Minutes for AY 17-18 Senate Meeting #4
3:00pm-5:00 pm
Senate Meeting Date: Monday, November 27, 2017
Senate Meeting Locations


Officers: (Downtown) Bonifas, Cataldo, Rounds; (Polytechnic) Cooke, Kyselka, Maltz, Shovkovy; (Tempe) Bodman, McGregor, E. Moore, Rose; (West) Anderson, Elenes, Stantchev

Ex Officio: (Tempe) Alfredo Artiles, Carol Comito

Guests: (Tempe) Stefanie Lindquist, Becky Herbst; (West) Eduardo Pagan

Absences: (Downtown) Dahl-Popolizio (excused), Fellmeth; (Polytechnic) Garg (excused), Hollinger (excused), Pitts (excused); (Tempe) Chong, Griffith (excused), Jones, W. Li, McBeath, McPhee, Mehra, Mokwa (excused), J. Moore (excused), Sweeney (excused); (West) Burleson

1. Campuses Sound Checks
2. Call to Order
   a. Welcome from Senate President Arnie Maltz
   b. Quorum requirements met with 96 in attendance
3. Informational Reports
   a. Morgan Olsen-Executive VP and Treasurer + CFO
Morgan Olsen provided an update regarding the Novus Innovation Center, the athletic facilities district in Tempe approved by the state legislature in 2010. The state universities have opportunities to create districts comparably. This is intended to be an urban, mixed-use development that will redefine downtown Tempe and the Tempe Town Lake Area and create new revenue streams. The development will feature commercial office buildings, including companies who want to work with the University, as well as multifamily residential housing for working professionals, faculty and staff. Phase 1 of the development is in place, which includes the State Farm Marina Heights area. Private funding was obtained for this project. It includes university land which is currently not used for university core purposes. Phase 2 of the development includes Sun Devil Stadium. Plans for the stadium include Sun Devil 365 and using the stadium for events besides football games. Phase 3 will be constructed near Rural and University, featuring G Street, space for meetings, entertainment and food establishments. ISTB7 will be built and include an entire block. This is an extension of the research district to include the Global Institute of Sustainability. Near the Tempe town Lake, building height is expected to reach 15 stories. Bike lanes, walkable corridors will be established.

Senators at West campus asked about what is planned for the empty land near West campus. Mr. Olsen stated that each campus has a master plan. To date ASU has invested ~ $60 million in capital investment projects at West campus over the last 4-5 years. As demand increases and the right opportunities present themselves they anticipate growing the West campus to ~15,000 students. Senator Wells expressed concerns that the ASU Karsten Golf Course will be replaced as a result of the Innovation Corridor and the development will add to the Valley heat island and eliminate public recreation spaces. Senator Wells also expressed his opinion and disappointment that in light of significant state budget cuts, the university is using assets to benefit athletics rather than advance higher education.

4. UAC Chair’s Report – Arnie Maltz, Senate President and Chair of the UAC

Donna Cataldo, past-president of the Downtown campus, is the newly elected University Senate President-Elect and Chair Elect of the University Academic Council for 2017-18. Shirley Rose, Tempe campus president, is the new PAC-12 Academic Leadership Coalition representative and will serve a three year term. This month’s Senator Spotlight features Marco Janssen with the School of Sustainability.

As a follow-up to the October University Senate meeting, concerns were raised about course adoptions under the consent agenda. Senators should inform the Senate office no later than noon on the Friday before each University Senate meeting if they have an issue with course(s) on the consent agenda. The searches for new University Deans are almost complete. Faculty members are needed for the new General Education task force; interested senators should contact President Maltz. Service recognition letters will go out to unit chairs/directors in December. The fall preference survey is out, nominations for campus president-elect and members of the grievance committees are being accepted.

At the recent Arizona Board of Regents meeting, three issues were raised by the Arizona Faculties Council: updating the academic freedom policy in the ABOR; percentage of non-tenure eligible faculty on multiyear contracts should be determined by each university; faculty members recommend keeping the current Title IX process that addresses sexual assault. The Arizona Board of Regents will be meeting with ASU faculty in February. President Maltz is recruiting faculty members to attend the breakfast meeting.

5. Highlighted Committee Report - Personnel Committee, Becky Ladd, Chair

Becky Ladd stated that merit pay is of great importance. She asked for feedback from the Senate concerning their understanding and satisfaction with the current process. A poll was conducted with the following results:
Question 1: How satisfied are you with how merit pay raises are distributed within your unit?

- More than 44 percent reported being dissatisfied or very dissatisfied while 26 percent indicated satisfied or very satisfied. Approximately 30 percent were neutral.

