

Senate Growth and Development Committee 2019-2020
Meeting Minutes 9.6.2019 [Approved 2.7.2020]
10:00-11:00 am
Senate Conference Room, Hall Building, Rm. 123
Instant Meeting Call: 866-857-0502 [Access codes - Remote attendees: 2023183# Polycom: 7666065#]

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Present: Janet Barnes-Farrell, Michael Accorsi, A Anwar, Ming-Hui Chen, Robert Bird (remote), Tracie Borden, Benjamin Christensen, Susanna Cowan, Greg Kivenzor (remote), Jessica McBride, Katherine McCarthy (remote), Andrew Moiseff, Carl Rivers, Lyle Scruggs.

The minutes from the meeting held on April 19, 2019 were corrected and approved. (Motion: Andy Moiseff, 2nd Lyle Scruggs)

After introductions of all committee members attending the meeting in person and by phone, the committee discussed the growth and development theme that will form the basis of invitations for speaker invitations this year. Under the overarching theme of "University in Transition," we agreed that the general emphasis we will pursue this year will be to learn more about the university's plans and progress toward building its strength as a public university for which research is a central feature of the scholarship, instruction, and service functions it carries out. Our goal as a committee will be to make recommendations to the Senate about particular sets of needs that deserve attention and support from the Senate.

In line with this general theme, several topics and potential speakers were identified, including the Office of the Vice President for Research, and new leaders at the UConn Library, UConn Foundation, and CLAS. Each guest will be asked to meet with the committee to discuss the committee's theme of facilitators and barriers to increasing research and scholarship at UConn.

The meeting was adjourned at 11 AM.

Submitted by: Janet Barnes-Farrell 09.06.2019

APPENDIX

Senate Growth and Development Committee

Meeting Minutes 4.19.19

Hall Bldg., Rm. 123

APPROVED 9.6.2019

Present: Robert Bird, Tracie Borden, Ming-Hui Chen, Joerg Graf, Faquir Jain, Andrew Moiseff, Lyle Scruggs.

The minutes from meetings held on February 22, 2019 and March 29, 2019 were approved.

The committee reviewed the 2018-19 annual report to be submitted to the university senate. Technical and minor changes were made to the draft.

The committee also considered topics for discussion for the forthcoming brief presentation (each committee chair has no longer than two minutes to present) to the full university senate by the chair of the committee. The committee agreed that the topics stated in the 2018-19 annual report should be topics for the presentation. Recommendations were made to mention the management of future expenditures, the importance of infrastructure, and the need for available space to enable long-term planning by departments. The growth at the regional campuses in addition to Stamford is also relevant as well.

The committee also discussed themes for next year. One theme was a university in transition, with the committee focusing on meetings with new administrators to the university in order to better understand their broader future strategic plans. The theme of data science was also discussed, with a focus on the Institute for Data Science and meeting with various influential faculty and administration on the subject. Research was also mentioned as a theme, with a focus on grant-funded research and associated strategic challenges. These suggestions were discussed with due deference to the prerogative of the next chair of the growth and development committee and new committee members to recommend new directions as they deem fit.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:42am.