

Agenda for the Faculty Senate Meeting
May 11, 2021
WebEx, 11:30 AM–1:30 PM

- I. Convening of the meeting – Denis Blackmore, President
- II. Approval of minutes of 4/20/21 meeting
- III. Report of the Faculty Senate President (≅ 2 min.)
 - a. Presidential search
 - b. Valediction
- IV. Presentation by President Joel Bloom (≅ 20 min.)
- V. Department Name Change for Humanities: Dean Kevin Belfield (≅ 10 min.)
- VI. M.S. in Biology and Health: Dirk Bucher (≅ 10 min.)
- VII. Best Places to Work in NJ Survey: Vice President Dale McLeod (≅ 10 min.)
- VIII. CFRR Report: Amit Bose (≅ 20 min.)
- IX. CGE Report: Sotirios Zivras (≅ 15 min.)
- X. CUE Report: David Horntrop (≅ 15 min.)
- XI. Honors Thesis Application: Rajpal Sodhi (≅ 5 min.)
- XII. Vice Presidential Vote (≅ 15 min.)
- XIII. New Business

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- I. Convening of the meeting-Denis Blackmore, President
The meeting started at 11:30AM
- II. Voting Members Present: P. Armenante, I. Gatley, A. Gerbessiotis, N. Maher, A. Rosato, Q. Jones, R. Sodhi, D. Bunker, S. Adamovich, A. Martin-Utrera, L. Rodriguez-Freire, M. Schwartz, M. Vinnikov, M. Bandelt, G. Esperdy, D. Horntrop, A. Kosovichev, D. Blackmore, A. Borgaonkar, R. Goodman, N. Steffen, E. Thomas, E. Farinas, H. Grebel, U. Roshan, R. Rojas-Cessa, B. Khusid, Y. Perl,
- III. Non-Voting Members Present: A. Dhawan, K. Belfield, A. Hoang, L. Hamilton, M. Kam, F. Deek, B. Kolarevic, K. Sandell, K. Riismandel, B. Baltzis, O. Tukel, M. Stanko
- IV. Guests Present: Dale McLeod (Human Resources), Dirk Bucher (Biological Sciences), Cesar Bandera (MTSM), Laurent Simon (Undergraduate Studies), Julie Ancis (Humanities), David Bader (Computer Science), John Wolf (CSLA), Joel Bloom (President), Heidi Young (Humanities), Zhipeng Yan (MTSM), Maurie Cohen (Humanities), N. Ravindra (Physics), Amitabha. Bose (Mathematical Sciences), Burcak Ozludil (ADHC), Sotirios Ziavras (Graduate Studies)
- V. Approval of the 4/20/2021 Minutes
Motion to approve the minutes by D. Blackmore and seconded by A. Gerbessiotis. The minutes were approved unanimously.
- VI. Report of the Faculty Senate President
D. Blackmore: The Presidential Search Committee had its first meeting. The Search firm is still looking for candidates.
- VII. Presentation by President Joel Bloom
Dr. Bloom gave his presentation on Tatweer/Egypt. Asked for the endorsement of the Faculty Senate. Q&A with discussion followed. Motion to disapprove of this program by Y. Perl and seconded by A. Gerbessiotis. Discussion followed. Motion to table Y. Perl's motion by I. Gatley and seconded by R. Sodhi. The motion to table Y. Perl's motion was approved with 13 yes, 12 no, and 1 abstention. I. Gatley then motioned, Q. Jones seconded, for an ad hoc committee to be formed to review the Tatweer/Egypt program. The motion for an hoc committee to be formed was approved with 19 yes, 4 no, and 3 abstentions. D. Blackmore charged I. Gatley to form the ad hoc committee.

- VIII. Department name change for Humanities: Dean Kevin Belfied
Dean Belfied gave his presentation on the Department name change for Humanities. Q&A followed. Motion to approve department name change by D. Blackmore and seconded by Y. Perl. Motion was approved with 1 no and 0 abstentions.
- IX. MS in Biology and Health: Dirk Bucher
Dirk Bucher gave a presentation on MS in Biology and Health Program. Went over the curriculum and the consultant's report. Q & A followed. D. Blackmore made a motion to approve the new program with A. Rosato seconded. Motion was approved unanimously.
- X. Best Places to Work in NJ Survey: VP Dale McLeod
Dale McLeod gave his presentation on the Best Places to Work in NJ survey. Asked for the Faculty Senate to help facilitate faculty members replying to the survey.
- XI. CGE Report: Sotirios Ziavras
Motion to set the minimum cumulative GPA to receive a graduate certificate to 2.75 (instead of the current 3.0) for students who do not enroll in a related master's degree program. Motion to approve by S. Ziavras and seconded by D. Blackmore. Motion was approved unanimously.
Motion to approve changes to MS in Chemistry, MS in Computer Engineering, MS in Electrical Engineering, MS in Environmental Science, MS in Management, MS in Occupational Safety and Health Engineering, MS in Power and Energy Systems, MS in Telecommunications, and PhD in Environmental Science. Motion to approve for all programs by S. Ziavras and seconded by D. Blackmore. Motion was approved unanimously.

