Minutes of the Faculty Senate Meeting  
September 15, 2016  
Albert Dorman Honors College Conference Room (211), 11:30 AM–1:30 PM

I. Convening of the Meeting – Daniel Bunker, President  
Meeting started at 11:45AM

II. Roll Call  
The following non-voting members were present: C. Arya (student), C. Fey, D. Ullman, K. Belfield, U. Gauchat, M. Ruskindiewicz, A. Hoang, K. Rismendel, C. Roche.  
The following guests were present: K. Turner, N. Hark, J. Daniel, N. Steffen-Fuhr, G. Mass, M. Halper, G. Milano.

III. Approval of Minutes of the Faculty Senate meeting on April 21, 2016  
The minutes from the April 21, 2016 meeting were approved (17 yes, 0 no, 1 abstention)

III. Report of the Faculty Senate President  
A. Faculty Senate and Faculty meeting dates for Fall 2016  
B. Approval of the streamlined Faculty Handbook by the Board of Trustees  
C. Update on Default Department Bylaws and plans for implementation of Department Bylaws  
   Bylaws are posted on Provost website. Members should encourage their departments to review.  
D. Course scheduling update  
   Spring ‘17 scheduling done by departmental administrators and the Registrar’s office. Fall ’17 scheduling will be done by Infosilem. Spring ’18 scheduling will be done by departmental administrators and the Registrar’s office.  
E. Faculty Hiring  
   20 new faculty members hired this year, and 20 new hires expected for Fall ’17  
F. Committee assignments  
   D. Bunker mentioned the need of Faculty Senate reps for five standing committees and others.

IV. Faculty Senate Elections  
   One Member of the Executive committee (Anthony Rosato, MIE, and Anthony Schuman, CoAD were elected in the spring)  
   Discussion and vote. E. Michalopoulou nominated E. Thomas. A. Saadeghvaziri nominated Q. Jones. 12 in favor of Ellen, 7 in favor of Quentin, 1 in favor of Alan, 1 in favor of yes, 1 abstain. E. Thomas elected to Executive Committee

V. Faculty Search and Selection Guidelines – Discussion and vote, Nancy Steffen-Fuhr  
   Motion by U. Gauchat to change phrase “creative academics” to “Research, Scholarship, and Creative Work.” Motion was moved and seconded. (20 yes, 0 no, 0 abstention)
Motion to add links to appendices to FSSG to define “underrepresented minorities”. (21 yes, 0 no, 1 abstention)

VI. Motion to approve preliminarily an MS program in Data Science from CS – Usman Roshan

H. Grebel moved to table the motion to approve the MS program, the motion to table was not seconded.

Motion to approve moving forward with new program for MS in Data Science in CCS. (21 yes, 0 no, 1 abstention) Note that the proposal will be considered again by FS after it has been review by New Jersey college and university presidents and en external consultant.

VII. Announcement from CCS – Dean Marek Rusinkiewicz

Presentation was made regarding changing the name of the College, from "Ying Wu College of Computing Sciences" to "Ying Wu College of Computing."

Similarly, changing the name of the "Department of Information Systems" to the "Department of Informatics."

Furthermore, an Announcement was made that the Information Technology program will move into the newly named Department of Informatics.

Senators expressed support for these changes.

VIII. Report on the Gateway Program– Gordon Thomas

IX. Other Business

1. Motion by I. Gatley for FS to proceed in developing language in Faculty Handbook + PSA regarding “Active Service Modified Duty and the Tenure Track Period.” Motion was moved and seconded. (22 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions)