College of Journalism & Communications Faculty Senate Minutes of the February 1, 2017 meeting

Members attending: Cynthia Morton Padovano, Kay Tappan, Norm Lewis, Amy Jo Coffey, Michael Leslie, Deanna Pelfrey, Eunice Kim

Members attending: Sri Kalyanaraman

Others attending: Randy Bennett, Spiro Kiousis (via phone), Zenna Brown

Agenda Item	Discussion and/or action taken	Follow-up
Call to order	Pelfrey called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.	
Approval of minutes	• 1-18-17 minutes were approved unanimously	
CJC Security Camera feedback	• Pelfrey had not received any written feedback regarding the security camera project and and asked Senators if there was anything to report from their respective departments. Randy Wright will be moving forward with securing final costs for the proposal and discussing it with the administration. Senators were asked to seek faculty comments and send them to her or to Wright.	
Guidelines for CJC Selection UF Term Professorships	 Kiousis discussed the Term Professorship selection process and said there are eight slots for this year and next year, to be broken down four this year and four next year. He said that colleges can choose their own process of selection, but eligibility is determined by the University. Kiousis said there will be a special CJC committee who will decide on the process and selection. After a brief discussion, it was recommended that the committee consist of one member from each of the following groups: Deans and Chairs, Research committee, Faculty Senate, and Graduate committee, with agreement that there should be representation from each department. 	
Administrative Faculty Evaluation Update	• Coffey is scheduled to meet with Bob Parks from HR to whom she was referred by Jodi Gentry, UF VP of HR. Coffey will update the Senate about the discussion with Parks at the next Faculty Senate meeting.	
Constitution/By- Laws Update	 Tappan said she is met with Amy Jo Coffey, Mindy McAdams and Deanna Pelfrey to review the Constitution. Overall, there is concern that the Constitution needs to be updated to reflect what is currently done and/or desired. She said the group has reviewed the Constitution; a handout with suggested modifications was distributed in advance of today's Senate meeting. They are still working on the By-Laws and will bring suggested changes to the Senate soon. They are hoping to have suggestions reviewed by the Senate to present at the year end all-faculty meeting. 	

Strategic Plan: Diversity and Inclusion/ Academic Distinction/ Career Readiness	 Bennett reviewed two goals of the Strategic Plan draft documents with the Senate. There was a lengthy discussion about defining Communication Science as well as the pros and cons of creating a Communication Sciences department in the CJC; many Senators voiced significant concerns in multiple areas about creating a new department in the CJC. Bennett went on to say the intent of this document is to send a draft for everyone to review sometime in February to secure feedback. Pelfrey suggested having the Senate review the remaining three plan goals at our next Senate meeting on 2/15/17. Further, we may want to consider scheduling an all-faculty meeting in late March to get faculty feedback and discussion. Bennett said the tentative schedule is to have the plan finished and something in place in time for the accreditation review. He agreed to meet with the Faculty Senate on 2/15/17.
Other Business	 Kiousis gave an update on Digital Measures adding that it is about ready and hoping to do beta-testing by the end of the month. This is the new system for completing faculty self-evaluations. The deadline for self-evaluation is March 15, 2017.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:11 p.m. Respectfully submitted by Zenna Brown