Minutes

Thursday, September 17, 2020, 3-3:50 p.m. Meeting of the CJC Faculty Senate

Via Zoom

Attending: Kim Walsh-Childers, Cynthia Barnett, Huan Chen, Carla Fisher, Mary Ann Ferguson, Carma Bylund, Churchill Roberts, Spiro Kiousis, Angela Bradbery

The meeting was called to order at 3:01 p.m. Mary Ann Ferguson moved approval of minutes of the Sept. 3, 2020, meeting, and Churchill Roberts seconded. Senators unanimously approved the minutes.

Walsh-Childers provided an update on administrator evaluations, noting that relatively few faculty had responded. Some faculty were not on the original list to receive links to the surveys; these have been added. Walsh-Childers will send a reminder to all faculty requesting completion of the evaluations.

Ferguson led a discussion of the need to revise our process for electing/appointing faculty members to committees. In past years, this process has begun in mid-January and isn't completed until the end of the semester. This is not enough time, Ferguson said; she recommended that a committee be appointed to begin the process in November 2020. Fisher, Bylund and Kiousis agreed to serve as the committee elections committee this year, with Bylund chairing.

Walsh-Childers shared the Technology Committee's recommendations about how faculty can prepare to respond in case we experience a Zoom or Internet outage that interferes with online class meetings. Roberts noted that the UF Help Desk recommends Google Meets as a back-up. Walsh-Childers will send the complete set of recommendations to all faculty.

The Senate discussed the need for faculty involvement in review of the finalists for CJC dean. In accord with the CJC Constitution, each department will be asked to select a representative to serve on this committee. Walsh-Childers will notify chairs of this request and ask the search committee chair, Dr. Reid, to include time in each candidate's visit to meet with the committee. (Update: Carma

Bylund, Janice Krieger, Cynthia Barnett & Michael Leslie have been elected to serve on this committee).

Roberts asked about the UF administration's policies are far as keeping offices open in Tigert. Kiousis said CJC departments and the dean's office are open during normal business hours, although not all staff members are there at all times. The PATH office is open every day, but only one or two advisers are in the office each day.

Ferguson suggested that one Senator should be appointed as parliamentarian. Chen accepted the request to serve in that position.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:42 p.m.