

Senate Growth and Development Committee
Meeting Minutes 9.28.18
10:00-11:00am
Senate Conference Room, Hall Building

Present: Louise Lewis, Andrew Moiseff, Ming-Hui Chen, Carl Rivers, Robert Bird, Stuart Duncan

The committee approved the minutes from the September 7, 2018 meeting.

The committee discussed the April 19 meeting the same day as Good Friday. Other University Senate Committees will be in session and the committee discussed the option of moving the meeting date.

Carl Rivers reported that John Volin is interested in speaking with the committee. This may happen at either the March or April meeting session in 2019. The committee also responded positively to the idea of having a guest at the April meeting and then remaining in session an extra hour to discuss writing the end of year report to the Senate.

The committee discussed encouraging users of space to maintain the classroom spaces when they are finished with them. Management of university space is divided between the university, departments, and other entities. The question of university control over space was raised, and the committee noted that some departments control lab rooms and seminar rooms that are used often for informal meetings of faculty and graduate students without a formal schedule.

Given that other committees on campus are also concerned with space, the committee discussed questions that could be raised with guests from the perspective of growth and development. Louise Lewis recommended that, if guests are distributing documentation, that it be provided before the meeting begins to allow time for review.

The committee also discussed graduate program issues, including the management of fellowship awards. Stuart Duncan explained that the fellowship award process is complex and not all students accept the awards that the committee grants. This results in a department potentially missing the benefits of fellowships.

The committee adjourned at 10:45am.