Faculty Council
April 15, 2019
Minutes

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Attendees: Joannie Busillo Aguayo; Jack Bagwell; Sandra Chong; Rachel Friedman-Narr; Virginia Kennedy; David Kretschmer; Cat Gaspard; Jordan Eickman; Shari Tarver-Behring (Ex-Officio, Interim Dean); Ivor Weiner (President). Excused: Kathleen Rowlands

Approval of Minutes
- The minutes of March, 3 2019 were reviewed and approved.

Computer Update - Anthony Nguyen, Information Tech Consultant, MDECOE
- Reported that the previous Faculty Council established a 3-year computer refresh program.
- Reported that there are over 260 computers in the MDECOE; 231 are over 6 years old, many as old as 10 years.
- Reported that old computers are difficult to maintain, update, and pose a security risk to the MDECOE.
- Reported that the option to lease through Apple is a viable one but leaves PC users left out. PC maintenance is much easier as the University has a universal license. CSUN does not have an agreement with Apple, a company that tends to upgrade their operating software often, leaving existing Apple computers obsolete.
- Anthony and the Dean's Office will continue to work on finding ways to provide computers that are up-to-date and those which provide minimal security risk to the MDECOE.

Dean's Report
- Reported that a provost was selected. The provost was selected due to her experience with central advising.
- Reported that central advising does not significantly impact the MDECOE.
- Reported it's likely that the MDECOE will get four new tenure track lines for fall 2020. Search committees will convene in the fall of 2019
- Debriefed the FC on the recent CTC visit and shared that the Dean and Associate Dean will travel to Sacramento in May to hear the official recommendations.
- Reported that plans for the multiple hooding ceremonies in the MDECOE are shaping up nicely.

President's Report
- Repeated his appeal that we need to nominate individuals for 2019-2021 Faculty President and vote for the nominees by the end of the semester. One way to accomplish this is by talking to our colleagues about the importance of faculty governance and serving the MDECOE as faculty president.

Four Initiatives
- Recommendations were made by the four subcommittees:
  - Bylaw Revisions (Sandra, Cat, and Virginia) presented the Bylaw markup file and discussed a majority of the changes.
  - Nominations and Elections (Jack, Joannie, Jordan) provided some recommendations that included:

- Master calendar, exploration of collapsing ESAC and EFAC into one committee, and a flowchart describing nominations and elections.
- Letter to Provost and Cabinet (David, Kathy, and Shari) recommended sending the letter with some additions (welcome to new provost and list of MDECOE accomplishments) to the new provost who starts her position on July 1.

Announcements
- There were no announcements

Adjourn
- The meeting adjourned at 3pm.