CSBS Senate Minutes
Monday, October 6th, 2014
Sabin 315 3:15pm

Present: Tim Strauss (Geography), Chuck Holcombe (History, Chair of the Senate), Andy Gilpin (Psychology; Vice Chair of the Senate), Ga-Young Choi (Social Work), William Henninger (SAHS), Alexandra Kogl (Political Science), Brenda Bass (Dean), Tyler O’Brien (SAC), and Captain Dan Nesdahl (Military Science)

I. Previous Minutes Approved with amendment of “years” to “2 years”

II. College Faculty Meeting – Oct. 20th – 3:15pm
   a. Susan Hill is interested, she is confirming attendance
      i. Members would be supportive of her giving an overview of the services of the Center
   b. Potentially Provost Licari coming to speak
      i. Contingent on his schedule being cleared
      ii. Dean Bass will follow up and see if he is available
   c. Other Topics that Dean Bass Could Cover
      i. Dr. Kogl suggest Dean speaking about a mismatch of values (e.g., research and teaching from Dr. Peter’s remarks at the Fall Faculty Meeting).
         1. Possibly Dean Bass’s thoughts on Dr. Peter’s remarks on mismatch of values at Senate meeting
         2. Dr. Choi -How are different departments assessing teaching ability in lieu of formal assessments
         3. Dr. Gilpin – Potentially having a combination of Department Heads & PAC chairs on how teaching is being weighed for Promotion and Tenure issues
         4. Senators should nominate DHs or P&T chairs:
            a. Dr. O’Brien nominates Dr. Baker
            b. Dr. Kogl nominates Dr. Hoffman
            c. Dr. MacLin (as P&T chair)
            d. Dr. Lynch (as former P&T chair transitioning to Department Chair)
         5. Having 2-3 concrete questions to answer for the panel would be ideal
            a. Dr. Holcombe will moderate the panel
            b. These questions should be given to panelists ahead of time
            c. Asking for opinion/views on Dr. Peter’s statements at the Fall Faculty Meeting
            d. Comments on gap in student assessments due to revamp of tool
            e. What improved supports could be available for
teaching/research or a problem you have solved in your department
f. How would you characterize the incentive structure for the balance between research and teaching, given the mission of the University?
g. How are specific types of research weighed
h. Panelists:
   i. Dr. Susan Hill
   ii. Dr. Baker
   iii. Dr. Hoffman
   iv. Dr. MacLin
   v. Alternate DR. Lynch
i. Invitation should articulate why this panel will be useful to all CSBS departments and schools
d. Dean Bass is willing to give an overview of the “State of the College” or giving an overview of most pressing issues
   i. Would like to make the meeting engaging to bolster faculty attendance
   ii. Recognition of faculty awards will continue
   iii. Would like to make it a “Faculty Senate Meeting” as opposed to the “Dean’s Meeting”
   iv. Senate Members would like Dean Bass to speak
e. Past Meetings centered around
   i. United Faculty speaking
   ii. A representative of OSRP to talk about funding
f. Other college’s meetings
   i. CHAS – The Senate decides on a topic for the Dean to cover and they invite someone to also speak
g. Sequence of Events:
   i. Opening (2-3 minutes)
   ii. Intros of new Faculty (10-15)
   iii. Awards (10 minutes)
   iv. Dr. Licari (10 – 15 min)
   v. Joint comment between Dr. Holcombe & Dean Bass on new format of meeting (5 min)
   vi. Panel (30 min)
h. Please ask new Faculty to attend

III. Vote to Officially Invite Dean to proceed with College Faculty Meeting passes

IV. CSBS representative on the Graduate Council
   a. Dr. Nesbit has offered to continue
   b. Dr. Holcombe will put election in motion

V. Department Head Evaluation tool edits
   a. Dean Bass has issues with properties of tool
   b. Would like to make amendments with the agreement of CSBS Senate
   c. Dean Bass and Dr. Lousch would make a draft tool and bring it back to CSBS Senate
   d. The Senate Approves
VI. Strategic Plan is Sun-setting at the end of the year
   a. Potentially extending current SP until after the Master Agreement, Efficiency Study and Provost are sorted out
   b. Potential downside – Division of assets would we be affected by this with an extended Strategic Plan
   c. Dean Bass does not foresee this extension as a likely issue, but has noted this potential issue
   d. What is the status of the SP:
      i. Pieces have been done, there is plenty to still be done
      ii. Plan still fits the culture and the mission of the college
   e. Will discuss this at next meeting, possibly a vote (Nov. 3rd)

Meeting Adjourned 4:37

Respectfully submitted by Dr. William R. Henninger IV