

Faculty Senate Policy Committee

Meeting Notes

November 4, 2020

3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Members Present: Karen Patterson (Co-Chair), Lee Brown (Co-Chair), Kelley Holladay, Robert Christenson, Min Young Ro, Karen Armitage, Matthew Hofer, Monika Nitsche, and Ronda Brulotte

Ex-Officio: Amy Levi, Vice Chancellor, HSC, Katherine Miefert, Associate University Counsel, University Counsel Office, Nancy Middlebrook, University Secretary, Office of the University Secretary, and Vivian Valencia, University Secretary Emerita, Office of the University Secretary

Members Absent: Barbara Rodriguez, Senior Vice Provost, Office of the Provost

Ex-Officio Absent:

Staff Present: Candyce Torres, Administrative Coordinator, Office of the University Secretary, Carol Stephens, Professional Consultant, Office of the Secretary

Guest Present:

Meeting began at 3:30pm

1. The regular meeting of the Faculty Senate (FS) Policy Committee was called to order at 3:30PM on Wednesday, November 4, 2020 via zoom by Co-Chairs Chairs, Karen Patterson and Lee Brown.
2. **Approval of Agenda.** Approved
3. **Meeting Notes.** Approved
4. **Updates.** Faculty Handbook policies **C230 “Military Leave Policy”** and **Ethics Committee Charges** are out for campus comment with a closing period ending **Nov 22, 2020**. To date there are two brief faculty comments received.

5. **A53.1 “Faculty Misconduct Review Committee.** The policy text provided in blue are the changes to be addressed today. Some language contained in the Policy Statement was further discussed.

Action- Insert language to include, “If hearing is requested by a graduate student a graduate student shall be appointed” and entertain adding “as one of the five members”.

Action- Motion to approve policy changes/to move policy document forward to Faculty Senate Operations Committee to be added to the Faculty Senate agenda passed by unanimous vote.

6. **C07** policy discussion to address campus comments occurred at considerable length. Suggested changes to **Policy Statement** were not applied. There were no changes to the **Applicability** section of the policy. Further discussion continued over the definitions section and an objection to strike out any of the examples provided for misconduct. There will not be any deletions/removals as suggested by faculty comment. No changes to **personnel file** were applied. The committee completed review with **Warning** in the **Definitions** section at the bottom of page 3. and will continue discussing/addressing the remaining faculty concerns with the policy document next month.

7. **Adjourn**