Year-End Report

Academic Year 2020-2021

1. Senate Elections Council

2. Council Members:

Name	Seat	Term
James Miles (co-chair)	Prof Staff	2020-2022
Linda (co-chair)	Library	2021-2023
Chris Herbert	COAC	2019-2021
Anita Kumar	COE	2020-2022
Joan Miller	СОВ	2020-2022
Sean Malloy	COHSS	2020-2022
Christina Mouser	COSH	2020-2022
[vacant]	Adjunct	n/a

3. Council Charges and Summary of Activities:

Standing Charges:

• Develop standardized procedures for all campus-wide elections.

The council continued to use Qualtrics for campus-wide elections with few errors. Errors included misspellings of nominee's names, which were quickly rectified.

 Conduct campus-wide elections according to the election policy for: University Promotion Committee (UPC), University Faculty Range Adjustment Committee (UFRAC), Assigned Released Time (ART) Committee, Sabbatical Leave Committee, Professional Staff Promotion Committee (PSPC)

Senate committee campus-wide elections were successfully conducted in the fall of 2020, which included two rounds of nominations, withdrawals and submission of biographies, and the election beginning on Oct. 28th, and concluding on Nov. 4th.

• Conduct Faculty Senate elections prior to April 30th.

The elections council conducted two elections during the 2020 – 2021 academic year.

General Faculty Senate elections were successfully conducted in the Spring of 2021 via Qualtrics, which included two rounds of nominations, withdrawals and submission of biographies, and the election beginning on March 30th, and concluding on April 28th.

Executive committee elections were successfully conducted via remote election on the virtual Senate floor during the final Senate Meeting for the 2020-2021 academic year. This election was conducted on Tuesday May 6th and resulted in the election of the new Executive Committee for the 2021-2022 academic year.

• Conduction several closed ballot motions for the Senate

Motion on Attendance (1000-level courses) conducted remotely on October 13th

Motion on RTP: "The RTP Document be forwarded to the administration with the expectation that it will then be sent to the Colleges and Departments for further development and guidelines" was conducted on October 27th

RESOLUTION: "The Faculty Senate, in agreement with the Faculty Union which represents the faculty at negotiations on layoffs, declines the administration's invitation to participate in developing criteria for program elimination, finding that it does not offer us a meaningful or morally acceptable role in shared governance." was conducted on Feb. 23rd.

Council charge for 2020-2021: No specific charges were given to the election council.

Recommended charges for the 2021-2022 academic year: The elections council will be reviewing updates to the election council handbook (*e.g. updating election procedure directions to the change from using the campus-vote.com system to Qualtrics in the fall of 2017 for campus-wide elections*), due to the last update of the handbook being April of 2017.