Minutes of March 6, 2015 Meeting of Senate Growth and Development Committee
March 26, 2015

Attendance: Marcy Balunas, David Benson, Tracie Borden, Jake Broccolo, Joseph Crivello, Masha Gordina, Kathy Hendrickson, Andrew Moiseff, Larry Renfro, Faquir Jain.

Invited Guests: 10:00 am Andrew Moiseff (CLAS), Kazem Kazerounian (SOE), Thomas Meacham (Fine Arts), Jose Manautoou (Pharmacy)
11:00am Warden Manuel, Director of Athletics

Dean Kazem Kazerounian presented some statistics about the School of Engineering. Currently, there are 660 students enrolled in the freshmen class as compared to 440 in fall 2012. He projects an enrollment of 725-750 for the 2016 class (an increase of 70-75% under NextGen).

He observed that currently the research expenditure is $42-43M as opposed to $25M five years ago. He noted that industrial support from Pratt & Whitney and GE (~$10M ea) is encouraging. He noted the formation of United Technologies Systems Institute, CHASE Center on Hardware Security, and COMCAST ($2.5M, Cyber Security Center) initiatives. He is concerned about the 2.75% budget cut last year, 6% cut effective July 2015 and an additional cut of 3% in July 2016. In terms of graduate enrollment he mentioned 700 full time students enrolled, mostly as doctoral students and supported as RAs, since there are very few TA lines. He observed that there is a cultural shift to keep the work/projects relevant to industry in order to attract their support in light of shrinking federal dollars. A projection of $52M in funding is anticipated for 2016-2017.

Andrew Moiseff presented the statistics for CLAS. He noted that there are 509 MS and 1282 Ph.D. students. It was recognized by all Deans that CLAS will bear most of the burden of the increased student enrollment during lower the division semesters. He also noted that it is very hard for them to project future enrollments in light of space and faculty recruitment constraints given the current budget crunch. Andrew summarized by noting that there is a lag between needs and resources.

Thomas Meacham presented the statistics for the School of Fine Arts. There is an increase in the Digital Media and Design program from 88 to 160 freshmen. He mentioned the space they have in the Bishop Center. There is modest expansion in the B. Arts degree program from 16-24. Thomas also noted about the joint program with the Neag School.

In response to a question from L. Renfro about growth in the Music program, he noted that there is a structuring by creating double majors.

In terms of graduate enrollment, there are 44 students in Drama. The CT Repertory Theatre is a vibrant program.

Jose Manautoou presented the statistics for the School of Pharmacy. Three are 400 undergraduate students and 26 faculty members. The graduate enrollment is 50-55. Most of the students are supported by RA positions and there are 12 TA positions. Under the current circumstances, he noted that they do not anticipate much growth in enrollment.
Marcy Balunas asked about redistribution of TAs. This lead to some discussion of employing undergraduates (seniors and juniors) to serve as TAs.

Warden Manuel highlighted the progress in Athletics. He noted that the UCONN Ice Hockey Team is in its 2nd year of the NCAA program. There are 10 scholarships for the 4-year program. He further mentioned that there are 5 scholarships for women’s rowing and 3 for women’s tennis. He noted that they are trying to accomplish gender equity balance in terms of scholarships.

In response to a question from A. Moisiff, relating to the source of sports scholarships, Warde Manuel noted that most of the scholarships come from the endowments.

In terms of sports infrastructure, he outlined two on-campus sites for the Women’s Ice Hockey Stadium. Other capital projects include a new soccer complex ($8M raised), baseball field and a softball venue. The discussion then shifted to the Student Recreation Center.

Regarding academic scholarships, he said that if a donor is interested in donating to Academic Programs, he gets in touch with Josh Newton (UCONN Foundation). He noted that National Championships rings are given to major donors.

The meeting adjourned at 11:20am.

**Fall meetings:** Thursday, September 4, 2014 at 11:00am  Hall Building, Room 123.

Friday, September 26th 2014 at 10:00am, Hall Building, Room 123.

Friday, October 17, 2014 at 10:00am, Hall Building, Room 123.
   Sally Reis, Vice Provost will discuss Academic Plan implementation.

October 31st 2014, 10:00am Kent Holsinger, Hall Building, Room 123.
   10:30 am Barbara O’Connor (to be rescheduled)

November 14, 2014, 10:00am Jeff Seeman, Hall Building, Room 123.
   10:30am Lawrence Silbart and Steven Suib

December 5, 2014, 10:00am Joshua Newton, Hall Building, Room 123.
   10:30am Laura Cruickshank and Beverly Wood.

**Spring 2015 Meetings**

Thursday, January 28, 2015, 11:00am, Hall Building, Room 123.
   Police Chief Barbara O’Connor

Friday, February 13, 2015, 10:00am, Michael Gilbert (VP Student Affairs) Hall Building #123.
   Mark Sargent and Jake Broccolo (USG)

Friday, February 20, 2015, 10:00am, Wayne Locust (VP Enrollment Management),
   Hall Building Room 123.
   Jason Charrette (President, Graduate Council),

Friday, March 6, 2015, 10:00am, Deans, Hall Building #123.
11:00am, Warde Manuel, Director of Athletics (Phone-in)

Friday, March 27, 2015, 10:00am Marcelle Wood (Avery Point) and William Pizzuto (Waterbury and Torrington), Hall Building Room 123.

Friday, April 17, 2015, 10:00am Discussion of Annual Report, Hall Building Room 123.

Friday, April 24, 2015, 10:00am Provost Mun Choi and President Susan Herbst (TBC)

Growth and Development Committee Members: Reda Ammar, Marcy Balunas, David Benson, Danielle Bergmann, Robert Bird, Dianne Beer, Tracie Borden, Jake Broccolo, Joseph Crivello, Masha Gordina, Shanna Graham, Kathy Hendrickson, Kathryn Libal, Jeanne Martin, Erin Mason, Daniel Mercier, Andrew Moiseff, James Renfro, Lyle Scruggs, Dana Wilder, and Faquir Jain