

The April 11, 2012 meeting of the University Senate was called to order at 3:11 by Senate President Sandra Collins.

- I. Roll Call: Recording Secretary Kathy Sadowsky called the roll. Present at the meeting were the following members: Allen, Alvares, Benfield, Chatterjee, Chrite, Collins, Jonathan Cutler, Davis, Dickenson, Ficke, Gardin, Gaynor, Gill, Gingerich, Hain, Kelshaw, Lakusta, Lemesianou, Mahadevan, Meneghin, Morrissey(Montesinos), Nurse, Oluwole, Powell, Rodak, Sadowsky, Specchio, Sullivan, Wilson, Wolfson, Yu, and Zamanian
- II. Approval of March 28, 2012 Minutes – Approved.
- III. Good News/Announcements
  - a. The 3<sup>rd</sup> cross-disciplinary discourse lunch on April 4 with Dr. Julian Keenan on “Self-deception and the brain” was a success. The next lunch will be April 30 from 12-1:30 in Ballroom C of the Student Center. Dr. Nicole Bryan will present on “Understanding the mindset, vocabulary, and search patterns used by “johns” when using networked technologies in procuring victims of sex trafficking.”
- IV. Elections Committee Report – Jean Alvares
  - a. CART has elected Lori McCann and Michael Allen
  - b. CHSS has elected Jennifer Pardo, Laura Lakusta, and Gabriel Rubin
  - c. CSAM has elected Jack Gaynor
  - d. The Librarians have elected Carol Nurse
  - e. The Professional Staff have elected Lisa Ambrose
- V. Faculty Representative to BOT Report – John Luttrupp
  - a. Tuition hearings for the campus took place. 25-30 students were given the opportunity to speak, but more students signed up as students were speaking. The signups were cut off and the board did not recognize those students. This resulted in some tension.
  - b. Honorary degrees were announced and will be given at commencement and convocations.
  - c. Jonathan Aronoff and John Luttrupp are stepping down as student and faculty reps to the BOT. The new faculty rep will be Jack Baldwin-LeClair.
  - d. 9400 students completed applications for 2200 spots in next year’s freshman class.
  - e. Wireless in all on-campus buildings is complete. Phase 3 – wireless outside- is expected to be completed next year.
  - f. Nicole Bryan received a grant to study human trafficking.
  - g. A variety of contracts were awarded, including for convocation stage flooring, Yogi Berra Field maintenance, and \$70,000 to Petillo, Inc for completion of the promenade from Kasser to University Hall. Other awards included design and engineering services to French and Perillo for phase 4 of the Ward Trucking project, and to Canon Design for the design of a new School of Communication and Media building at \$2.6 million. Environetics was awarded a contract for phase 2 of design services for the School of Business. Some money paid for concept development of a new building has been rolled over to the development of Overlook.
  - h. The board approved one faculty appointment, ten managerial professional staff appointments, 31 reappointments, and 3 faculty emeriti.
  - i. A road will connect the campus to the Overlook building. Parking is included in the lease so students and faculty may park at the building.
  - j. The senate thanked John Luttrupp for his service as faculty rep to the BOT.

## VI. Report from Administration – Provost Gingerich

- a. The deal with leasing space in the Overlook building for the School of Business is nearly finalized. SBUS will be able to move in sooner than if we had built a new building. This building will create a prominent, northern entrance to the University. With the state's planned redesign of Route 46, people will be able to access the campus directly from the highway. We don't know whether people will be able to exit the campus in that direction. The building lease will be long-term, and we are not looking at moving the services currently housed at 855 Valley to this building. We are in various stages of development with several projects, including the tennis court lot and Partridge Hall, which may be turned into a one-stop shop for student services. Any scheduling issues that may arise for students and faculty to get to the Overlook Building will be resolved.
- b. Daniel Gurskis will be the new Dean of the College of the Arts starting in August. He joins us from Brooklyn College. Francine Peterman will be the new Dean of the College of Education and Human Services beginning July 1. She joins us from Queens College. Although they are both coming from the CUNY system, their institutions are very different and they will make great contributions.
- c. The 4<sup>th</sup> annual book and media event will take place on April 23.
- d. WMSC, the campus radio station, will move into studios on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of Schmitt Hall. These are state-of-the-art broadcasting facilities that will also be shared with media partners such as WNYC. While we cannot buy a more powerful broadcasting license, we will be able to broadcast online to reach a wider audience. This studio will be working in conjunction with the new School of Communication and Media.
- e. The periodic review report is due June 1. We have a draft but there are still some holes that we need to fill. Please continue with your contributions.

## VII. Academic Affairs Council Report – Jason Dickinson – nothing to report

## VIII. Administrative Affairs Council Report – Milos Topic was detained so Saundra Collins shared that he has not yet received feedback from Tim Carey with regards to the concern about hand dryers replacing paper towels in the bathrooms.

## IX. Student Affairs Council Report – Michael Allen

- a. The announcement about the Senate Book Award went out yesterday campus-wide, and we have already received 3-4 responses. The council will review the essays (typically 18-25 are received) and announce the winner at the May meeting. The topic is how the possibility of Montclair becoming a tobacco-free campus would affect students.

## X. NAL Report –David Benfield

- a. April 25 is an information and action day across the nine state colleges and possibly Rutgers. It is important for the state to see that we are standing together. There has not been a lot of progress on negotiations at the state or local level, but we are hard at work.

## XI. New Business

- a. Cindy Meneghin reported on the MSU Faculty/Staff Profile pages and encouraged everyone to update their information. The purpose of the pages is to provide an easy, web-based format to provide consistent basic info. A department may assign an administrator to enter the information for each member of the department, if they wish. It will be a top priority to make these pages searchable by research interest once the webpage is updated. The Senate recommended putting anchors at the top of the profile page so people can jump to the area of interest. It also recommended that Cindy work with new faculty orientation to encourage the profile pages' use.
- b. Roger Solomon was nominated to the Employee Safety Committee and this nomination was approved.
- c. Jennifer Pardo, Fred Gardin and Zaman Zamanian were nominated to the Honorary Degree Committee. The president will choose one representative.

- d. Chris Cottle was approved to continue serving on the President's Commission on Affirmative Action and Diversity.
- e. Issues from Campus (CART, CEHS, CHSS, CSAM, SBUS, Librarians, Prof. Staff, At-Large)
  - i. The Director of Women's Studies expressed concern in the reduction of credits from six to three for service in this role. The concern was referred to the union, which has requested data on overload and release to see if it is equitable.
  - ii. David Benfield expressed concerned about the generator providing the lighting for Lot T1. It seems this lot can be lit in a more ecological way. The generator is loud, and three of the four lights have burned out.
  - iii. Bill Sullivan expressed concern about how the Board of Trustees representative is selected. The senate calls for nominations, we have an election, but the administration needs to approve it, and we do not know if they select the person who received the most votes. Rich Wolfson stated that the law does not require the board to have a faculty rep. Sandra Collins stated that since she has been president, they have selected the person who received the highest number of votes.

XII. Adjournment at 4:19 pm.

Minutes Approved May 9, 2012

Respectfully Submitted by Kathleen Sadowsky, University Senate Recording Secretary