

Senate Meeting Minutes
October 17, 2018

Location: EMU 145 & 146 (Crater Lake rooms)
3:00 – 5:00 P.M.

Meeting was called to order at 3:00 PM

- Introductory Remarks and retreat plans: Senate President Bill Harbaugh
 - Reviewed the UO Institutional Research website showing a number of university’s operational metrics, by college and department, etc. These data are accessible to all with university affiliations
 - Discussed formation of the task force analyzing the structure of CAS: <https://provost.uoregon.edu/task-force-forming-analyze-structure-cas>, where more information about the task force and charge are located. A few details include committee composition:
 - Chair (Senior Divisional Dean Karen Ford)
 - 9 CAS faculty members (no more than 4 from any single division, and at least 2-3 career non-tenure-track faculty)
 - 3 CAS OAs (no more than 2 from any single division)
 - 2 senior administrators from units outside of CAS
 - 1 member of the finance subcommittee (see below)
 - 1 classified staff member from CAS
 - 1 undergraduate student enrolled in a CAS major
 - 1 graduate student from a CAS discipline
 - 1 current or former member from the CAS advisory board
 - The members of the Task Force will be selected by the President and Provost after consultation with the chair. At least two of the CAS faculty members shall be selected from names nominated by the president and vice president of the University Senate. Persons who wish to self-nominate or make recommendations for any of the positions may do so via email to feedback@uoregon.edu.

- Remarks: President Mike Schill
 - Academic matters of interest this year include senate efforts this year are:
 - Core Education Reform
 - Program Reviews—why, how, and what for
 - New Program Development

 - Other areas not exclusively academic in nature include:
 - Conflict of Interest rules revision (joint task force between VPRI office and the Senate)
 - Examining new monuments and structures around campus
 - Policies governing romantic relationships

University policy on event scheduling were finalized and posted on the university website in summer, 2018

- Notable change in policy was to add a minimum days advance notice for large events scheduled, with exceptions in cases for which we can make faster arrangements
 - Emphasized importance of keeping campus safe for all and willingness to participate in any senate task force that explores free speech and assembly issues on campus
 - A few remarks on CAS structure task force were also made
 - At least 4 questions will guide this working group
 - What are the tradeoffs among the three organizational structures set forth above?
 - Does the current structure of CAS impede the ability of any of its component parts in achieving academic excellence? If so, which parts and how? Would any changes short of a structural modification ameliorate these limitations?
 - Would a split of CAS such as described in options ii or iii above, reduce opportunities for interdisciplinary work and collaboration? If so, how could incentives for working among the different disciplines be retained?
 - What would be the monetary cost of splitting CAS into two or three colleges?
 - Some explanation of the task force structure was also provided
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 - Some remarks on student success
 - 5 years ago, 4 year graduation rates were at 48%
 - Though, we're awaiting week 4 data (due out this week), there is some evidence that we're slipping back a bit
 - Budget remarks (please refer to the meeting video)
 - Administration will be lobbying the State Legislature for additional funds in an effort to keep tuition increases at or below 5% and engage faculty, students, and union in this effort
 - Fundraising Campaign updates: at 1.78 billion, and expect to achieve 2 billion mark by years end. Have added 1 billion additional to support student success (e.g., Pathway Oregon, expand scholarships, etc.), presidential science initiatives, new classroom building, athletics, and humanities and social sciences initiatives.
 - Q and A period
- Remarks: ASUO President Maria Gallegos-Chacon
 - Topics and Issues that were highlighted as priorities and goals include: work on addressing food insecurity among students; keeping tuition increases at/under 5%; student conduct code, accessible education issues and resources on campus, and some interest in communicating our campus location on indigenous lands

4:00 P.M. New Business

- [Sports Product Management](#) (Online degree program); Roger Best, Robin Clement, Denita Strietelmeier. (Discussion, not vote)

- Robin Clement presented a proposal from the Lundquist College of Business for an online version of their existing masters program in sports product management. Colleagues from Portland campus joined Robin for presentation of the program details and during Q and A that followed.

- Course Evaluation Disclaimer Language; Harbaugh. Harbaugh.
 - Announcement that this language will head to senate soon for input

- Admissions Policies; Harbaugh. (Announced that these policy revisions will be sent to the Undergraduate Council for review and recommendations)
 - **Admissions Requirements** (OUS)
 - [Admissions Requirements](#) (IMD)
 - **Admissions Policy – 2nd Language Requirement**

- TPM free speech restrictions – Pres. Harbaugh announced that he will be taking a look at the Campus Scheduling Guidelines along with the Academic Freedom and Free Speech policies in the Senate Exec Committee meeting.

4:55 P.M.

- Update on HECC; Francis White provided an update on HB 2998 credit transfer agreements in the Core Transfer Map.

5:00 P.M. Adjourned