# UNIVERSITY SENATE Agenda February 6, 2019

- Approval of November 7, 2018 University Senate meeting minutes
- President's Report Dr. Joel Bloom
- Reports of standing committees
  - o Committee on Strategic Planning Steering Committee Fadi Deek
  - o Committee on Finances Ed Bishof
  - o Committee on Human Resources Chitra Iyer
- University Senate President's report

#### **UNIVERSITY SENATE**

Minutes
February 6, 2019

APPROVED

<u>In attendance</u>: B. Baltzis, J. Bedient, M. Boger, R. Cassetta, A. Christ, G. Cuzzola, F. Deek, J. Esche, B. Haggerty, M. Kam, S. Kent, B. Kimmelman, B. Lazer, S. Lieber, P. Petropoulous, K. Quackenbush, L. Simon, S. Ziavras, K. Belfield, E. Bishof, A. Dhawan, C. Iyer, T. Schuman, H. Stern, C. Bartolomeo, J. Jimenez, N. Steffen, T. Bermeo, P. Kenrick

Meeting called to order at 10:02 a.m.

Unanimous approval of November 7, 2018 meeting minutes.

### **Report of Standing Committees**

## • Committee on Finances: Mr. Ed Bishof

Committee met in January and discussed the following topics:

- FY19 budget status
- FY20 budget status
- o FY19 internal audits
- Executive summary of long term debt update
- Status of FY19 financial statements
- o Highlander eMerchant update
- Anthony Travel usage
- Chrome River usage

#### • Committee on Human Resources: Ms. Chitra Iver

Committee scheduled to meet week of February 11.

They are working on a "recognition program" with the help of IT.

Committee is partnering with Athletics on a wellness initiative.

### • Committee on Facilities, Mr. Andrew Christ

Committee scheduled to meet week of February 11 and will review FY20 capital budget. A Real Estate Town Hall meeting has been scheduled for March 27<sup>th</sup>.

## • Committee on Campus Life: Dr. Marybeth Boger

NJIT has opened a food pantry.

There is a new initiative to work on school spirit throughout campus.

#### Committee on Information Systems and Communications: Mr. Blake Haggerty

- 1. There will be (2) security updates in the next several weeks, including:
  - a) Screen locks after 30 minutes
  - b) Default administrator passwords

- c) Implementation of "myucid.njit.edu" this will improve ease of management of all accounts and passwords
- 2. Phishing alerts: inserted a Cisco umbrella in the past 6 months. Any abuses to be sent to <a href="mailto:abuse@njit.edu">abuse@njit.edu</a>.

### **University Senate President's Report**

- 2020 Vision and the next cycle of planning > "2020 +" or "Beyond 2020"
  - needs analysis
  - identifying our peers / this will be presented to the BoT initially, and then rolled out to the NJIT community
- Discussion on the newly extended drop/add period and possible ramifications
- Faculty hiring expect to hire about 20 new faculty
- Dean searches (MTSM and CoAD) both coming to closure
- IT infrastructure
  - ➤ IT enterprise will be moved to a new location where there will be a back up generator
  - No decision has been made regarding HPC nodes and outsourcing
  - An assessment exercise will be implemented with the guidance of an outside consultant to evaluate where we are, what our needs and desires are, etc. This should conclude by the end of the fiscal year
  - All constituents on campus will have the opportunity to give feedback

Meeting was adjourned at 11:45am