



UNO Faculty Senate Meeting Agenda

Date/Time: Thursday, March 26th 3:30pm

Location: Zoom call (log-in information will be emailed to UNO Faculty Senate Moodle Group on 3/26)

1. Roll Call (B. Beabout)

Senate Roster

#	Representation	First	Last	Term	Board
X 1 1	Administration	Mahyar	Amouzegar	(19-20)	
X 2 1	Staff Council	Kristy	Askam	(19-20)	
X 3 1	SG President	Christine	Bourgeois	(19-20)	
X 4 1	Alumni Association	Dinah	Payne	(19-20)	
X 5 1	Adjunct	David	Lambour	(19-20)	
X 6 1	COBA	Christy	Corey	(19-22)	Administrative - Chair
X 7 2	COBA	James	Logan	(18-21)	Budget - Chair
X 8 3	COBA	Dinah	Payne (SE)	(19-22)	Administrative
X 9 4	COBA	Gina	Rosa	(19-22)	Budget
A 10 5	COBA	Duygu Kabir	Zirek Hassan	(18-21)	Academic
X 11 1	COE	Donald	Barbe	(17-20)	Administrative
X 12 2	COE	Dimitrios	Charalampidis (SE)	(17-20)	Academic
13 3	COE	Guillermo	Rincon	(18-21)	Administrative
X 14 4	COE	Ting	Wang	(18-21)	Budget
X 15 1	COLAEHD	Brian	Beabout	(18-21)	Budget
X 16 2	COLAEHD	David	Beriss	(18-21)	Administrative
X 17 3	COLAEHD	Elaine	Brooks	(19-22)	Administrative
X 18 4	COLAEHD	Diane	Baas	(19-22)	Administrative



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X	19	5	COLAEHD	Chris	Day	(17-20)	Academic - Chair
X	20	6	COLAEHD	Robert	Dupont	(19-22)	Budget
X	21	7	COLAEHD	Ivan	Gill	(17-20)	Administrative
X	22	8	COLAEHD	Juana Fallon	Ibanez/ Aidoo	(18-21)	Administrative
X	23	9	COLAEHD	John	Kiefer (SE)	(17-20)	Academic
X	24	10	COLAEHD	James	Marchant	(18-21)	Budget
X	25	11	COLAEHD	James	Mokhiber	(17-20)	Academic
X	26	12	COLAEHD	Steven	Mumford	(19-22)	Administrative
X	27	13	COLAEHD	Robert Chris	Stufflebeam/ Surprenant	(17-20)	Academic
Ex	28	14	COLAEHD	Zarus	Watson	(17-20)	Budget
X	29	1	COS	Nicola	Anthony (SE)	(18-21)	Administrative
X	30	2	COS	Adlai	Depano	(18-21)	Budget
A	31	3	COS	Kraig	Derstler	(19-22)	Academic
		32	4	COS	Missing	(17-20)	Academic
X	33	5	COS	Steve	Rick	(17-20)	Academic
X	34	6	COS	Wendy	Schluchter	(17-20)	Administrative
X	35	7	COS	Greg	Seab	(17-20)	Administrative
X	36	8	COS	Joel Andrew	Webb	(17-20)	Academic
A	37	9	COS	Ralph	Saxton	(19-22)	Academic
X	38	1	Library	Connie	Phelps (SE)	(18-21)	Administrative
X	39	2	Library	Lindsey	Reno	(19-22)	Budget

X : Present

E : Excused



2. Approval of the minutes from 02/19/20 meeting (B. Beabout)

Motion B. Beabout, Second D. Charalampidis. Minutes approved by acclamation.

3. Update from Faculty Senate President (N. Anthony)

Welcome to our first virtual Faculty Senate meeting. Recognize that this has been a tremendously difficult transition for everyone, and the faculty efforts have been tremendous.

4. News from the UNO Office of the President (J. Nicklow)

Thanks to all the faculty, counselors, enrollment management team, for supporting students through the transition to online. IT has not been without hiccups, but has been largely successful. We were the first university to move online in the state.

