Spring 2019 General Faculty Meeting Minutes

April 26, 2019

Approved August 7, 2019

I. Interim Provost’s Welcome
Dr. Jenks opened the spring Faculty Senate meeting at 2 p.m. before soliciting approval of the minutes from the fall 2018 General Faculty meeting, held on August 8, 2018.

Minutes were approved unanimously.

II. Faculty Senate Business
A) Action Items
1) University of West Georgia Policies and Procedures, Article IV, Section 2, Items F and J
   Request: Add

   **Approved Unanimously**

2) Standing Committee, Membership, and Purpose
   a) Graduate Programs Committee, Article IV, Section 2, Item J.2

   **Approved Unanimously**

B) Nomination of Senate Executive Officers
1) Dr. Angela Insenga was nominated for Chair-Elect of Faculty Senate
2) Dr. Colleen Vasconcellos was nominated for Executive Secretary of the Faculty Senate and General Faculty

   **Nominations accepted**

III. Interim President’s Address
As Interim President Crafton could not be in attendance, Dr. Jenks spoke briefly about the upcoming Presidential search, which will involve identification of an on-campus committee comprised of various stakeholders; a discussion about an open or closed search; and scheduled meetings when finalists are chosen.

IV. Interim Provost’s Updates
In the interest of brevity, Interim Provost Jenks indicated that our campus will continue to operate much as it has, with major initiatives and projects continuing onward. He and Interim President Crafton remain committed to the work conceived and begun under the leadership of Dr. Marrero. The Provost then spoke about the Engage West! results for the division of VPAA, noting that longer and more detailed discussions regarding said results would begin during AY 2019-20. Dr. Jenks turned then to the traditional content of spring General Faculty meetings: honoring our faculty.

V. Faculty and Department Teaching Awards
A) USG Teaching and Excellence Awards
1) The Felton Jenkins, Jr. Hall of Fame Faculty Award, Nominee
   Dr. Beheruz Sethna, Regents' Professor of Marketing, Richards College of Business
2) The Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Award, Nominee  
   Dr. Katy Green, Assistant Professor of Special Education, College of Education
3) The Teaching Excellence Award for Online Teaching, Nominee  
   Dr. Sheikh Tijan Drammeh, Lecturer in Political Science, College of Social Sciences
4) The Regents’ Teaching Excellence Award for Department, Nominee  
   Department of Sport Management, Wellness, and Physical Education, College of Education
5) Regents’ Momentum Year Award for Excellence in Advising and Student Success, Nominee  
   UWG's Advising Center
6) Regents’ Momentum Year Award for Excellence in Teaching and Curricular Innovation, Nominee  
   UWGLive
7) Governor’s Teaching Fellows Summer Symposium Participant  
   Dr. Agnieszka Chwialkowska, Assistant Professor of Marketing, Richards College of Business

B) Chancellor’s Learning Scholars
   1) Dr. Amy Irby-Shasanmi (Sociology, COSS)  
      Small Teaching, Big Gains
   2) Dr. Denise Morris (Nursing, THSSON)  
      Inclusivity in Teaching and Learning
   3) Dr. Keith Pacholl (History, COAH)  
      Course Enrichment, or Enriching the Soul of Your Course
   4) Dr. Veena Paliwal (Mathematics, COSM)  
      Changing Mindset: A Much-Needed Asset in Academia
   5) Dr. Jeannie Pridmore (Management, RCOB)  
      Course Enrichment and Backward Design
   6) Dr. Glaucio Scremin (Sport Management, COE)  
      Learner-Centered Course Enrichment

VI. Tenure and Promotion Announcements
A) College of Arts and Humanities
   1) Promoted to Professor
      a) Charles Lipp, History
   2) Tenured and Promoted to Associate Professor
      a) Dr. Dawn Neely, Music
   3) Promoted to Associate Professor
      a) Dr. Matthew Franks, English and Philosophy
      b) Dr. Leah Haught, English and Philosophy

B) College of Education
   1) Promoted to Professor
a) Dr. Michelle Frazier Trotman Scott, Literacy and Special Education
2) Tenured and Promoted to Associate Professor
   a) Dr. Ryan Bronkema, Communication Sciences and Professional Counseling
   b) Dr. Jennifer Edelman, Early Childhood through Secondary Education
   c) Dr. Kimberly Huett, Educational Technology and Foundations
   d) Dr. Katherine Green, Literacy and Special Education
   e) Dr. Robyn Huss, Literacy and Special Education
C) College of Science and Mathematics
   1) Promoted to Professor
      a) Dr. Nancy Pencoe, Biology
      b) Dr. Leanna Shea Rose, Geosciences
      c) Dr. Nathan Andrew Walter, Geosciences
      d) Dr. Fengrong Wei, Mathematics
   2) Tenured and Promoted to Associate Professor
      a) Dr. Yvette Garner, Biology
      b) Dr. Xiaofeng Gu, Mathematics
      c) Dr. Veena Paliwal, Mathematics
D) College of Social Sciences
   1) Promoted to Professor
      a) Dr. Jesus S. Peralta, Political Science
   2) Tenured and Promoted to Associate Professor
      a) Dr. Gavin Lee, Criminology
      b) Dr. Mai Naito, Criminology
      c) Dr. Lynn Pazzani, Criminology
      d) Dr. John Ike Sewell, Jr., Mass Communications
      e) Dr. Anthony Fleming, Political Science
   3) Promoted to Senior Lecturer
      a) Ms. Kelley Christopher, Criminology
      b) Dr. Sheikh T. Drammeh, Political Science
      c) Ms. Patricia Riley, Criminology
   4) Tenured Full Professors
      a) Dr. Chapman Rackaway, Political Science
E) Richards College of Business
   1) Promoted to Professor
      a) Dr. Dong Yu, Accounting and Finance
   2) Promoted to Senior Lecturer
      a) Ms. Mary K. Holder, Economics
F) Ingram Library
   1) Promoted to Professor
      a) Ms. Anne Barnhart
VII. Honoring UWG Faculty Retirees
A) Dr. Rita Tekippe, College of Arts and Humanities
B) Dr. Faramarz Parsa, Richards College of Business
C) Dr. Mark Parrish, College of Education
D) Ms. Lyn Steed, College of Education
E) Mr. Christopher Huff, Ingram Library
F) Dr. Christy Berding, The Tanner Health System School of Nursing
G) Dr. Joan Carlisle, The Tanner Health System School of Nursing

VIII. Meeting Adjourned

Dr. Jenks adjourned the meeting at 2:53 p.m., encouraging those in attendance to vote for the new name of OneUWG in the Townsend lobby. He also reminded faculty to vote for Senate Executive Officers electronically by 5 p.m. on May 5th, 2019.

Respectfully Submitted,

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