Date: 10/8/21 via Zoom Webinar

Time: 2:00 pm
Minutes Submitted by: Leslie Johnson, Faculty Senate Secretary

Attending Senators, Alternates:

Attending Guests:

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<td>2:05</td>
<td>Meeting called to order by FS Parliamentarian, Dr. Sean Tikkun</td>
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<td>Welcoming Remarks by FS Chair, Dr. Ralph Barrett</td>
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<td>2:06</td>
<td>Motion to Adopt Agenda</td>
<td>Motion to approve the agenda was made by Dr. K. Hall, and seconded by Dr. C.E. Davis. Chair called signal of vote by Raise Hand feature in Zoom and motion was approved by simple majority.</td>
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<td>2:08</td>
<td>Motion to Approve Minutes</td>
<td>Motion to approve the minutes from the 9/10/21 FS meeting was made by Dr. C.E. Davis, and seconded by Dr. K. Hall. Chair called signal of vote by Raise Hand feature in Zoom and motion was approved by simple majority.</td>
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<td>2:10</td>
<td>Chancellor’s Report by Chancellor Johnson Akinleye</td>
<td>Congratulations on making it approximately halfway through this Fall semester. We continue to be vigilant about the COVID-19 pandemic. We have an ~95% vaccine rate for faculty. Students have been generally compliant with routine testing if they are not currently vaccinated. The Chancellor encouraged all to follow the proper COVID-19 protocols, including uploading your COVID-19 vaccination card, and continue weekly COVID-19 testing if you are not vaccinated.</td>
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The NC State budget is still not approved, but now has passed both chambers and has been sent to the Governor’s office. We still wait to hear word on this - hopefully by the end of the month.

Our University was put in a disadvantaged situation regarding student recruitment because of COVID-19. We hope to increase the recruitment of students for the upcoming academic year. We still are faced with an out-of-state student cap, but this does not necessarily apply to international students.

Homecoming is this weekend and a corresponding plan will be made to make sure people are safe and also enjoy the event!

2:33 **Faculty Senate Chair Report by Dr. Ralph Barrett**
FS Committees for this year have been established and conveners assigned – please go ahead and meet, particularly the Faculty Handbook Committee. The Executive Committee is also working on things related to NCCU system of tenure and understanding RTP guidelines, which several Senators have asked about.

2:35 **CASSH Community Projects Presentation organized by Ms. Rosa Anderson, facilitated by Frederick Ravin**
Durham Committee on the Affairs of Black People is a local 503c and NCCU and this organization have potential overlap and hope to align with the university more. We already have a working relationship and we ask that this strengthens. This group is here to help advocate for those in Durham who have not had a voice to advocate for themselves and works to address many systematic issues for Durham residents. Would like departmental involvement, i.e. students as interns, research projects, gaining course credits, to facilitate this and is thankful for the help of M. Page, R. Anderson, and C. Wilson who have all been tremendous help and liaisons thus far.

Currently have been working on various projects related to community engagement for social justice and racial equality, economic reform, business revitalization. Have received previous grant funding to aid with many aspects of the organization. Already working with many departments on campus and many students, but feel this can expand to many more to help the organization, NCCU, and Durham Community.

The Chancellor commented that he is thankful for the work this group has done, especially related to the partnership with both faculty and students. He feels a big issue facing our campus is crime in Durham. We have not had much traction working with Durham City Council. We can work to improve the safety of our campus, but we continue to have difficulties related to the streets surrounding our campus. The voice of this group as a community partner may add to help realize this goal of increased safety of our community.

2:50 **Accreditation Issue by Dr. Pedro Nino**
NCCU’s Quality Enhancement Plan is tied to SACSCOC accreditation. This plan’s goals are related to retention and academic achievement, practical competence, team based learning and collaboration, and intercultural competence. 99% of previous assessment plans have been submitted. The assessment reports for 2020-2021 need to be submitted as soon as possible. The group will also need curriculum maps as well. Please contact Dr. Nino if any questions.

2:56 **Discussion and Voting on Proposed Changes to NCCU Faculty Senate Constitution**
The proposed changes along with Rationale from the Governance Committee were discussed during the April 9, 2021 FS meeting. They have been posted to the FS BlackBoard page and sent to the body to review- please see the full Proposed Changes to the NCCU Faculty Senate Constitution document posted to the FS Bb page for additional details.

Quorum was established. Voting was completed through the Zoom Polls feature and results of each vote were shared with the body. Results were as follows:

**Question 9** – Addition to Section 4, subsection b: Parliamentarian: Approved (100% Yes, 0% No)

Discussion related to definition of “allotted time” in this section and the addition was updated to:

*The Parliamentarian will be responsible for maintaining timely voting. A maximum of four minutes will be allotted for voting. The Parliamentarian will announce when there is one-minute of voting remaining.*

**Question 10** – Addition to Section 2: Membership on Committees: Tabled

Discussion related to wording of this addition related to compulsory nature of serving on committees, as well as Senator’s ability to choose committee membership, and the role of the Alternate. Ultimately, this question was motioned to be Tabled by Dr. C.E. Davis and seconded by Dr. M. Pearce, to allow for better determination of the expectations of the Alternate. This vote passed by simple majority via the Raise Hand feature of Zoom.

**Question 11** - Addition to Section 2: Approval by the Senate: Approved (Yes: 100%, No: 0%)

**Question 12** – Addition to Section 3: Approval by the General Faculty: Approved (Yes: 100%, No: 0%)

### 3:45 Discussion Related to Nominating Committee

Per Senate Bylaws, we need to set a Nominating Committee (of 5 members) for the upcoming elections of the executive committee. The following nominations were accepted from the floor: Dr. S. Colbert-Lewis, Dr. K. Hall (unable to accept), Dr. C.E. Davis, Dr. K. Hawkins, Dr. T. Slenn, Dr. C. Becker, Dr. G. Hollowell.

Motion was made by Dr. C.E. Davis to extend the meeting by 15 minutes, and seconded by Dr. L. Kamarchik.

Vote was completed by Qualtrics survey with the following results: Members: Dr. S. Colbert-Lewis, Dr. C.E. Davis, Dr. K. Hawkins, Dr. T. Slenn, Dr. C. Becker; Alternate: Dr. G. Hollowell

### 4:15 Concluding Remarks

We have made it through 12 FS Constitutional changes and have several more. We will continue to work on this.

### 4:17 Motion to adjourn meeting

Made by Dr. C.E. Davis and seconded by Dr. T. Slenn. Signal of vote was called by the Chair and motion was approved by simple majority.

Meeting adjourned by Dr. Barrett