University Senate Meeting Wednesday, March 13, 2019 3:00-5:00 pm EMU – Crater Lake Rooms

1. Call to order: 3:10pm

1.1 Introductory Remarks – Senate President Bill Harbaugh

1.2 University Report – Provost Jayanth Banavar

Highlights:

President Schill wants to prioritize *not* cutting:

Student success Title IX UOPD

Honors College to have new resident faculty positions.

College of Design Dean stepping down, so they will need an interim dean. Provost Banavar encourages emailing input/feedback on interim dean appointment to his office directly.

Q&A including questions about athletics helping out with the budget shortfall, funding for new Honors College positions, search procedure for the new college of Design Dean, role of the Honors College, and the timing of splitting up CAS with a budget shortfall.

2. Business & Reports

2.1 Vote: US18/19-13: Approval of Curriculum Report, Winter 2019; Frances White (CoC)

Brief discussion of the curriculum approval practices in the Industrial Internship Program and in the Law School.

Vote on motion to Approve Curriculum Report, Winter 2019 Passes unanimously by a show of hands

2.2 Discuss: US18/19-11: Requiring CANVAS for Core Ed Courses; Chris Sinclair (Core Ed Council)

Referred back to committee for further work by motion sponsor, Chris Sinclair. Will return to Senate at a later date.

2.3 Legislative update, Melanie Muenzer (OtP)

Highlights:

Ways and Means co-chairs released budget proposal that would increase funding for UO by \$200,000. Which is an improvement from the Governor's budget proposal that which would have cut \$2,500,000 from UO. The Ways and Means budget represents the new worst-case scenario.

UO day at capital MAY 8th, need campus community involvement. Contact Melanie Muenzer on how to participate.

2.4 Discussion and possible Vote: US18/19-12: Conflict of Interest, Conflict of Commitment, and Outside Activities policy revisions (policy draft HERE); Elizabeth Skowron (Senate VP)

In-depth presentation of new rules.

Motion to suspend senate rules to allow a vote on redline version at this meeting Motion passes unanimously by show of hands

Concern raised that IV. A. 2. b. (line 120) could be interpreted multiple ways.

Motion for amendment to remove words "related to university employment" from IV. A. 2. b.

Motion passes unanimously

Two issues remained to be looked at, but because everyone was on the same page in regards to intent, voting continued on the policy. Those issues were:

Spring & and winter breaks not listed with summer. This was explained because they are included by the word "leave." However, this definition of leave comes from the UA contract, which does not cover everyone affected by the policy revision. Clarity is needed on days of break.

There was concern that the change to IV A 2 b did not actually fix the problem of ambiguous interpretation. Further tweaking of that sentence was wanted, may be accomplished with some "technical changes" to avoid taking up time at Senate meeting.

Motion to close debate. Passes unanimously by show of hands

Vote on motion to revise Conflict of Interest, Conflict of Commitment, and Outside Activities policy

Passes unanimously by a show of hands

2.5 Vote: US18/19-10: Academic Continuity Plan policy proposal (motion and redlines) and PROPOSAL

Presentation of policy

Motion to use redline version for basis of future votes Motion passes unanimously by show of hands

Some people are unhappy with the policy, feeling it does not adequately take into account criticisms from last meeting and that there should be a separate policy for the case of strikes.

Question raised of who would enter grades in a strike.

GTFF President given time to speak.

They like it better than the last version, but still view it as an attack on labor.

Concern raised for the impact on students' Financial Aid if grades were to not be entered

Motion to pause discussion to resume later Motion passes with a show of hands

3. Motion to adjourn (5:05pm)

Motion passes by a show of hands