

## **APARC Minutes**

November 17, 2020

**Present:** Stacey Bosick (SB), Catherine Fonseca (CF), Elita Virmani (EV), Emily Acosta Lewis (EAL), Trevor Paige (TP), Puspa Amri (PA), Kathleen Rockett (KR), Laura Lupei (LL), Damien Hansen (DH), Megan Burke (MB)

**Minutes by:** Catherine Fonseca

11/3 Minutes approved; 11/17 Agenda approved

### **Chair's Report**

- Communicated that the core values of the university are not articulated anywhere and this makes the alignment of strategic priorities/program review difficult
- Provost Moranski brought this up at ExComm. Dr. Jerlena Griffin Desta is working on a team to look at and define core values
- Sentiment is positive around the alignment of program review and strategic priorities
- Last Senate folks were asking Provost Moranski what we'll be doing moving forward in Fall 2021, will need to make a decision by March (bound to the CA color scheme)
- Doesn't anticipate a complete reopening; great interest expressed by faculty in continuing to offer online learning opportunities in a post-COVID world
- Discussion around how to approach distance learning faculty living in another state. Senate is looking to come up with some guidance around how to deal with that.

### **Academic Affairs Report**

- Continuity group has approved list of courses for in-person in Spring
- In-person courses for this semester are still going but Risk Management are concerned about students coming back from Thanksgiving Break. Recommending quarantining for students visiting family for the holiday and returning for in-person classes
- Faculty Exchange on Structural Inequality next week
- Welcome input on post-vaccine environment. Could go to duplicating courses as in-person as well as online offering. Or could go in the direction of hyflex classrooms.
  - Mandating students be vaccinated before accessing campus would come from the Chancellor's Office
- AB1416 Voted in favor of eliminating 'social justice' from the name of the requirement and now it is simply ethnic studies
  - -Logistics and implementation still need to be worked on at separate meeting
  - Not required to be in the Lower Division, but is structurally in the GE program as lower division F requirement

### **ATISS Report**

- Sandy Ayala had met with Deborah Roberts to ensure the syllabus policy wouldn't fall flat in the Senate, anticipating any concerns when the policy will be voted on.

### **UPRS Report**

- Regarding edits to self-study guide: Some concerns were raised regarding increased workload. Are we expecting programs to address the strategic priorities comprehensively or focus more richly on one or a few?
- Discussion around how individual programs make up part of the whole university, and as such

contribute in part (but not all at once) to the strategic priorities and the core values. Therefore we should be careful about languages that implies each program needs to speak to each priority/core value individually

- UPRS initially recommends that APARC consider a prompt that asks programs to speak to what strategic priorities/core values are priorities within the specific program.

#### **Campus Planning Committee Report**

- Call for anyone available once a month on Tuesdays at 2pm since EV has a standing conflict?

#### **Business**

##### **1.) SYNCING PROGRAM REVIEW WITH STRATEGIC PLANNING**

- Committee preferred to front load the wording as a general guideline as opposed to sprinkling it throughout as a narrative prompt
- Placing it into the Context and Curriculum section
- Disagreements over whether we want programs to address the strategic initiatives, the core values, or build in flexibility for programs to choose from both
- Drafted 2 question options, Catherine to present to UPRS for initial feedback