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University Senate Agenda September 20, 2019 2:00-3:15 in Rowan Hall

2:00-2:15

- 1. Approval of agenda-Motioned, Seconded, Approved
- 2. Introduction of visitors -None
- 3. Approval of minutes from May meeting -Motioned, Approved
- 4. President's report

k. Administrative changes:

- Provost: Tony Lowman
- Jim Newell: Senior VP for Medical Initiatives and Affiliated Campuses
- Horacio Sosa: Vice President, Strategic Ventures & Initiatives
- Gaëtane Jean-Marie: Dean, College of Education •

Stephanie Farrell, Interim Dean, Rowan College of Engineering

- Karen Magee-Sauer: Interim Dean, College of Science and Math (Cristian Botez on leave)
- Al Betts, Director of Admissions (retired)
- Drew Tinnin: Interim Dean of Students (failed search)
- Richard Jones, VP of Student Engagement
- Scott Woodside: Director for Student Health Services (departure of David Rubenstein)
- John Giannini: Interim Athletic Director (retirement of Dan Gilmore)-will be at October Senate Meet

- A-There should be an email to the Dean with Provost copied on the issue.
- Q-We have be advocating for the campus to become smoke and tobacco free. Are you in favor of this initiative? How can you help us move this forward?
- A-I am in favor of this. We will be looking into a master plan of the campus and this will be part of this process.
- Q-What is your vision for graduate programs and research?
- A-We want to re-launch a Graduate School. We have many new doctoral programs and other graduate program. We need policies, rocedures, and rules for these programs and students.
- Q-Are there any plans to move the Hardship Withdraws back to Dean of Students.
- A-We are waiting for the Dean of Students position to be filled permanently, in order to make a decision. However, I do find it part of Academic Affairs work.
- Q-What is your vision or strategies for the Camden Campus?
- A- Placing Peter Rattigan there is the first step. Camden Campus is just another one of our building, just further away. We need to coordinate activities and integrate everything better.
- Q- We have had many faculty hires, but next to no library hires. How is the campus going to grow if the library does not grow?
- A-Tony will be meeting with all divisions he oversees and determine need.
- Q-Can you comment on your philosophy on research?
- A-We should be doing research to drive our programs home. Faculty engaged in their research and field, will help our students at the undergraduate and graduate levels. We are currently an R2, within 3 or 4 years we could be an R1 just based on our research and growth. We have to assess where we are and what we need. The Provost is putting together a Senior Advisory Committee of Tenured faculty and a Junior faculty committee to look at peer groups and institutions. We need to determine how to distribute our resources going forward and how do we advocate for even more.
- Q-What does a vibrant and healthy Fine and Creative Arts look like for you?
- A-I would love to come visit your departments. I need to get educated and engaged on what you are doing.
- Q-We discussed that the curriculum bottleneck is not in Senate. What do you envision with curriculum proposals going forward?
- A-These proposals cannot sit in the Provost's Office for as long as they have in the past. Work in the office will be divided Mariano, Roberta, and Trish.

- Q-To what extent will you be interfacing Jim Newell and the Graduate School of Biomedical Science?
- A-We need to look at duplication of programs and courses. We need a wider pool of research mentors and advisors.
- Q-Does professional staff side fit with the research agenda?
- A-Thank you for putting this on my radar. I would like to talk more about this in the future.
- 6. Erin Hannah and Scott Woodside, CARES

Connection between various student service offices to work on student issues that are not crisis issues but have other issues that the team may be able to assist with.

- Q- Can you speak to the transparency to the student? How does the student get involved with this?
- A-We may reach out with you to come out with a plan. Sometimes it is just to get on someone's radar. You can specify want you want from us. The form does allow for the reporter to be anonymous.
- Q- Can you make a more visible way to access the form? Will the faculty member get follow-up information?
- A-We are looking at ways to make it better to find and use the form. Yes, you will get outreach from Joe Mulligan, Erin Hannah, or Scott Woodside.

2:50-3:10

7. Update on Budget (Chris Simons)

\$5.6 million Surplus

Housing is occupied by 100%, we have students in the Marriott. This is good for fiscal health.

Transfers down, Freshmen up slightly. First year our enrollment has dipped at all.

Governor's Office has frozen 12-16 million dollars that affects the Medical School (CMSRU) and Rowan CREATES.

Construction on 6 new buildings-Discovery Hall, Fossil Park, Rowan Medicine at RCSJ, Cooper Parking Garage, CHSS Building, Wilson Hall addition.

8. Second reading: Resolution to Recommend the adoption of Diversity & Inclusion Councils across all Disciplines and Departments at Rowan University (J.T. Mills, page 3).

This will help us grow a body of people and knowledge to bridge the colleges and departments throughout campus.

-Motioned, Approved.

9. Ratification of Senate Committees (separate file) Reminder to Committee Chairs: Please use video- or voice-conferencing capabilities if you have committee members who do not work on the Glassboro campus.

Motioned, Seconded, Approved (1 abstention)

3:10-3:15

10. New business

Mira Lalovic-Hand wants to buy procurement software. Please email Bill will any issues. Suggest that if this is impacting your research, please also email Beena Sukumaran with details.

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