# University of Connecticut University Senate Summary of Action, 2016-2017

# September 2016:

- Election of University Senate Moderator and Secretary
- Received Annual Report on Enrollment from Nathan Fuerst
- SEC issued charge to Faculty Standards regarding emeritus by-laws

#### October 2016:

- Received Report of EVP/CFO on the University's Budget from Scott Jordan
- SEC formed Task Force for Statement on Free Speech and Civility
- Approved motion to amend the By-Laws, Rules and Regulations of the University Senate, II.C.1 Requirements in General See University Senate By-Laws at senate.uconn.edu
- Approved motion to amend the By-Laws, Rules and Regulations of the University Senate, II.E Scholastic Standing
   See University Senate By-Laws at senate.uconn.edu

## November 2016:

- Received Report of the Athletic Director from David Benedict
- Received Annual Update on the Diversity Plan from Joelle Murchison
- SEC issued charge to Student Welfare and Scholastic Standards regarding academic calendar
- SEC issued charge to Faculty Standards regarding Student Evaluation of Teaching

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#### December 2016:

- Approved motion to support Statement on Free Speech and Civility. Forwarded to the University Administration and the University Of Connecticut Board Of Trustees for consideration.
- Approved motion to accept final report of the General Education Assessment Task Force
- Approved motion to support USG Resolution regarding the Protection of Undocumented Students
- Considered motion to add Environmental Literacy to general education requirements at UConn. Voted to refer to Senate Curricula and Courses Committee.

#### February 2017

- Received annual reports from Academic Affairs:
  - Undergraduate Education and Instruction Sally Reis
  - Honors Program Jennifer Lease-Butts
  - Institute for Student Success Maria Martinez
  - Center for Teaching and Learning Peter Diplock
  - o Center for Career Development Nancy Bilmes

## March 2017:

- Received Annual Report of the Vice President of Communications from Tysen Kendig
- Received Annual Report of the Dean of the Graduate School from Kent Holsinger
- Approved motion from Faculty Standards to recommend update University By-Laws, Articles IX.K.2a and IX.K.2b, Emeritus Faculty. Forwarded to Board of Trustees for consideration.
- SEC issued letter to Provost regarding emergency closing policy

# April 2017:

- Received report from Office of Institutional Effectiveness from Lloyd Blanchard
- Received Annual Report on Research from Jeff Seemann

# May 2017:

- By way of Consent Agenda, received Annual Report from all Senate Standing Committee and Subcommittee Reports
- SEC issued statement of gratitude to outgoing Vice Provost of Academic Affairs Sally Reis
- Approved 2017/2018 standing committee rosters presented by the Senate Nominating Committee
- Approved motion to amend the By-Laws, Rules and Regulations of the University Senate, C.2.h, Senate Committees
- Received report of the UConn Foundation from Jake Lemmon
- Received Annual Report of Financial Aid and Retention from Wayne Locust
- Approved motion to support Resolution in Support of the University of Puerto Rico and the Students, Staff, Faculty, and Research Affected by Proposed Cuts
- Approved motion to support Resolution to Better Align UConn's Subsidy to its Athletics
  Department with State-Wide Fiscal Constraints. Forwarded resolution to the offices of the
  President, Provost, and Athletic Director.