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Faculty Senate Executive Committee (FSEC)
Meeting #48 May 4, 2021, 9:30-11:00am
Via [Zoom](#)

Minutes

- 1. CALL TO ORDER:** President Echevarria called the meeting to order at 9:36 AM. Vice President Cardany, Senators Barbour, Hicks, Morokoff, Welters, and Vice President-elect Rice were present.
- 2. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPDATES**
 - a. President Echevarria announced the results of the General Faculty Referendum on changes to the Senate membership and the apportionment. Eighty-six percent were in favor of changing Senate membership and the apportionment, 12.43% voted no, and 2.38% abstained.
 - b. Vice President-elect Rice added additional information concerning the Morrill Act of 1862 to the Land Acknowledgement presented to the UDC.
 - c. There is no new information on the bereavement policy.
 - d. President Echevarria announced that the video from the Communications and Marketing Office on URI celebrating the past ten years will not be ready in time for the final meeting of the Faculty Senate.
- 3.** The FS President postponed minutes of meetings # 46 April 20, 2021, and #47 April 27, 2021, for approval until the next FSEC meeting.
- 4. DISCUSSION ITEMS**
 - a. The FSEC discussed how to disseminate and present the JEDI reports. The JEDI Reports document should include an executive summary with the core recommendations. The FSEC also stressed the importance of disseminating the reports via email to senior leadership, deans, chairs, faculty, and the Board of Trustees. The Faculty Senate website landing page will include a link to a dedicated JEDI page with details about all of the committee reports and links to the full documents. It was decided that the FSEC would also create print

materials for distribution and agreed to request funds from the Provost or the President to support this.

- b. The FS President reviewed the Provost-Senate MOU and presented possible budget scenarios for the FSEC to consider and discuss. The next steps will be to reach consensus within FSEC on a final proposal and then present the proposal to the Provost.
 - c. Senator Hicks provided an update on the forthcoming changes to prior learning assessment at URI.
 - d. The FSEC discussed the Global Steering Committee and the International Travel Review Committee chaired by Vice Provost Ako-Adounvo.
 - e. FS President shared for FSEC review contributed responses for the word cloud honoring President Dooley.
 - f. The FSEC reviewed and discussed the Faculty Senate meeting agenda for May 13, 2021.
5. Meeting adjourned at 11:20 AM.