

CLEVELAND STATE UNIVERSITY
Faculty Senate

MINUTES

November 3, 2021

3:00 P.M. – Moot Court Room LB 101

PRESENT: Faculty Senate Leadership R. Krebs, A. Kumar, and R. Carneal Faculty Senators

faculty and staff service award celebrations, where faculty and staff were honored for their long service. President Sands mentioned the sunset Evening with the Stars, involving NASA. He also touted our close and collaborative ties with CWRU. He then introduced Dr. Chelle Banks as the inaugural Presidential Faculty Fellow. President Sands also gave a shout out to the men's basketball team and Coach Dennis Gates's commitment to UCCs: culture, classroom, and court.

V. University Curriculum Committee

Marcus Schultz-Bergin

(Report No. 4, 2021-2022)

Dr. Schultz-Bergin, chair of UCC, introduced the Consent agenda, which passed by voice vote:

Consent Agenda

- A. Biology, Accelerated 4+1 BS/MS
- B. Physics, Accelerated 4+1 BS/MS
- C. Nursing/Business Administration, MSN/MBA

Discussion Agenda

Dr. Schultz-Bergin then introduced the discussion agenda. The following items passed by separate voice votes:

- D. Doctor of Nursing Practice, DNP
- E. Business, MBA
(Report No. 4, 2021-2022)

F. 5-Year Academic Calendar Review (for AY 2023-2028) (Report No. 4, 2021-2022)

Dr. Schultz-Bergin explained that several modifications were suggested by UCC and reviewed by Steering (involving urgent changes Juneteenth and Columbus Day, made without Senate approval, which now require retroactive approval). This detail was approved by voice vote

Dr. Schultz-Bergin then referred to other items still being discussed by UCC and Steering involving Columbus Day and the day before Thanksgiving, sought by students as a day off. He also raised the possibility of changing the name of Columbus Day to Indigenous People's Day. He also referred to the imbalance between number of teaching days in Fall and Spring (which could possibly be balanced by snow days or a reading days).

Faculty from different departments and colleges spoke about various contingent circumstances based on their curricula that would impact the discussion. Following this discussion, two motions were introduced:

UCC introduced a Motion to recommend a change to the Calendar to rename "Columbus Day" to Indigenous People's Day. This motion passed by voice vote

UCC introduced a Motion that Indigenous People's Day should alternate with Veteran's Day (Tu/Th / MWF), so that 2025 would echo 2021 in detail on the 5-year calendar attached with the Senate agenda.

Brian Mickelbank made a motion for the academic calendar, going forward, seconded by Jim Marino:

Eliminate "midterm week" designation; rename "midterm grading deadline" as "midsemester

and announced the upcoming graduate student awards for which faculty can nominate worthy students.

XV. New Business – there being none, ~~the~~ meeting was adjourned at 5:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,