Faculty Senate 2/15/19 Meeting Agenda

Call to Order (3:00 pm) in Library 237

Approval of the Minutes of January 18, 2019 meeting - approved

Administrative Reports:

Report of the Chancellor

- Dr. Panu –

Report of the Executive Vice-Chancellor for Academic Affairs

- Dr. Skipper –
  - Strategic Plan Implementation – 6 of the 11 objective subgroups have met. Brian Mallory and I presented on our Strategic Plan Implementation process (to this point) at AASCU on 2/8. The subgroups should plan for an initial report to Cabinet at the end of spring semester.
  - Association of American Colleges and Universities (AAC&U) – We are members as of January. AAC&U promotes best practices in undergraduate liberal education. Webinars include topics such as Free Speech, Advancing Diversity, Liberal Education and the workforce, Global Learning, Redesigning majors, etc. Campus-wide availability. USCB representatives are Summer Roberts, Swati DebRoy, Kim Cavanagh and Brian Mallory. Will likely also include one or two individuals from Student Development.
  - Academic Master Planning - The AMP committee continues to meet. We are planning a series of town hall-style meetings during the next couple of weeks to talk about the need for an academic plan, and to listen to the ideas of faculty and staff.

Ms. Salazar - Presentation of Career Services Champion

- Thank you to Dr. Nelson for allowing us to present. Thank you to faculty for encouraging our students to participate in the career fair. We had 204 students at the career fair. This is double from last year. Thank you to the following Jena Chanowski, Cindy Lahar, Caroline Sawyer, Jayne Violette, Ron Erdei, Jayne Violette
  - Runners up – Sue Gibson & Cindy Lahar
  - Career Services Champion – Kelly McCombs

Committee Reports:

Academic Steering Committee

- Dr. McCoy - Academic Steering Committee Report –
  - Re: Areas of Bluffton Campus Growth

Categories of programs:

1. Graduate

We are content with the CSCI Graduate program and Education’s Master’s in Literacy. These are all the graduate programming we’re willing to support at this time re: university finances and faculty availability.

2. Bachelor’s
• Healthcare Leadership - this seems like a smart move for USCB, especially considering Dr. Salazar's research.
• Health Information Technology - Mentioned by Drs. Dudas and Reindl, also reflects Dr. Salazar's research.
• Lowcountry Studies (option for Honors) - this could be a robust and unique Interdisciplinary Program (Visual Arts, Theater, and more have a place here), and it ties in with the Reconstruction Institute already in progress.

Note: The Healthcare programs proposed might benefit from a more interdisciplinary stance, as disciplines other than Business have proposed ideas which might be more amiable/available to working with the Health programs.

3. Minors

• Medical Humanities
• African-American Studies
• Digital Humanities
• Global Studies

Note: Several proposals mentioned Global Studies, which also would complement several degree programs and continue USCB's efforts to be an international school - the three languages we offer at USCB should have a foothold in Global Studies as well.

4. Concentrations

Languages and Cultural Studies - examples include Spanish for the Health Professions, Spanish for Business, etc.

5. Distinctions

Experiential Learning could be implemented now, considering our current QEP. Service Learning or Leadership could also earn distinction. Incorporating a "Writing Across the Disciplines" program that might earn writing distinction (and better writing across the disciplines, which is desperately needed beyond what ENG 101 and 102 can do) is also a popular idea.

Courses and Curricula Committee

• Dr. Borton –
  o The Courses and Curricula Committee met on Jan. 25, 2019 at 2:30 p.m. in SCITEC 231. The committee reviewed and approved the following proposals:

NEW COURSE PROPOSALS

Nursing and Health Professions:

• NURS B200: Nursing Honors Seminar III
• NURS B201: Nursing Honors Seminar IV
• NURS B300: Sex, Sexuality, Gender and Healthcare
COURSE CHANGE PROPOSALS

Nursing and Health Professions:

- NURS B310: Course title change from Biophysical Pathology to Pathophysiology; changes to catalog description and Student Learning Outcomes (SLOs).

Next Scheduled Meeting: Friday, Feb. 22 2:30 p.m. SCITEC 231

Submission Deadline: Monday, Feb. 18 5 p.m.
  bortonb@email.sc.edu

Faculty Development Committee

- Dr. Thompson -
  o February 15th is the deadline for submitting Faculty Development Fund requests (form located at https://www.uscb.edu/academic-affairs/faculty-senate/faculty-development-committee.html). Those can be sent to jthompso@uscb.edu. The FDC will meet on March 1st at 1pm in Sci Tec 222 to discuss disbursement of the available funds.
  o Serkan Catma has been scheduled to present a Brown Bag on April 26th, tentatively scheduled for Libr 238 from 12-1.

Faculty Library Committee

- Dr. Canada – no report

Faculty Manual Review Committee

- Dr. Hoffer –
  o The Faculty Manual Review committee met on Wednesday, 2/13. We plan to circulate an annotated copy of the manual indicating the proposed revisions we’ve been working on so far this academic year before spring break. The *main focus* of these revisions has been updating critical information pertaining to the creation of deans, schools, and new (or revisions to) standing committees of the faculty senate. We have planned two forums to give faculty the opportunity to discuss the proposed changes. These forums will take place on Friday, 3/22 at 2pm (before the 3pm senate meeting) and on Wednesday, 3/27 at 2pm. Locations TBA when we send the draft to the faculty.
  o While we will move next to sections pertaining to Promotion and Tenure, the draft you will receive in the next few weeks will not yet reflect these proposed revisions.
  o The next meeting of the committee will be Wednesday, 3/20 at 2pm in LIBR 144. We have only just this week been granted editing permission on the Faculty Manual Review committee page of the Faculty Senate webpage. We will be posting all of this information and notice of upcoming meetings to this page soon.