The meeting ended at 1:36PM and would be continued the following week.

Minutes for the Completion of the last 5/11/2021 Faculty Senate Meeting
May 18, 2021
WebEx, 11:30AM-1:30PM

- I. Convening of the meeting-Denis Blackmore, President
The meeting started at 1:31PM

- II. Voting Members Present: P. Armenante, I. Gatley, A. Gerbessiotis, N. Maher, A Rosato, Q. Jones, R. Sodhi, D. Bunker, S. Adamovich, A. Martin-Utrera, L. Rodriguez-Freire, M. Schwartz, M. Vinnikov, M. Bandelt, G. Esperdy, D. Horntrop, A. Kosovichev, D. Blackmore, A. Borgaonkar, R. Goodman, N. Steffen, E. Thomas, E. Farinas, H. Grebel, U. Roshan, R. Rojas-Cessa, B. Khusid, Y. Perl,

- III. Non-Voting Members Present: A. Dhawan, K. Belfield, A. Hoang, L. Hamilton, M. Kam, F. Deek, B. Kolarevic, K. Sandell, K. Riismandel, B. Baltzis, O. Tukel, M. Stanko

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- V. CFRR Report: Amit Bose
Amit Bose gave his report on CFRR. Motion for a Faculty Senate Policy on college wide voting by Amit Bose and seconded by A. Borgaonkar. Q&A with discussion followed. A. Gerbessiotis motioned to table the motion with no second. Amit withdrew the motion. Motion to approve the request to IST for the development and deployment of an electronic voting system by A. Bose and seconded by Q. Jones. Q & A with discussion followed. The motion was approved with 18 yes, 3 no, and 1 abstention.

- VI. CUE Report: David Horntrop
BS in Forensic Science (Forensic Biology concentration): Motion to approve changes by D. Horntrop and seconded by D. Blackmore. Motion was approved.
Minor in Forensic Science: Motion to approve changes by D. Horntrop and seconded by D. Blackmore. Motion was approved.
Double major in Biochemistry/Forensic Science (Forensic Biology Concentration): Motion to approve changes by D. Horntrop and seconded by D. Blackmore. Motion was approved.
BS in Business (Accounting Concentration): Motion to approve changes by D. Horntrop and seconded by D. Blackmore. Motion was approved.
Minor in Business: Motion to approve changes by D. Horntrop and seconded by D. Blackmore. Motion was approved.
Minor in Innovation and Entrepreneurship: Motion to approve changes by D. Horntrop and seconded by D. Blackmore. Motion was approved.

BS in Materials Engineering (Co-op versions): Motion to approve changes by D. Hornthrop and seconded by D. Blackmore. Motion was approved.

BS in Computing and Business: Motion to approve changes by D. Hornthrop and seconded by N. Steffen-Fluhr. Motion was approved.

Minor in Computer Science (for Computer Engineering majors): Motion to approve changes by D. Hornthrop and seconded by D. Blackmore. Motion was approved.

Double major in CS/Mathematical Sciences (Applied Mathematics concentration): Motion to approve changes by D. Hornthrop and seconded by D. Blackmore. Motion was approved.

Double major in CS/Mathematical Sciences (Computational Mathematics concentration): Motion to approve changes by D. Hornthrop and seconded by D. Blackmore. Motion was approved.

BS in Applied Physics: Motion to approve changes by D. Hornthrop and seconded by D. Blackmore. Motion was approved.

BS in General Engineering: Motion to approve changes by D. Hornthrop and seconded by A. Borgaonkar. Motion was approved.

Bachelor of Architecture: Motion to approve changes by D. Hornthrop and seconded by E. Thomas. Motion was approved.

BS in Architecture: Motion to approve changes by D. Hornthrop and seconded by D. Blackmore. Motion was approved.

COM 315 (Environmental Communication) as a History and Humanities 300+ Level GER course: Motion to approve changes by D. Hornthrop and seconded by D. Blackmore. Motion was approved.

STS 365 (Animal Intelligence and Ethics) as a History and Humanities 300+ Level GER course: Motion to approve changes by D. Hornthrop and seconded by D. Blackmore. Motion was approved.

BIOL 115 (Evolution and Biology of Sex) as a Scientific Literacy GER course: Motion to approve changes by D. Hornthrop and seconded by D. Blackmore. Motion was approved.

BIOL 150 (Living in a Variable Universe) as a Scientific Literacy GER course: Motion to approve changes by D. Hornthrop and seconded by D. Blackmore. Motion was approved.

VII. Vice President Vote
Will decided in September

The meeting ended at 3:05 PM