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**Faculty Senate Executive Committee (FSEC)
Meeting #41 March 16, 2021, 9:00-10:00am
Via Zoom**

Minutes

1. President Echevarria called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. Vice President Cardany, Senators Barbour, Hicks, Morokoff, Welters, and Vice President elect Rice were present.

2. **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPDATES**
 - a. President Echevarria announced that she and Vice President Cardany met with President Dooley and URI Foundation President O'Rourke. It was announced that Dr. and Mrs. Dooley are establishing a \$15,000 fund supporting the work of the Faculty Senate. The fund will be distributed to Senators at the discretion of the Senate leadership to support teaching, research, and service.
 - b. President Echevarria reviewed time constraints for the March 18th Faculty Senate meeting. She stated that she had notified presenters of a 10-minute limit. President Echevarria explained that she informed Student Senate Chair McGrath who requested to speak, he could do so during the "new business" portion of the meeting.
 - c. President Echevarria received a request for the raw data collected on the identification of diversity and inclusion components in courses. The Committee determined that sharing of the raw material was not appropriate.
 - d. Senator Kang-Won Wayne Lee shared a Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (JEDI) [resolution](#) from California regarding anti-Asian discrimination, with the hopes of a University Resolution. President Echevarria and the Committee felt this important issue should be addressed at the Senate meeting in April when there will be adequate time for discussion.

3. The minutes from [Meeting #39](#), March 2, 2021 were approved. The minutes from [Meeting #40](#), March 9, 2021 were approved with revisions. A comment on the minutes from Senator Morokoff regarding training for committee chairs on workload expectations was discussed and moved to an "action" item.

4. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- a. Members of the Faculty Senate Executive Committee attended a meeting with Student Senate leaders to discuss a call for compassion due to stress associated with the elimination of spring break. President Echevarria reiterated that she recommended Student Senate Chair McGrath speak during the “new business” portion of the Faculty Senate meeting.
- b. President Echevarria discussed the proposal for a new ABM program received from the College of Business. The new program will combine any Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree with the Master of Science in Labor Relations and Human Resources. Seeing no issue with the request, the proposal will be forwarded to the Curriculum and Standards Committee (C&SC) for consideration. Senator Welters offered to attend the C&SC meeting.
- c. President Echevarria requested that the Executive Committee review and provide feedback on the [Confidential Draft of UDC Curriculum Report](#). Senator Morokoff provided a quick summary of the report. Discussion included incorporating JEDI issues into URI 101, creating a new required course, and utilizing the breadth of the general education program and the assessment process.

The remaining agenda items will be included on the March 23rd meeting agenda.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:06 a.m.