Regular Meeting of the University Senate
Degheri Alumni Center, Room 112
December 3, 2015

Attendance
Arts & Sciences: Ellis, Chair; Besnoy; Bolender; Friedman; Glick; Moran; Nadkarni; Nelson; Pachence; Pierson; Reifer; Ruiz; Sheehan
Business: Gin; Rothman
Engineering: Kim; Schubert
Leadership & Education Sciences: Quezada; Rowell
Law: Kelly; Lawrence; Lazerow
Nursing: Burkard; Marsh
Peace Studies: Choi-Fitzpatrick
Ex-Officio: Allen; Ferruolo; Norton; Roberts
Student Representative: Fox; Emily Davis
Guest: Esteban del Rio; Michael Epstein; Karl Gruben; Julie Hess; Katie Kovacs; Jane Larrington; Diane Maher; Andre Mallie; Rose Martinelli; Alejandra Nann; Alma Ortega; Kelly Riddle; Michael Stallworth; Peter Stokes; Laura Turner

Ellis, Chair, opened the meeting at 12:17 p.m.

I. Announcements
A. Chair: Ellis announced that in the spring semester he will start interactions with the academic units. He and the Senators from each area will discuss Senate actions and ask what the Senate can do to help them. In addition Ellis will meet with the AS Senate to look for areas of synergy. Also beginning in the spring, at each meeting a different Dean will be invited to discuss for 10 minutes any issue in that particular School or College that would be of interest to the Senate.

Ellis introduced Emily Davis, Graduate Student representative to the Senate.

B. Provost’s Office:
Allen encouraged faculty to attend the presidential inauguration on Dec. 4th. President Harris was given a list of demands from students. He will meet with them next week to receive additional information and have a dialogue.

C. Associated Students:
Fox said the AS Senate has not yet discussed the Title IX training. In regards to the recent student demands the AS is supportive of the students advocating for change on campus.

II. Presentations
A. Huron Group: USD Strategic Initiatives
Ellis stated that the University’s strategic initiatives process has begun with assistance from Huron Consulting Group. He introduced the following Huron Group members: Peter Stokes, Rose Martinelli, Mike Stallworth and Katie Kovacs. Peter Stokes, Managing Director, stated that Huron has been working with the campus community the past month to begin the strategic planning process. He introduced Mike Stallworth who provided an overview of the strategic planning process.

Stallworth explained that the Strategic Planning Steering Committee will lead the process to identify and articulate a distinctive USD vision that looks toward 2024, USD’s 75th anniversary. Huron Group will assist the committee with management and oversight. The process starts with identifying priorities, themes, and areas of opportunity for USD. In the next couple of months the committee will collect and prioritize ideas gathered from the strategic planning website and from other sources. Town hall meetings and forums will be scheduled for discussion and continuing dialogue which will culminate in a vision conference tentatively scheduled for April 4, 2016. President Harris will bring the new strategic plan and vision statement to the Board of Trustees in September 2016.
Allen stated that a revised vision statement will focus on: Who do we want to be in 2024, and how will we get there.

B. André Mallie: Renewal of Coca-Cola Contract at USD
Ellis introduced André Mallie, Auxiliary Services, to discuss the Coca-Cola contract. Mallie stated that the University’s contract with Coca-Cola is ending and the University is looking to create a new, more flexible partnership that will provide more choices for drinks, how to address water, containers, lids and straws, etc. He responded to questions from Senators.

III. Approval of the Minutes for the meeting of Nov. 12, 2015
The minutes of November 12, 2015 were approved by acclamation.

IV. Business
A. Consideration of the $250 fine of students delinquent in completing Title IX training
Ellis stated that the Senate is waiting on additional information from the AS Senate regarding the $250 fine for non-completion of Title IX training by students before it will be considered further by the Senate.

B. Motions regarding inclusion of Copley Library in ARRT Policy 4.2.
Ellis stated that the Copley librarians had voted to support inclusion of Copley Library in ARRT Policy 4.2. The Executive Committee proposes motions to the policy for this to take effect; the motions (distributed) do not require a second. Ellis opened it up for discussion.

Moran referred to III.A.3.b. student evaluation (except in the case of Copley Library). She recalled as a member of a previous ARRT Committee that librarians had the possibility of having student evaluations and the way it is stated evaluations are excluded for librarians. Ellis responded that the intention was not to exclude it except as a requirement because the library structure is now different and some librarians do not teach. Ortega explained that some librarians teach library classes every other year and some do not teach; however, they teach workshops which are evaluated. Besnoy explained that librarians are required before their tenure decision year to teach a workshop which will include student evaluations.

Lazerow referred to III.A.3.e. and inquired whether faculty who are not librarians can submit examples of librarianship and archival work to satisfy the teaching requirement. It was suggested to insert “In the case of Copley Library” at the beginning of the phrase.

Nelson recommended changing III.A.3.e. to read: examples of librarianship and archival work as defined in the Copley Library ARRT document.

Maher suggested changing “Copley Library” to the more general term “University Library.”

Senators discussed the ARRT policy teaching criteria and the difficulty of including librarianship and archival work as part of III.A.; it may need to be separated. Kelly suggested that the document might read better if III.A. stays the same and a new III. E. defines librarianship and archival work. Section III.A. defines teaching as an essential requirement and it doesn’t state that librarianship or archival work can be substituted for the teaching requirement.

Ellis asked the librarians to provide proposed edits to the policy to address the issues discussed.

The meeting adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

Submitted by,

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