Question 2: Given your level of understanding about the merit distribution process, how satisfied are you?

- More than 70 percent reported the know very little or nothing about how salary issues are decided; of these, approximately 93 percent said they want to understand the process while 7 percent said they trust those in charge to make the decision to know what is fair.

- More than 30 percent indicated they are very aware of the process in salary decisions. Of these, 27 percent said they are satisfied with the process whereas 73 percent have concerns.

Question 3: How does the prospect of a merit raise impact your motivation or sense of engagement with ASU?

- Approximately 59 percent reported that it increases their motivation and engagement, 35 percent stated it has no impact on motivation and engagement, and 8 percent indicated it decreases motivation and engagement.

Senators were asked to recommend issues for the personnel committee to review. The Downtown Phoenix campus indicated they would like the committee to address how the FAR/performance evaluation is related to the merit increase.

6. New Business

   a. CAPC motions

Senate Motion 2018-19 Request from the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences – School of Historical, Philosophical and Religious Studies – for the disestablishment of an undergraduate certificate – East Asian Studies

Senate Motion 2018-20 Request from the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences – School of Mathematical and Statistical Sciences – for the establishment of a graduate degree – Actuarial Science

Senate Motion 2018-21 Request from the Ira A. Fulton Schools of Engineering – Dean’s Office – for the disestablishment of an undergraduate certificate – Technology Entrepreneurship

Senate Motion 2018-22 Request from the College of Public Service and Community Solutions – Dean’s Office - for the establishment of an undergraduate certificate - Cross-Sector Leadership

Senate Motion 2018-23 Request from the College of Public Service and Community Solutions –School of Criminology and Criminal Justice- for the establishment of an undergraduate certificate - Law and Human Behavior

Senate Motion 2018-24 Request from the College of Public Service and Community Solutions –School of Community Resources and Development- for the establishment of an undergraduate degree – BS in Tourism and Recreation Management
Old Business

b. New course proposal consent agenda distributed via e-mail on 11-15-2017

Senate Motion 2018-18 new course proposal consent agenda.

Senator Benkert requested that the following courses be withdrawn from the consent agenda for discussion: CEL 305, 320 and 485 as they overlap with HIS courses. Prior to voting the courses withdrawn for discussion from the consent agenda was revised to include only CEL 305 and 320

Yes = 91  No = 2  Abstain = 9
Motion to approve the new course proposal consent agenda minus CEL 305, 320

Senate discussion ensued regarding courses CEL 305 and 320 and their possible conflict with other unit offerings. After discussion CEL 305 and 320 were voted on.

Final Votes Recorded
Yes = 48  No = 29  Abstain = 23
Motion to approve course proposals CEL 305, 320 was approved

b. CAPC consent agenda

Send questions/feedback on all CAPC motions to the Chair, Caroline Harrison, at Caroline.Harrison@asu.edu

Senate Motion 2018-15 Request from the College of Nursing and Health Innovation- for the disestablishment of a graduate certificate – Child and Adolescent Mental Health Intervention Specialist

Senate Motion 2018-16 Request from the School of Sustainability- for the establishment of a graduate certificate –Environmental and Sustainability Economics

Senate Motion 2018-17 Request from the W.P. Carey School of Business- Morrison School of Agribusiness - for the establishment of an undergraduate certificate –Risk Management

Final Votes Recorded
Yes = 86  No = 1  abstain = 4
Senate Motions 2018-15, 16 and 17 were approved

7. Committee Reports

a. Committee on Committees, Chris Kyselka, Chair
   The committee met to go over selecting nominees for the spring academic assembly elections.

b. University Services and Facilities Committee, Thurmon Lockhart, Chair
   The committee is looking at several issues and gathering information about dark areas on campus, lactation rooms, building maintenance, parking and sound levels

c. Library Liaison Committee, Catherine O’Donnell, Chair – no report
8. Open forum

In response to a concern from Senator Lyons, President Maltz stated that the University will be lobbying against the House Bill as part of the new tax plan currently under consideration by the U.S. Congress. The House Bill includes removing the tuition waiver for graduate students. Dean Artiles added that the university is advocating for the option that has the least impact to students.

Senator Tracogna mentioned concerns about the policy that states online students must have a photo on file which is important for the academic integrity policy. The faculty in her unit report that more than 70% of students do not have a photo on file. The University SunCard office informed her they cannot enforce the university policy. Senator Tracogna inquired about whether the faculty can put a hold on student grades until a photo is on file. President Maltz responded that Fred Corey will follow up.

9. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 4:38 p.m.