A UNO Task force has been meeting daily to manage UNO's response to the COVID-19 outbreak. President Nicklow has been on daily calls with the University of Louisiana System as well as with the Mayor of New Orleans in his role as the higher education rep. for the 9 New Orleans institutions on the mayor's working group. We will be back on campus, though we don't know quite when yet.

We are looking to have an on campus graduation in August- which would include spring and summer graduates.

The April 1st raise that was announced at the State of UNO address will go forward. However, the economic impacts of all this on UNO are unknown. NCAA payments to the University will be decreased for next year. \$13 Billion allocated for Higher Ed. in the Congressional Relief bill.

A student who lives off campus was recently diagnosed positive. They were recently in the library, so the library has been shut down for a few days for a private contractor to do a deep cleaning before it reopens.

Pontchartrain Hall will remain open. UNO will offer reimbursements or up to 25% of room and board for eligible students who have moved out. 180-120 students still in UNO housing.

Owners of Privateer Place have not been offering refunds, and President Nicklow is working on them.

C Bourgeois: some students feel they might be eligible for a tuition refund as the online assignment they have gotten feel simply and not as comprehensive as might have been offered in the old course. Will tuition be partially refunded?



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J. Nicklow- No- refunded tuition would result in loss of credit. Instruction is still happening at a distance, and credit will be earned.

5. Updates from the Chief Information Officer (Ray Wang) and Associate Provost for Faculty and Diversity Affairs (Tina Johnson)

Ray Wang:

Students without wifi: They can use the parking lots of public libraries, where the wifi is still on, and the local internet providers are offering free or discounted service to students. It is posted on UNO's COVID-19 FAQ webpage

- *Cox "connect to compete"*
- *AT&T expanded eligibility for their low-cost wifi*
- *Spectrum giving free student access for new subscribers.*

F. Aidoo: Can this list of options be sent to the students?

R Wang: It is posted on UNO's COVID-19 FAQ webpage

Tina Johnson:

Successful transition to 100% online. Great work from the Center for Teaching Innovation (CTU), Beth Blankenship and her staff of 2. They have been offering coaching on Panopto and Zoom 8:30-AM-4:30 PM Monday-Friday. Phone: 504-280-5512 or moodle@uno.edu

See upcoming support offerings at www.uno.edu/cti/keepsteaching

Faculty Excellence awards deadline moved from March 23 to June 1st

Current AY year Tenure and Promotion process remains unaffected as well as Sabbatical application process.

Faculty affairs web page will launch next week.

D. Berris: Can you Confirm Zoom Prop purchase from UNO?

R. Wang: Yes, it is under the myapps page on uno.edu

Dupont: Can Tina's slides get posted to the UNO Faculty Senate page?



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M. Amouzegar: For people going up in 2020-2021, we will be flexible on their tenure clock. If they are ready, they should go up, if they want to discuss options, we can do that one on an individual basis.

T. Johnson: 3rd year review policy as approved by faculty senate will move forward next fall as planned.

6. Election of next year's Faculty Senate positions (N. Anthony)

Colleges will need to run senate elections in advance of the April meeting.

Office election options (do it via remote ballot during April meeting, or wait until first fall meeting)

Consensus of discussion seems to be to do it via online voting in April.

7. Updates from the faculty senate boards (Chris Day, Christie Corey, James Marchant)

Academic Board:

They have reviewed the grade appeal policy and are recommending no changes.

They have submitted a draft policy for consideration of the contact minutes for online/hybrid courses.

C. Corey: Previous iteration of this process ran into an issue with another group on campus outside of faculty senate proposing much the same process.

C. Day: This may be the Distance Learning Committee? We have been in touch with them on this.

Since we are not set up for online voting today- both of these proposals will go forward for a vote online at the April meeting.

Administrative Board:

Working to separate the Grievance and Charges documents.

Budget Board: Nope report

8. Old Business

none

9. New Business

C. Corey: Will we be keeping the Zoom Pro license beyond this semester?

R. Wang: It carries an additional license fee, but the President is adamant about keeping it.



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10. Adjournment