

## **Governance, Communications and Recruitment (GoCore)**

### **Committee Meeting of Faculty Senate**

Tuesday, August 24, 2021

3:00 PM-4:30PM

**Attendees:** Barbara Kirby (Co-Chair), Burak Erdim, Meagan Kittle Autry, Megan Jacob (Co-Chair), Andrey Kuznetsov, Joan Nicholas-Walker, Kimberly Ange-van Heugten, Matt Stallmann, Marko Hakovirta, Tamah Morant

**Absent:** None

### **Agenda Items**

1. Introductions and meeting times:
  - a. All committee members provided a brief introduction of themselves and their role at NC State University
  - b. The meeting time was established as every other Tuesday through the academic calendar year at 3:00 p.m via zoom per majority preference. Zoom links for future meetings will be sent.
2. Committee mission and goals:
  - a. Barabara Kirby provided an overview of the GoCore history and mission.
3. Faculty Grievance (607), Non-reappointment review (604) and Hearings Committee (603) vacancies:
  - a. All vacancies were reported on. Veterinary Medicine has two slots, one tenured and one open faculty seat. Megan Jacob will follow up with Dean Lunn to check status of nominees. Textiles has two 607 seats (tenured or open) and two hearing seats (open). Barbara Kirby will follow up with Dean Hinks regarding the status of nominees. The general constituency was filled, as was Natural Resources with Deperno (Hearings) and Hakovirta (Grievance/Reappointment).
4. New Senator Orientation:
  - a. Committee chairs reported on invitations to Chair Barry-James and previous Chairs Kellner and Byrd to create 10-15 minute videos on topics to include Faculty Senate mission, vision and structure, history of the Senate, and past successes of the Senate. Tamah Morant has established a moodle space to host the orientation and once videos are obtained, they will be posted and shared there. Follow-ups to create content are needed.

- b. Senators discussed orientation to include information on how Faculty Senate meetings are conducted, including decorum.

5. Faculty Senate Chambers IT update

- a. Barbara Kirby provided an update from the 2020-2021 GoCore session priority of upgrading IT infrastructure in the Senate Chambers. These efforts are largely aimed at resources needed to conduct Senate business virtually, or a combination of virtual and in-person. The Provost's Office and the Libraries jointly funded the upgrades which are expected to be complete by August 31, 2021. Training will be required to ensure Senate members know how to use new technology.

6. 2021-2022 Priorities to Discuss:

- a. Discussion was based around a shared google worksheet with 2020-2021 committee priorities and activities. The committee agreed to continue with established priorities.

7. Posting of Faculty Meeting Webinars:

- a. Discussion from the committee was centered on sharing or publishing of Faculty Senate meetings, which are recorded in order to accurately produce meeting minutes. The committee recommends that we continue to use the meeting minutes as the Faculty Senate's official record. The minutes are posted on the Faculty Senate website. The minutes are archived and retained as a public record. The committee supports posting presentations if the presenters agree. The committee does not recommend making the recording the public record given the lack of decorum and respect shown to the speakers by selected Senators and guests, especially in chat and Q&A. We agree that respectful disagreement and passionate discussion is desirable and welcomed. Presenters should feel comfortable presenting honest, unfiltered information without concerns that their remarks will be misconstrued. The preference is to have the recording remain as a transient document as information for preparing accurate minutes.

8. Meeting adjournment.