

Faculty Senate Policy Committee

Meeting Notes

March 3, 2021

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

- Members Present:** Karen Patterson (Co-Chair), Lee Brown (Co-Chair), Robert Christenson, Min Young Ro, Karen Armitage, Matthew Hofer, Monika Nitsche, and Ronda Brulotte
- Ex-Officio:** Barbara Rodriguez, Senior Vice Provost, Office of the Provost Amy Levi, Vice Chancellor, Brandon Toensing, Associate University Counsel, University Counsel Office HSC, Nancy Middlebrook, University Secretary, Office of the University Secretary, and Vivian Valencia, University Secretary Emerita, Office of the University Secretary
- Members Absent:** Kelley Holladay
- Ex-Officio Absent:**
- Staff Present:** Felisha Martinez, 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, March 3, 2021 via zoom by Co-Chairs, Karen Patterson and Lee Brown.
2. **Approval of Agenda.** Amendment to have meeting notes approved at later date. Approved by unanimous decision.
3. **Meeting Notes.** Notes from February 2, 2021 to be approved at the next meeting along with those completed for March 3, 2021.
4. **Updates:**
 - C07 “Faculty Misconduct and Progressive Discipline Policy”-** This policy was approved by Faculty Senate. Regent approval is pending as item was removed from the ASAR Committee agenda due to extenuating circumstances. It is unknown at this time if it will be on the next agenda.
 - A67 “Faculty Ethics and Advisory Committee”-** This policy was approved by Faculty Senate. The policy will be posted soon.
 - Consensual Relationships Taskforce-** This group has been meeting regularly and making positive progress. A draft to the Policy Committee could be sent in May 2021 for consideration over the summer.

5. Action Items:

A61.2 “Faculty Senate Curricula Committee”- State statues were changed, and corrections were made to update “General Education Program” rather than “Core Curriculum”. Other changes were made below the line, so they do not need to go out for campus comment and only need approval of the Policy Committee and the Operations Committee. Changes were suggested in the “Procedures” section and discussed in detail by the committee. However, the committee agreed to further discuss changes at the next meeting due to time constraints. Co-chair stated they will reach out to Christine DeLuca to ask more questions regarding the wording of this section and if suggested changes are below or above the line changes.

C230 “Military Leave”- Changes to the policy were made due to federal law and recent Changes to federal law. Another change to be made was related to proper documentation of military leave and time in which it is presented. The committee discussed a few minor wording changes. Changes approved by unanimous decision.

6. Discussion Items:

Copyright Issues- Co-chair discussed revising Copyright Issues and/or Intellectual Property policies as they may overlap.

C150 “Political Activities of UNM Faculty” and C240 “Leave of Absence Incident to Political Activity- It was discussed the policy be reviewed during a non-election cycle. Documents regarding concerns were shared with the committee. A brief discussion was held by the committee regarding this topic.

The FS Policy Committee meeting will hold a meeting on **April 7, 2021** from 3:30PM-5:00PM via zoom.

7. Adjourn