

Faculty Senate
Minutes
 April 8, 2021
 Zoom, 3:30 p.m.

Attendance (20-21):	Jon Westfall, Maia Elgin Wegmann, David Hebert, Josh Armstrong, Andrew Wegmann, Charlie Abraham, Margaret Katembe, Nakikke Johnson, Ky Johnson, Travis Calvin, Karen Bell, Leslie Mancini, John Alvarez, Clint Wood, Brian Becker, Michael Mounce, Richard Tremmel, Brett Oleis, Meredith Van Namen, Judith Coleman, James Gerald, Valerie Morgan, Cetin Oguz, Christie Sledge, AHM Reza, Carolyn Bailey, Addie Herrod,
Attendance (21-22)	Christie Sledge, AHM Reza, Carolyn Bailey, Valerie Morgan, Cetin Oguz, Brett Oleis, Meredith Van Namen, Brian Becker, Clint Wood, Ky Johnston, John Alvarez, Josh Armstrong, Andrew Wegmann, Charlie Abraham, Margaret Katembe, Nakikke Johnson, Jon Westfall, Maia Elgin Wegmann, Leslie Mancini, Karen Bell, Clint Wood, Addie Herrod,
1. Call to Order:	The meeting was called to order by President at 3:32
2. Announcements:	None

Agenda Item	Comments / Discussion	Motions	Action
3. Approval of Minutes of March 8, 2021 meeting	1. Vote to approve minutes	Motion: MEW Second: CW	Approved
4. President's Report	1. Cabinet Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Return to Normal Operations Taskforce <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. New changes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Daily checker and symptom recorder eliminated after May 3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Douglas says it IS useful b. But data is unclear 2. Masks will still be required 3. Arena capacity up to 75 4. Domestic travel approved starting July 1 5. Community use of facilities 		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6. Summer camps <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ii. Will reconvene mid-May b. Orientation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Faculty advising during orientation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Based on department 2. Department books sep. space 3. Has info ahead of time ii. 5 dates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. June 8, 22, 29, and July 27 in person 2. Virtual date on June 15 c. Budgeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. EC makes budget, Cabinet approves ii. Fac Senate has veto option 2. Faculty Presidential Forum <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. April 21, 3 p.m. b. Questions go to JW c. Wrap up of the semester 3. SGA Appointed Positions Applications 		
5. University Entities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Report from Staff Council: NJ 2. Report from BPAC: RT <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Free screening of <i>Narrowsburg</i> b. Almond Bets Band will give two discount concerts 		
6. Faculty Senate Committees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Committee on University Services: MEW, no report 2. Committee on University Standing: JW, no report 3. Committee on Elections: AH, no report 4. Committee on Technology: JA, no report 5. Committee on General Academic Affairs: JG (absent), no report 		
7. Writing Center Update: Judith Coleman	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Writing Center <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. WC Basics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Staffed by students <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Know DSU culture 2. In the classes students are writing for 3. Attend WC conferences 4. Up-to-date in WC pedagogy 		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ii. Higher order concerns (Tutor 24-7 handles more grammar) iii. Can notify professors if students have come in or used online service <p>b. Reasons for coming in</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Recruit new students (do not need to be English majors) ii. Spread the word/dispel misconceptions iii. Increase profile iv. Encourage students to use the service <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Tours available, too 2. JC can come to class <p>c. Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Currently online only (mywconline) ii. Plans to also have in person sessions in Fall iii. Looking into asynchronous tutoring iv. Workshops (started this Spring) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Led by tutors 2. Videos available for Canvas Shells <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Research b. Organization c. College level-writing d. Other issues v. Credit for WC visits phasing out next semester <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Still available this semester 2. Looking into other options <p>2. Questions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. JW: Academic Council reviewing activity courses (like WC) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Needs syllabus ii. Course action request iii. JC: Syllabus for WC credit underway 		
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	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What is a substantive session? 2. Move from 300 level to 100 <p>b. JW: Criticism of WC—doesn't do grammar</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. JC: Not a grammar-tutoring service <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Not enough time to “fix” with grammar issues 2. Not a proofreading service 3. Can address consistent issues in student writing 4. Can answer grammar questions <p>c. JW: So, not a blanket “no,” but won't do the work for students either</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. JC: Yes—talk through issues, but can't correct (plagiarism issue) <p>d. MVN: Resources for students with grammar issues?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. JC: Depends on when student comes in ii. No longer have writing proficiency exam / remedial courses for students who fail writing proficiency exam iii. student is on their own\ Comp completed at another school <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Online resources (Norton Little Seagull, Inquizitive) 2. <p>e. MVN: List of resources for faculty to give to students?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. JC: Writing Task Force put together a list a while ago ii. Can compile a new one: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Grammarly 2. Inquizitive (students who take comp or intro to lit with us have access already) <p>f. JW: Other resources—</p>		
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Student Success Writing Tutors ii. Writing Support Specialist Kristen Land g. AH: Distance Learners? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. JC: Yes ii. Mywritingcenteronline <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Coverage throughout day 2. And night hours as well h. jccoleman@gmail.com 		
8. By-law Change Vote	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. AW: Walk through of changes based on comments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Merit Pay Appeals <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Change in language ii. “Rebranding” committee as Faculty Evaluation Appeals Committee b. New subsection allowing electronic balloting for election of senators c. Edits broadening language for FS appointments to university committees d. Deleted sections e. Broad updates 2. No questions or discussion 3. Vote to approve 	<p>Motion: CW</p> <p>Second: JG</p>	Approved
9. New Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. None 		
10. Adjournment of Final Meeting of the 2020-2021 Year	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The meeting was adjourned by President JW at 4:19 		
11. Call to Order: First Meeting of the 2021-2022 Year	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The meeting was called to order by President JW at 4:19 		
12. Nomination of President-Elect / Vote	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. CO nominates AHM Reza 2. MEW nominates Zina Taran 3. AW nominates Josh Armstrong 		JA elected president elect with 9 votes
13. Nomination of Secretary / Vote	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. JW nominates Maia Elgin Wegmann 		MEW elected by default

<p>14. Adjournment of First Meeting of the 2021-2022 Year</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The meeting was adjourned by President JW at 4:46 2. Parting thoughts from JW <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Interesting year to be president <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Faculty divide on how to proceed with Covid ii. Walked the middle-line, compromise b. Enjoyed his time as pres 3. Thoughts from AW <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Thanks to Jon b. Wants to continue legacy of being heard c. New Provost, new opportunity <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Speak up ii. Work smoothly with Admin d. Open to discussion 		
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Next meetings

Executive Committee Meeting: April 29, 2021– Zoom
General Faculty Senate Meeting: May 6, 2021– Zoom