard Saas. Same will happen for move to Blackboard Ultra (Summer 2022)
 - OIT developing new, 3yr Strategic Plan. Will seek input from community through survey (example from previous survey: Adobe Creative Cloud, new myBama)
 - IT-related support (ITSD, CIT, AVS) now all under same ticketing system (Jira). Moving colleges to Jira too. Working on a portal for people to see status
 - OIT working with HR to be flexible to retain/attract IT staff. It is a very competitive market, esp. after Covid
 - o UAHPC, CHPC, Ultra storage just moved to DC Blox (1st week Feb.)
 - New myBama look rolled out
 - o Check & train your Outlook Junk folder

• Research & Service – (Shanlin Pan & Douglas Bish

- Please complete this short survey and encourage others to complete it (ORED Office for Sponsored Programs Pre-Award Survey from Dr. John Higginbotham. The survey can be accessed through:
 https://universityofolohome.org/igo/form/SV_0ESm40Cd2ofboyo
 - https://universityofalabama.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_9FSm49Gd2afbcvc
- Revised IP and copyright policies from ORED to be voted on in the March meeting. The IPPC members shall be selected based on recommendations from the Associate Dean's for Research, college/school Deans, and the director of OIC. The IPPC shall be composed of nine (9) members. IPPC members shall include five (5) employees, three (3) ad hoc technical experts, and (1) representative from the faculty senate. The IPPC members shall serve a three (3) year term that may be renewed. IPPC Committee Members for 2022-2025 are Jason Bara, Julie Olson, John Baker, Jaber Abu Qahouq-Faculty Senate Representative, Rob Morgan, Dan Gibson, Nghia Chiem- Chair, Steven MacCall- Ad hoc, Jared Miller- Legal Advisor, University of Alabama Systems.
- Lab safety highlights from EHS and its responses to FS's recommendations in Spring 2021. New concerns regarding EHS safety training and SOP and audits. (See attachments sent out 2.14.22 to the Faculty Senate ListServ)

• **Student Life** – (Jennifer Dempsey & Amy Traylor)

- o COVID
- Mental Health
- Housing
- o REAL Tide
- o UA Leadership Development Model
- o Women and Gender Resource Center
- o Safe Center

- Community & Legislative Affairs (Joy Burnham & Steven Yates)
 - Brewer Porch Luncheon: May 5 2022
 - Legislative Reception Jan 31 2022: Update
- Faculty Life (*Heather Elliott & Ruth Ann Hall*)
 Childcare Proposal Update
- Financial Affairs (Mary Stone & Byung-Cheol Kim)

 Concur / P-Cards
- Diversity, Equity & Inclusion (Lyndell McDonald & Luke Niiler)
 ORT Bill HB312

Reports from Other Committees

• Compliance Committee (*Babs Davis*)

Old Business

New Business

Reminders

• Next FS Meeting, March 23rd – Venue: TBD

Adjourn