

University Senate Meeting Minutes
April 15, 2016 at 2:00pm in Rowan Auditorium

ATTENDEES: Stephanie Abraham, Lisa Abrams, Bonnie Angelone, Herb Appelson, Nathan Bauer, Nasrine Bendjilalli, Lori Block, Joe Cassidy, Jennifer Courtney, Christina Davidson-Tucci, Stephanie Farrell, Jon Foglein, Richard Fopeano, Tiffany Fortunato, Bill Freind, Mat Gendreau, Lori Getler, Danielle Gougan, Jill Gower, Mike Grove, Sean Hendricks, Erin Herberg, Karlton Hughes, Joseph Johnson, Subash Jonnalagadda, Kristine Johnson, Drew Kopp, Charles Linderman, Janet Lindman, Julie Mallory-Church, Esther Mas Serna, Jonathan Mason, Lesley Mateo, Demond Miller, Marge Morris, Phil LaPorta, Jennifer Nicholson, Bruce Plourde, Ravi Ramachandran, Beth Rey, Robert Rawlins, James Roh, Lane Savadove, Ted Schoen, Christopher Simons, Dan Strasser, Umashanger Thayasivam, Mehmet Uyger, Shari Willis, Hong Zhang

NOT IN ATTENDANCE: (Represented by Alternates) Terri Allen represented by Monica Kerrigan, Patrick Crumrine represented by Charles McGlynn, Diane Garyantes represented by Nick Diulio, Jane Hill represented by Sharon McCann, Nancy Vitalone-Raccaro represented by Sharon Davis, Mary Staehl represented by Vince Beachley, Charlene Williams represented by Osvaldo Lopez,

NOT IN ATTENDANCE: Tom Doddy, Karlton Hughes, Ane Johnson, Andrew Kopp, Patrick McKee, JT Mills, Scott Morschauser, Kathleen Seeley, Ozge Uygur, Eric Milou, Alan Schienbaum, Dawn Specht, Laura (Shinn) Storino,

Meeting called to order @ 2:02p.m.

Approval of agenda - Motion made, seconded, approved

Introduction of visitors - no visitors

Approval of minutes from March meeting - motion made, seconded and approved

President's report

- a. Budget update (Chris Simons) – We are currently running \$8 million in surplus and will likely end with \$10+ million in surplus. Enrollment is 400+ above budget. However, increase cost with merit waivers has resulted in almost no additional revenue. There are plans to sell 100 acres on West campus for the hospital with a price tag of \$12 million dollars. Land was purchased for \$11 million resulting in a \$1 million dollar profit. Assuming the deal goes through, this money will be used to repay other, higher interest debt. However, the profit is being held aside should the deal fall through. New Jersey state support for 2016/217 is anticipated to be roughly flat. There are two concerns. The first is the governor has advertised a \$42 million savings for senior public institutions. To fund this, money would be taken out of health benefits, resulting in higher co-pays or reduced services. It is unlikely this will be passed. The Governor may also cut senior institutions and this could result in flat funding if this doesn't work. EOF is anticipated to receive reduced funding. Governor is calling this a reallocation of funding but could result in employment cuts for EOF advisors. This was tried last year but failed. Hollypointe will be opening in the fall with 1400 beds. This could result in a slight reduction in revenue due to non-triple housing. There has been some discussion to close older dorms. New dorms cost approximately \$10,000 per year. Old housing costs approximately \$7,000/ year. We won't know until September how many students want to live on campus. It is anticipated we will get our step and increase in living and is currently budgeted. There is also an anticipated increase in 3/4 time faculty from 170 to 200.
- b. Material Science and Engineering Institute - Will be established on 2nd floor of West Campus building and they are currently in the hiring process for a director. EIRC is moving out.
- c. Fall undergraduate enrollment - Planning for the same as last year but will still have an increase of 900 students. Graduating class is 900 less.