Faculty Welfare Committee

- Dr. Skees –
  o The Faculty Welfare Committee’s monthly meeting information for this semester is now posted on our webpage. Yet, the Faculty Welfare Committee did not meet February
13th from 3:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. as scheduled because it has no new business to discuss. Our next scheduled meeting is March 20th.

Promotion and Tenure Committee

- Dr. James –
  - The promotion and tenure committee has not met and has no report.

QEP Committee

- Dr. Roberts & Dr. Sawyer –
  - Dr. Murray Skees is formally joining the Students Connected leadership team as Faculty Development Coordinator in preparation for Jim Glasson’s retirement. Thank you to Mr. Jim Glasson for his hard work and service to the Students Connected Program.
  - We are discussing our revised QEP with the Academic Program Assessment Committee on February 20, and it will be submitted to the Office of Institutional Planning and Effectiveness and shared throughout the university at the end of the month.

Student Research and Scholarship Day Committee –

- Dr. Cavanagh –
  - Student Research and Scholarship Day
  - Date: Monday April 22, 2019
  - Abstract Submission and Registration Deadline: April 7th
  - Poster Submission Deadline: April 14th
  - Judges Needed! If you would like to volunteer as a judge or if you can recommend a student to judge, please let either Kim Cavanagh or Beth Hammond know ASAP.
  - Website will be available for registration and abstract submission on March 4th.

Unfinished Business

New Business

- Dr. Borton – C3 Voting

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- Motion to approve all together – approved
- Approved
For the Good of the Order & Announcements

• Ms. Holderfield –
  o Please join us Friday, March 1 from 5-8 for the opening of HIVE, an installation by Adrian Rhodes, at the Sea Islands Center Gallery in Beaufort. The artist talk will take place at 6. The installation features 550 sculptural bee woodcut prints, printed bee wallpaper, bee-printed polyhedral sculptures, acrylic paintings, collages, paper cut bees affixed to surfaces, ribbons, dyed paper, and more. Her acrylic paintings layer networks of star maps, bee hives, DNA strands, dripping honey, and pomegranates in complex and colorful collages. These collages are contrasted with dense wallpapers of printed bees and strands of handmade paper polyhedral suspended from the ceiling. For more info about the artist and to see images of her work, see adrianrhodes.com. Check out Sea Islands Center Gallery on Facebook and Instagram.

• Dr. Sevim – Campus Internationalization Subcommittee
  o The campus internationalization subcommittee met on Monday 2/4/19 to discuss Stories from Abroad 3, the International Student Survey, the International Mini-Fair, and ways we can further support our international students and the staff who work with them. "Stories from Abroad 3” event will take place on February 15th before faculty senate. The event will showcase the educational travel experiences of staff members. Five staff members will present in SCITEC 222, 2-3 pm, to share their stories and discuss tips and trips for traveling abroad. Snacks will be served. The admissions office administered our first International Student Survey in January. The survey asked our international students to provide feedback on their educational as well as overall experiences here at USCB. We will share the results later this semester. Our “international mini-fair” will take place Wednesday March 20th from 11am-2pm in front of the library. The fair will be an opportunity for us to let students know about international opportunities and to give the international students a forum for sharing their experiences.

• Dr. Ritchie – The Scholarship and Fellowship Committee
  o The Student Scholarship and Fellowship Committee met January 30th.
  o The Standout Student Celebration and Scholarship forum was a success with a great turn out and much interest from students.
  o A flyer with student opportunities and resources has been designed for use at Orientation, Campus Days, Student Research Day and other events.
  o We are working on a Website with resources for student opportunities, including flyer access, for use by all USCB students and faculty.
    o The Student Scholarship and Fellowship Committee
      Kimberly B. Ritchie, Chair
      Kimberly Cavanagh
      Beth Hammond
      Juanita (Babet) Villena-Alvarez

• Dr. Cavanagh –
  o Fulbright and International Opportunities (FIO), a sub-committee of the IPC
  o Fulbright Grant Workshop on Wednesday April 3rd from 5-6:30 in CC 106. All are welcome but we want to target rising seniors and graduating seniors since they are the ones eligible to apply in the next competition.
  o Fulbright Scholar Program is now open. These opportunities allow faculty to do flex scholarships over multiple summers. Deadline is early September.
• Ms. Hanes-Ramos –
  o Beaufort Library - Yesterday maintenance began cleaning books in the compact shelving area of the Beaufort Campus Library. Please inquire at the circulation desk if you need a book from this section (call numbers: A – PR461). Once the maintenance staff is finished cleaning for the day, we will retrieve the book and contact you when it is ready to be checked out.

• Dr. Calvert –
  o The African American History Month Kick-off was held on campus.
  o We have a shuttle that leaves from the Bluffton campus to the HHI campus.
  o We have bikes that are available for students.

• Dr. Barnes –
  o The Pen submissions are due today by 5 pm. Please encourage them to submit them.

• Dr. Violette
  o AAUP – There is still quite a bit of interest in having a chapter and we are still looking into the possibility. However, we do not need to have a chapter for you to be a member.

• Dr. Nelson
  o In March, we will be opening the meeting for nominations for committees, faculty senate secretary, & faculty senate chair-elect.

Adjournment