

# Faculty Senate Notes – 1/26/2021

## Attendance:

- Senators Present:
  - Wendy Bird, President
  - Chelsea Campbell, Vice President (EGG, EGT, WQM, EMS, FST, OUT)
  - Derek Lan, Secretary (HIS, GEO/GIS, SPA)
  - Ellie Camann (AST, BIO, CHE, GEY, PHY, ENV, SCI)
  - Heather Duncan (MAT)
  - Candace Garrod (CIS, CNG)
  - Benjamin Rogers (ART, FIW, MGD, MUS, THE)
  - Leah Rogin-Roper (ENG, LIT, CCR)
  - Sally Stablein (COM, CRJ, POS, PSY, SOC)
  - Janet Tarase (ACC, BUS, MAN, MAR, REE, SBM, ECO)
- Senators Absent:
  - Erika Iverson (Arvada campus: DMS, HHP, NUA, MOT, PAP, RTE)
  - Jeff Kaplan (resigned; ECE/EDU, GEO, HUM, PHI, SPA)
  - Tim Kjensrud (Leave of Absence; EIC, HVAC)
  - John Padgett (resigned: EMS, FST, OUT)
- Visitors – Carol Martin

## President's Introduction – Wendy Bird

### Introduction from all senators

- Chelsea Campbell will continue in her role as Vice President.

### Secretary vacancy

- Motion and second for Derek Lan to be secretary.
- Voted and approved.

### Online meeting conventions

- Wendy suggested senators keep their cameras on when they can

- In the discussion, senators suggested:
  - That there be a time limit on conversations without a vote – people should have an action item in mind, perhaps a 30-minute limit.
  - Keeping each meeting to a one-hour limit.
  - Getting one or two other people to back an idea before bringing it to senate or creating a process document for action items. The goal is to make sure discussions then proceed to action items.
  - Perhaps a roll call when we discuss issues so each senator has a chance to speak.
- Wendy – will send draft of document for senators to consider. In terms of this idea, we need to balance efficiency/process with making sure everyone has a voice.

Other topics: Wendy Bird went over them quickly since we ran low on time

- Dean's meeting: on D-grades
  - CTE – degrees that allow D's and electives – question of whether that's a good idea?
    - **ACTION ITEM:** ask constituents for feedback on D-grades.
  - 10-year-old classes on transcripts – some degrees have a requirement that all classes must be taken within 10 years, otherwise it's by department discretion.
    - We have many students who started over 10 years ago.
    - Only 2 schools have the requirement on excluding old classes.
  - Decisions haven't been made yet – the deans wanted Wendy to check in with faculty on this issue.
  - There was a question about how this would relate to our new bachelor's programs.

- Hypothetically, if a student took a class over ten years ago, what would that mean for entrance into a bachelor's program.
- For next meeting: Recap of what we did in the fall and take a look at a draft of our senate survey.
  - **ACTION ITEM:** senators should look at the survey: what issues are really driving faculty, what does the faculty want us to pursue?