- Q – Will there be a parking lot on Ellis Street? A – This is a possibility but would not be available until December. This would be a far walk and would need security/shuttle service. Tech security questions? Contact Bill - he serves on a committee.
- d. Phishing scams (again) - W-2 scam, 2nd attack is asking people to change password (as a follow up to w-2 attack....). Be careful, there are encryption scams as well which require ransom to be paid in Bitcoins. They have done Market Research to determine how much people will pay - \$400.00 is average
 - e. LibQUAL survey - Library survey - please complete this!
 - f. Return old Rowan-issued laptops to NSS. These are the property of Rowan University. NSS will wipe and salvage parts that can be reused.

Dean Updates - CHSS, Communication, Dean Performing Arts stepping down – new searches to be completed.

Fall 2017 – The President has approved 17 net new tenure track faculty lines and 30 3/4 time faculty lines. The ratio of faculty /student is still far from ideal.

Last summer - GLOBAL model will be changed. New model - still proposal at this point. Provost needs to approve it. Marginal model based on steps.

New Buildings - A3 lot - south of B&N. is scheduled to open Fall 2017. This will have classrooms and a recreation center. MSSL - soccer league - discussing buying land. Funding is the issue.

Q - How many faculty lines are going to the new programs? A – Don't know.

Q - Search for Communication -John Pastin is chair and is retiring in 2017.

Open period: Reed Layton, Senior Director, Department of Public Safety- Issues on campus.

Public Safety is on all RU campuses and medical schools. This is a huge department with a mix of security and police. The department is nationally accredited and has 494 standards needing to comply with. RU is the first university in NJ to obtain accreditation. Department size includes 24 officers and 18 security personnel on the Glassboro Campus (also houses the dispatch center). 2 dispatchers are on around the clock. There were 38,000 calls in 2015 with the majority of calls on main campus. Currently there are shared services with Glassboro. The office tries to be proactive with issues on campus. They work with Glassboro police to handle off campus issues where students are present - i.e. Parties.

Last year, RU was the first university in New Jersey with body cameras for officers. RU has an internal affairs division and they review tapes and complaints daily. 3 detectives handle major investigations (burglaries, laptops stolen, etc.). Off campus involves working with Camden, Stratford and Glassboro police. Parking decisions and where lots go do not involve public safety. Safety of the students is primary concern. The department offers a RAD program (Self-Defense). There are also several phases of a camera system, with public safety and police. Two phases have already been completed and there are 7 phases total. Cameras work to identify issues regarding criminal mischief.

Q - When do swipe cards start? A – This is in process along with cameras. This requires going in phases due to expense.

Q – Is there campus security at our other locations - A - Medical school is all interior with regards to RU security. 15-18 officers are on 24/7. We also have security in the Academic Building in Camden and there are always 2 officers around the clock - all security. SOM has 10 officers and 4 security officers on campus.

Q - What is the coverage? Cameras and physical? A - Cameras are in one of the upcoming phases but nothing in place now. Security officers are not placed full-time in libraries. However, they are at end of semesters 24/7. Rowan Security offers a foot escort. Anyone can call headquarters and they will arrange a foot escort or car if needed. Also, a student patrol is run through the Law/Justice department. Student patrol members must meet special requirements. Currently have 16-18 students per semester who serve 7pm-3am and are just out there to watch and report.

Q - Racially biased/religiously biased incidents – are there any ongoing town hall meetings to address this? A – We have open dialogue with local ministries and engagement with President's office. There are ongoing investigations to address issues and these are taken seriously.

Q - Rt 322 crossing, parking lots - with limited exits, is there a possibility to add an officer to direct traffic? A - Great idea and will take back to headquarters. There are plans this summer to add a new light on the exit by the football field. There are also many updates with roadways this summer.

Q - Lot D - Is there a camera? A - There will be soon.

Q - As student body has increased, more students are now living in residential areas. Student are disruptive to residents Are there plans to address this? A – Thurs. and Fri. nights Glassboro and RU police ride together to look for parties.

Resolution on the Presidential Home (page 2) - resolution - 2nd reading. Motion made to consider adopting resolution and seconded. 3 - Opposed, 4- Abstentions. Motion carried

Q – Is there construction or renovation? A - Yes, The president will be moving in sometime this summer.

