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Steering Committee Minutes

Tuesday, November 10, 2020

Via Zoom

Present: Jennifer Goodnough, LeAnn Dean, Michelle Behr, Brook Miller, Lindsey Roemeling, Tim Lindberg, Ed Brands, Sam Rosemark

Guest: Alison Campbell (took minutes while Carrie was absent)

All referenced documents are housed in the Shared TeamDrive for Steering Committee.

1. Announcements

- Email sent requesting faculty member doesn't allow senior seminars to be scheduled during the community hour

2. **Discuss and approve DRAFT minutes of Steering Committee (10-20-20)**– approved by the committee

3. **Discuss and approve DRAFT minutes of Campus Assembly (10-27-20)** – approved by the committee

4. Review & finalize draft agenda for November 17, 2020 Campus Assembly

- **What needs to go on Canvas Page?** – Prior to Tuesday, not many look at this ahead of time. People find it helpful to know ahead of time if something needs to get voted on.
 - Minutes
 - Updated CA roster
 - **Curriculum committee folder**
 - Robyn VanEps sent the catalog changes from Humanities and Interdisciplinary. She also included 3 or 4 cleanup items, and changing “Foreign Language” to “World Languages.” All these changes will be reflected in 3 separate polls.
 - **Writing requirement document**
 - Would we want an up or down vote on the floor?
 - Jenn thinks this is just cleaning up a few things not a redraft
 - Committee agreed that it might be safer to do simply voting rather than on the floor voting so people have time to look through everything.

- Needs a 50% vote – what does this mean? – one option needs 50% of the votes
 - Can we do rank choice voting which requires a 50% vote as well? – yes
- **Naming info and policy** (note for future this policy may need to be brought to CA for updating with Planning Committee role and after the new Regents policy is done)
 - The Fosgate remaining failed because not enough people voted to get the 2/3 vote needed - This seems like a high bar. In the past we did get about 75% of people voting.
 - We changed our constitution to lower the bar for its changes – wanted to make sure the process is correct – naming is permanent – there is no policy about un-naming
 - There is no Regents policy to match. Only our policy applies, which was revised in 2017
 - Jenn advocated against changing the criteria now because it wouldn't look good
 - Need 131 yes votes to pass this – last Campus Assembly there were 164 people logged in
 - If we had a high enough attendance than this could be done on the floor rather than in Simply Voting
 - If someone is listed twice they could be logging in on computer and phone
 - For action -- from Steering Committee -- motion to temporarily suspend CA policy on $\frac{2}{3}$ of all CA members and require $\frac{2}{3}$ of CA members present and voting today. This motion requires a $\frac{2}{3}$ majority of those present and voting (Tim L. will address this)
 - What compelled Steering to suspend this? Because there was overwhelming support for the remaining
 - If our “for action” fails then should we try to pass it on the floor? Or leave it open longer and remind people to vote? Or go with simply voting?
 - If we bundled it with the writing requirement than it might be more successful because the writing requirement should bring a lot of interest
 - Committee agreed if it fails than go with simply voting
- **Posting policy**
 - They have a meeting now that will determine the changes

- Ideas and questions from Planning and Student Affairs are still coming in
- Would rather have more time for the writing and poster topics but now that the semester is over the poster policy is not as urgent. Hoping for information and discussion at this meeting then voting at the next
- If needed we could use as a spring board to have more conversations in Canvas
- **Calendar Invites?**
 - Link is like this?? Please test: Add to Google Calendar
 - In the past people were protective of their calendar and did not want Campus Assembly automatically put on their calendar
 - Give link to add to your calendar – might not work for others because it was from the owners zoom
 - Jenn will reach out to IT to see if this will work – we don't want to exclude others if they want to participate
 - There is no Campus Assembly listserv which will potentially make all this a lot of work
 - MCSA calendar gets published – click the 3 dots to publish events
 - If permission is restricted for invitees then we won't do it
 - Some annoyances might not outweigh the convenience and reminder this would give

5. Secretarial support for committees

- Jenn didn't get a lot of feedback from Steering about the form so would like to discuss now
- This is going to have to happen no matter what but giving people the opportunity to provide feedback ahead of time is more palatable
- Make sure there is a question that lets people share if there are tasks that could be done a different way - Hopefully the support staff will say that the work doesn't feel like essential work
- Suggest doing 5 options instead of 3
- Change multiple choice to "Yes – maybe – no"
- Make sure USA staff doesn't feel they are expected to do this work
- Modify required tasks language – looking to preserving the committee work for prosperity
- Send to recent chairs, current chairs, VC's (Bryan, Sandy, Janet), support staff

6. Student academic listserv/general communication (no guests yet) -- Data from Marketing Report and Summary Powerpoint – didn't talk about

7. **FPDD** – didn't talk about