

East Georgia State College Faculty Senate

Minutes

April 1, 2021

12 p.m. Meeting being Zoomed to all Faculty Senate members

Type of meeting: Regular Meeting

Meeting Facilitator: Laura Chambers, President

- I. Open Pre-meeting discussion
- II. Call to order (12 p.m.) – regular meeting – ninth meeting of 2020-21 academic year
- III. Roll call –

Present: Laura Chambers (President), Mark Hovind (Parliamentarian), Armond Boudreaux, Deborah Lee, Sue Bragg, Darlene Dickens, and John Gleissner (Secretary)

All members present.

- IV. Greeting of Visitors – none
- V. Approval of minutes from March 2021 meeting and Adoption of Agenda

Approved as read by unanimous consent.

- VI. Committee Reports – APCC (Chambers)

President Chambers reported that the APCC has asked the Senate to table for further discussion Item b under new business - Early At-Risk Alert Procedure.

- VII. Unfinished Business—none

- VIII. Open Issues

- IX. New Business (Order of New Business is subject to change)

- a. APCC item: EGSC RN to BSN Cooperative Academic Arrangement

A discussion was held concerning the arrangement. The request came from the University System concerning the intent and authority under which the arrangements party could act. It was noted that the request came before notification of discussions on the program viability would be held.

A motion to accept the item as read was made and unanimously approved.

- b. APCC item: Early At-Risk Alert Procedure (to be discussed but tabled pending investigation)

The item was tabled and the opinion of faculty will be solicited through email.

APCC item: Proposal to Change Course Descriptions for BIOL 1103 and BIOL 1104 and Add Prerequisite for BIOL 1103 and BIOL 1104

A discussion was held pre-meeting via email from March 22 up to the meeting to discuss the proposal. No corrections or questions were raised during the discussion.

A motion to approve the item was made and approved by unanimous vote.

- c. APCC item: Georgia History and Constitution Exam Policy

A discussion was held pre-meeting via email from March 22 up to the meeting to discuss the proposal. No corrections or questions were raised during the discussion.

A motion to approve the item was made and approved by unanimous vote.

- d. APCC item: Proposal to Change Course Descriptions for BIOL 1103L and BIOL 1104L

A discussion was held pre-meeting via email from March 22 up to the meeting to discuss the proposal. No corrections or questions were raised during the discussion.

A motion to approve the item was made and approved by unanimous vote.

- e. APCC item: Proposal to Change Course Descriptions for BIOL 1107 and BIOL 1108

A discussion was held pre-meeting via email from March 22 up to the meeting to discuss the proposal. No corrections or questions were raised during the discussion.

A motion to approve the item was made and approved by unanimous vote.

- f. APCC item: Update Prerequisite and Course Description for BIOL 3440 (Natural History)

A discussion was held pre-meeting via email from March 22 up to the meeting to discuss the proposal. No corrections or questions were raised during the discussion.

A motion to approve the item was made and approved by unanimous vote.

- g. APCC item: Update Prerequisite and Modify Course Description for BIOL 3450 (Conservation Biology)

A discussion was held pre-meeting via email from March 22 up to the meeting to discuss the proposal. No corrections or questions were raised during the discussion.

A motion to approve the item was made and approved by unanimous vote.

h. Creation of Subcommittee to Review Post Tenure Review Policy

A motion to create a subcommittee of the Senate to review the Post Tenure Review Policy was made and seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Senators Lee and Dickens were nominated by the members to serve on the committee. The Senators accepted the nominations. Nominations were closed and a motion was made to appoint Senators Lee and Dickens to the committee. The motion was carried by unanimous vote.

A discussion was held on the process and it was decided the committee would work with James E. Beall, Associate VP for Academic. It is hoped that the process could be streamlined and the number to review established.

i. Elections: At-Large Senator, President, and perhaps one H/SS Senator? (Please note that Laura Chambers would like to remain Faculty Senate President for the upcoming year, but if anyone else wants the position, nominations will be taken at this meeting and a vote will be conducted.)

A motion was made to open nominations for Senator At-Large for the next academic year. The faculty would be solicited for nominations. A deadline of April 23 for nominations followed by an online vote would be held. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made to renew Senator Boudreaux's appointment for the next academic year, and seconded. Senator Boudreaux accepted the nomination. The motion was unanimously passed.

A motion to extend the exemption of Tenure for the President of the Senate till next term was made, seconded, and unanimously passed.

A motion was made to renew Senator Chambers' position as President of the Senate.

Discussion was held as to other Senators' nominations as President. No nominations were made.

Senator Chambers was reelected to President of the Senate by a vote of 7-0. Note that this follows the exemption of Tenure for the President's seat.

X. Adjournment

The next meeting of the Faculty Senate will be at 12:00 p.m. on May 6, 2021 via Zoom.

The meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent at 12:50 p.m. this date.