Q - Why does the president not live in Hollybush. A – This would involve substantial money to restore. President Farrish was the first to not live in the building. The house was renovated, but not up to full-time living standards.

Proposal to create Rowan Core committee (Mike Grove) (page 3) - 2nd reading - Rowan core proposal for committee. Chief goal of committee is to review courses and approve them. Assessment piece will come back to committee.

Friendly amendment made to question faculty representation? Mike Grove - would prefer not to accept friendly amendment at this time.

Motion made, seconded, all approved

Curriculum report (Erin Herberg) (page 4) - 8 proposals, all approved (see attached).

8031- withdrawn due to meeting canceled

Process Q - approved

Q – When do these go into effect? A - Approved last week. New guidelines will be written soon. Contact Erin for details. Q - How does this work for current proposals? A - Committee is working through these to determine.

New business -

Mike Grove - list of courses for Rowan Core courses. Mike will be working on a standardized format.

Adjournment - 3:08 p.m.

University Senate Resolution on the Presidential Home

The Rowan University Senate recognizes that the President of the University must have a residence that is appropriate for the leader of a research-designated institution which comprises more than 16000 students, two medical schools, and regionally and nationally recognized colleges and schools.

We also understand that because the University is serving as an economic engine for the region, the President's house must be suitable for events with business, political and educational leaders, as well as the faculty and staff of the University.

Furthermore, we recognize that the President's house is a long term investment that should remain in the University for years to come.

Finally, we see that the University is an integral part of Glassboro, just as Glassboro is an integral part of the University. The development of Rowan Boulevard, the offices and classrooms in the Bank building, and the Art Gallery at 301 High Street, and development of Hollypointe Commons all testify to the relationship between the Borough and the University, and we wish to further deepen and extend that relationship.

Consequently, we would urge the University Foundation, Board of Trustees, and President to work to find a Presidential Home in the Borough of Glassboro.

Resolution to Create a New Senate Committee

ROWAN CORE

Reviews curriculum proposals for new and existing courses seeking inclusion within the Rowan Core. Evaluates the assessment outcomes submitted by departments for their Rowan Core courses. Develops goals and outcomes for any new literacies included in revisions to the Core. Recommends selection of the Rowan Core Director.

Eligibility:

Note: Committee Chair is not calculated in committee total.

- 2 College of Business faculty
- 2 College of Communication and Creative Arts faculty
- 2 College of Education faculty
- 2 College of Engineering faculty
- 2 College of Performing Arts faculty
- 2 College of Humanities and Social Sciences faculty
- 2 College of Science and Mathematics faculty
- 1 School of Earth and the Environment faculty
- 2 SGA Reps
- 2 Professional Staff Advisors
- 1 AFT Rep
- 1 Librarian

Total: 20

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The following proposals are being submitted for Senate Approval

Process E- New Degree Related Proposals

| Proposal # | College | Department | Proposal |
|-------------|---------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 15-16-1022 | COB | Management/Entrepreneurship | <u>Certificate if Graduate Study in Strategic Innovation</u> |
| 15-16-3029 | COEd | Ed Leadership | <u>Certificate of Undergraduate Study in Access, Success & Equity for Educational Innovation</u> |
| 15-16-4007 | COE | Chemical | <u>Certificate in Undergraduate Study in Materials Engineering</u> |
| 15-16-6005* | CHSS | History | <u>Certificate in Public History</u> |
| 15-16-6006* | CHSS | History | <u>Certificate in Middle East Studies</u> |
| 15-16-8021* | CSM | Computer Science | <u>Certificate of Undergraduate Study in Computer Programming</u> |
| 15-16-8022* | CSM | Computer Science | <u>Certificate of Undergraduate Study in Fundamental Computing</u> |
| 15-16-8031 | CSM | Biomedical Sciences/Health Professions | <u>B.A. in Liberal Studies - Health Studies Sequence</u> |
| 15-16-8042* | CSM | Physics/Astronomy | <u>CUGS in Health Physics</u> |

*Approved pending revisions