

## **University Senate**

March 6, 2014

### **Members Present**

Members present at the meeting: 82

### **Call to Order**

Senate Chair Novara called the meeting to order at 3:21 p.m.

### **Approval of the Minutes**

Chair Novara asked for additions or corrections to the minutes of the February 5, 2014 meeting; hearing none he declared the minutes approved as distributed.

### **Report of the Chair**

Novara noted that while the agenda for the March 6, 2014 meeting was light, he felt that it was necessary to hold the meeting in order to allow the maximum amount of time for larger agenda items in subsequent meetings. The two April meetings will include a report from the Faculty Affairs Committee on a framework for non-tenure-track faculty appointments and a report from the Joint Provost/Senate APT Guidelines Task Force. He thanked those in attendance for their engagement and participation.

#### Senate Elections

Novara stated that the Senate elections for all staff, student, and single-member constituency senators for 2014-2015 were currently underway. The deadline to vote for senators is March 7, 2014 at midnight. He encouraged everyone to vote for his/her senators by going to the Senate website and clicking on the blue "vote for a senator" button.

#### Nominations Committee

Novara stated that the Senate Nominations Committee was still seeking additional candidates to run for open positions on Senate-elected committees and councils, including the 2014-2015 Senate Executive Committee, Committee on Committees, the Athletic Council, the Council of University System Faculty (CUSF), and the Campus Transportation Advisory Committee (CTAC). Continuing Senators interested in running for a position should fill out a nomination form and return it to a Senate staff member after the meeting. Forms are available at the registration table. Nominees will be considered for placement on the slate for election, but are not guaranteed a spot. All candidates will be asked to submit a short candidacy statement for the elections held at the transition meeting on May 7, 2014. Novara thanked senators for their interest in running or nominating a colleague for these prestigious positions.

## Committee Reports

### **PCC Proposal to Establish a Post-Master's Certificate in the Curation and Management of Digital Assets (Senate Doc. No. 13-14-25) (Action)**

Marilee Lindemann, Chair of the Programs Curricula and Courses (PCC) Committee, presented the PCC Proposal to Establish a Post-Master's Certificate in the Curation and Management of Digital Assets and provided background information on the new certificate.

Novara opened the floor to discussion of the proposal; hearing none, he called for a vote on the proposal. The result was 73 in favor, 1 opposed, and 1 abstention. **The motion to approve the proposal passed.**

### **Academic Integrity (Senate Doc. No. 08-09-20) (Action)**

Nan Ratner and David Freund, Members and Former Chairs of the Student Conduct Committee presented the Academic Integrity report and provided background information on the proposed tutorial.

Novara opened the floor to discussion of the proposal.

Senator Hurtt, Faculty, School of Architecture, Planning, and Preservation, questioned why the committee did not recommend making the tutorial a requirement for all UNIV courses.

Ratner responded that the committee would like to roll out the tutorial first as an optional exercise but would like eventually to make it mandatory.

Senator Finsterbusch, Faculty, College of Behavioral and Social Sciences, questioned whether a student would have to take the tutorial once or for every course.

Ratner responded that the tutorial provides students with a certificate upon completion that can be supplied for subsequent courses.

Hearing no further discussion, Novara called for a vote on the proposal. The result was 68 in favor, 9 opposed, and 3 abstentions. **The motion to approve the proposal passed.**

## **New Business**

There was no new business.

## **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:34 p.m.