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Faculty Senate Executive Committee (FSEC)
Minutes of Meeting #11 July 22, 2020 via Zoom

1. CALL TO ORDER

1. The Faculty Senate Executive Committee (FSEC) meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM by Chair Echevarria. Vice-Chair Cardany, Senators Barbour, Hicks, Morokoff, and Welters were in attendance. Guest: Board of Trustees Faculty Representative Gindy

2. GUEST

1. Board of Trustees Faculty Representative Gindy reported on BOT meetings she attended and the committee structure of the URI Board of Trustees (BOT). She informed the FSEC that the next meeting of the BOT would be Thursday, September 10th, and Friday, September 11th. The FSEC will invite the Chair of the BOT, Margo Cook, and the Board, to a Faculty Senate meeting in the Fall. Professor Gindy left the meeting at 11:03 AM.

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPDATES

1. Chair Echevarría reported that she had reached out to Calendar Committee Chair Meyerson and was awaiting a response regarding the Spring 2021 Academic Calendar. There is a Diversity, Equity & Inclusion 365 (DE&I 365) event tomorrow, a presentation by Dr. Ravello, Director, Community & Organizational Development, on *A Framework for Organizational Change: The Multicultural Change Intervention Matrix*.
2. Vice-Chair Cardany informed the FSEC that invitations had gone out for a C&S meeting and the Special Committee for Curricular Committee Structure Refinement meeting. The special meeting to discuss the General Education GCH rubric is not scheduled yet.
3. The report from Senator Hicks on Title IX was postponed to the next FSEC meeting.
4. Senator Morokoff discussed the recent University Diversity Council (UDC) meeting. The Council discussed their interest in additional diversity professional development for faculty and in the curriculum. Senator Morokoff suggested inviting CED Associate Vice President (AVP) and UDC Chair Almandrez and UDC member, College of Arts and Sciences Dean Riley, to a FSEC meeting to discuss communication strategies. An invitation will be extended to both AVP/CDO Director Almandrez and Dr. Joanna Ravello to speak at the first Faculty Senate meeting.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. The minutes of FSEC Meeting #8 July 1, 2020, and FSEC Meeting #9 July 8, 2020, were approved with revisions.
 2. The minutes of FSEC Meeting #10 July 15, 2020, were postponed pending revision.
5. The FSEC discussed the faculty response to the recent FSEC message. The Chair emailed faculty members who voiced their concerns.
- There was a discussion on hosting a meeting on the topic of academic freedom. An academic freedom presentation could include partners such as AAUP. The Chair will reach out to the parties to determine interest.
6. **COMMITTEES-** Discussion on Standing and Joint committee appointments was postponed to the next FSEC meeting due to time constraints.
7. **AFRICANA STUDIES DEPARTMENT PROPOSAL-** The FSEC Chair explained that she was approached by a faculty member asking for FSEC support for the Africana Studies Program's organizational change. During the discussion of the topic, the FSEC had questions about hiring full-time faculty for the proposed Africana Studies Department.
8. The discussion of Zoom site license recommendations for ITGov was deferred to the next FSEC meeting.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 12:07.