

FACULTY CONGRESS MEETING MINUTES

October 18, 2023 Online via Zoom 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Welcome and reminder regarding procedures, including Robert's Rules of order.

2. MINUTES -

Minutes postponed until Spring.

3. CHAIR'S REPORT

- <u>Updates from Chair</u>: including
 - o LMS system
 - Workload Equivalency Framework
 - o SCR 201

4. BUSINESS

- Proposed Amendments to the Charter of the Faculty Congress and Senate
- <u>Proposed Amendments to the Bylaws of the Faculty Congress and Senate Supporting document:</u>
 - <u>Clean copy</u>
 - Discussion re procedure as outlined in Article II of the Charter and Article VII of the Bylaws, including that today is opportunity for debate, not voting.
 - Amendment to Charter is simple housekeeping correction: changing 'chancellor' to 'provost'.
 - Re bylaws, there are three substantive amendments:
 - (1) the first modifies how the Senate can call a special meeting of Congress, allowing the Senate to govern on this issue at all meetings with quorum;

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- (2) the second addresses the membership eligibility of our seven standing committees:
 - bylaws state each standing Committee shall consist of a minimum of 9 faculty members, with majority being senators.
 - It also requires officers be from among senator members.
- Proposed amendment requires all 9 members of standing committees be senators, something impossible to fulfill because of inability to elect 74 senators.
- In the case it passed, further revision would be required to lower required minimum membership to elect sufficient members.
- (3) the third clarifies that a student representative on the Committee on Student Affairs is non voting.
- Discussion re procedure of electronic vote.
- Guest Speakers: <u>UHM Academic Assessment Report</u> (4:30 pm 5:00 pm)

 Justin Walguarnery, Chair Committee on Educational Effectiveness

 Monica Stitt-Bergh, Specialist Assessment and Curriculum Support Center
 - <u>UHM Academic Assessment Report</u>
 - Discussion regarding clarification of scope of CEE's actions, and some of the previous reports available on their web site.
 - Discussion regarding the data evidencing positive efforts of faculty, particularly during the challenges of the pandemic.

5. NEW BUSINESS

No new business.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Sen. D. Flynn moves to adjourn. Sen. K. Withy seconds. Meeting adjourned at 4:31pm.

Respectfully submitted by Raphael Raphael, MFS Secretary. Approved on March 13, 2024.