



Faculty Senate Minutes for April 12, 2021

Members present: Terry Williams, Amanda Smith, Brooke Ayars, Gregory Byard, Joann Chang, Julie Floss, Kara Tucker, Kenneth Dale, Kristine Duke, Lee Altman, Rita Brown, Scott Donnelly, Steven Lund, Ila Peterson, Trisha Campbell, Matthew Smith, Maureen Garrett, Liza Martinez, and David Kern

- A. Review of the minutes from last meeting.
 - a. Approved by 14 senators

- B. Updates on Old Business:
 - a. Commencement
 - i. Be sure to pick 1 or both of the nights—Thursday, May 13th or Friday, May 14th.
 - b. Startup week
 - i. Dr. Corr and Dr. Diane Carrasco-Jaquez are in agreement with a Tuesday evening startup meeting. This should be for everyone including adjuncts.
 - 1. A question was raised about how beneficial this will be for adjuncts, but we'll just have to see.
 - 2. It was suggested that the startup meetings be more “productive” with perhaps updates from the summer/changes in policy/those things impactful in the classroom.
 - 3. This will be in person for Fall 2021.
 - 4. There was a request for an online option for the startup meeting.

- C. New Business
 - a. Two-factor authentication
 - i. Some faculty are reporting bugs and issues with it.
 - ii. General question: Can mandatory password changes be delayed now that we have two-factor authentication?
 - b. Faculty morale and general inquiries
 - i. There is rumor that there is a new appointed Associate Dean position. However that has neither been confirmed or denied.
 - ii. General point of concern: there seems to be a trend that faculty are being squelched or pushed out of advanced administrative positions.
 - iii. Today's Facebook live event was scheduled during faculty class-time, which meant faculty were unable to attend. The event was recorded so faculty can view it, but the late notice of the event and the time make it difficult for a true shared governance. There is a lot of concern about ow these decisions--and many others--are being made and the lack of involvement by those most affected by that decision making. Senate looks forward to more

