

Minutes, Senate Called Faculty Meeting
10:00 a.m.- 11:00 a.m., April 23, 2020, via Zoom

- 1. The meeting was called to order at 10:15 and the minutes of the last meeting were approved by voice vote.**
- 2. Outgoing senate chair Michael Leslie, thanked the senate and committees for their work during the previous year and welcomed the senate president elect, Kim Walsh Childers.**
- 3. Mary Ann Ferguson reported that the election process was complete and announced that committee assignments would be sent to executive dean Spiro Kiouisis, for communication to department chairs and faculty.**
- 4. Kim Walsh Childers announced that Administrator Evaluations would be postponed to early fall 2020.**

5. Brief Summary Annual Reports for given the College Committee Chairs and Task Force Chairs:

Matt Sheehan - Budget and Long-Range Planning
James Babanikos – Teaching and Curriculum
Eric Esterline – Faculty Welfare and Development
Tom Kelleher – Graduate and Research
Houston Wells – Technology
Joanna Hernandez – Inclusion, Diversity and Equity
Sylvia Chan-Olmsted – Sabbatical/FEO
James Babanikos – Sustained Performance
Roxane Coche – International
Debbie Treise – Tenure and Promotion

6. James Babanikos and Spiro Kiouisis reported activities related to the Core Curriculum/ Inclusion and Diversity initiative implementation:

“The Dean's Office in the College of Journalism and Communications charges each department with development of a new course or course content that addresses diversity, cultural awareness, and internationalization as a part of the **core requirements** of each department. The recommendations of each department should be submitted to the College Teaching and Curriculum Committee by March 15. The College committee will then make a final set of written recommendations to the Dean's office by April 15. The recommendations must ensure that diversity, cultural awareness, and internationalization are *prominently* addressed throughout the curricula of each department.” Babanikos reported that every department had made progress in either creating new courses or stipulating a group of existing courses that all student must take to meet the diversity and inclusion requirement. Kiouisis promised that this requirement becomes effective fall 2020.

8. The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 (Minutes prepared by Michael Leslie, senate chair)