



CLEVELAND STATE UNIVERSITY
Faculty Senate

MEETING MINUTES

October 12, 2022

3:00 PM – Student Center Ballroom

PRESENT: Faculty Senate Officers A. Kumar, M. Bayachou, D. Hubbard Faculty Senators J. Ausherman, B. Browning, P. Daiker-Middaugh,

He noted that communication between Senates and the administration has been good. The administration is reviewing the university's "Gen Eds" which is more commonly known in higher education as "Core Curriculum". Faculty have received an online questionnaire regarding the core curriculum in general, and asking for interested faculty to work on a committee addressing current issues. The Academic Steering committee agreed that the committee would have 15 members in total, 11 from the faculty and four at the Provost will identify.

Senate President Kumar spoke about the idea of shared governance and collaborative decision-making, and the role that faculty play in both. He referenced two articles that were subsequently sent to all Faculty Senate: "Campuses Need Collaborative Decision-making More than Shared Governance," Thomas J. Pfaff, and "Exactly What is 'Shared Governance'?", Gary A. Olson.

He pointed out that ultimately "the buck stops" with the Board of Trustees, however campus constituents and leadership should work with ideas of transparency, openness and collaboration. Information should be shared, and, of course, collaborations cannot happen in a vacuum. (Report No. 1, 2022-2023)

IV. Report of the President of the University

President Bloomberg thanked Dr. Kumar for speaking about the importance of shared governance and also for taking the time to remember those faculty members who have passed, noting that the practice of remembering helps with community building.

Highlights of the President's report include:

The resurgence of the Retired Faculty and Professional Staff Association (RFPSA) is underway; she recently joined the group for lunch on campus and the group will be housed under the umbrella of Advancement and alumni relations.

She was impressed with the event where Golden Apple awards were presented to faculty who were nominated by recent graduates and the Young Alumni Council.

Thanks were extended to all who participated and helped with the recent investiture ceremony; her colleagues from outside universities were impressed with the turn-out of the Cleveland State community.

As she learns more about the scope of activities and research at the University, President Bloomberg continues to be impressed, giving a shout out to an initiative called "Thrive" which addresses aspects of the LGBTQ+ community, youth, and healthcare.

President Bloomberg plans to highlight good news across campus and throughout the region; "Trumpet Calls" will be implemented to help spread the good work happening across campus.

President Bloomberg highlighted the commitment of longtime supporters of the Levin family, at the University. (Report No. 1, 2022-2023)

The President plans to launch a Campus Leadership Council comprised of cabinet members and other campus leaders to address: 1) completion of college realignment; 2) student success—retention and graduation; 3) advancing enrollment strategies; and 4) a review of work that is already completed.

The Fall commencement ceremony is scheduled for Sunday, December 18, 2022; an honorary degree will be awarded to Mr. Lawrence “Kido” Travagliante, and the commencement

Respectfully Submitted,

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Dana Hubbard, Faculty Senate Secretary