MEETING AGENDA

I. Call to order

II. Review and approval of minutes for FS meeting on Tuesday, March 19

III. Old Business:
   Update from FS Elections and Nominations Sub-Committee (Dr. Johnson, Dr. Khan, and Dr. Thomas, Chair) on nominations for new FS officers

IV. New Business:
   A. Nominations, brief statements, and elections of FS officers 2019-2020
   B. FS meeting with Mr. Gerald Hunter, Vice President for Finance and Administration/CFO
   C. Update on Faculty Senate luncheon on Tuesday, April 23, 12:30-1:30 p.m. (quote and menu attached to email)
   D. Discussion and input for FS president report to BOV meeting on May 3, 2019: Your input is needed by COB on Thursday, April 18.
   E. Requests for issues to address in the FS (If we run out of time during this meeting, we may have to table them until FS luncheon):
      1. From a FS member: “My department has requested that I ask the Faculty Senate the following, in the words of one of our faculty: ‘to look at the 2+2 advising model and its assessment. It seems clear to me, and others I have spoken to, that it is not working, and I’d like to see the assessment data, retention information, etc. that can determine if this is a good idea or not.’”
      2. From a faculty member: “I want to bring an inquiry before the Faculty Senate. Did faculty representative have any say in the policy about when (the timeframe) a proposal should be submitted to the Office of Sponsored Programs (OSPR) in order that it may be processed through the university channel for an external agency? (Currently it is five days before the due date). I am asking because I know some policies are arrived at through shared governance (administration and faculty). Could this matter be added at your next meeting. I table that the current policy is very onerous on teaching and administrative faculty who write grant proposals. Even the National Science Foundation has said that they realize that faculty at HBCUs write grant proposals in a research-unfriendly environment because of our
teaching loads. Today, a grant proposal written by myself (a co-PI) and three other PIs from CSEIT was not submitted to the agency because it is said we missed the university deadline of last Thursday (we delivered on Friday). I believe that was very onerous decision, especially since there were extenuating circumstances (illness) that delayed the submission. Only one person in the office made the decision not submit, there was not one around to appeal our case to (primarily because OSPR is understaffed). Can this matter be discussed to see what my fellow colleagues think about this situation for the future.

Thanks for listening to my concerns.”

3. Proposed Supplemental Pay Policy (or revisiting an old policy) (attached to email)
4. Refreshed Athletic Logo, Faculty Senate presentation? (Email from Stevalynn Adams)
F. Reports/updates from FS standing committee chairs: Constitution and Bylaws, Elections and Nominations, Faculty Evaluation Policies and Procedures, Faculty Handbook Revision, Faculty Status and Welfare, Faculty Grievance (max. two minutes per report/update)
G. Additional business (comments, concerns, or suggestions)

V. Adjournment

Upcoming Meetings:

Regular Faculty Senate Meetings 2019: This is the last regular meeting for the academic year. Good job, Senators!

Regular Faculty Senate Executive Committee Meetings 2019: This is the last regular meeting for the academic year. EC meetings during the summer TBD.

Notes: Please be advised that the primary purpose of a Faculty Senate meeting is to conduct the business of the Faculty Senate and its members of faculty representatives. Therefore, Faculty Senators will be given priority to discuss agenda items or other items brought to their attention from faculty. After all agenda items have been addressed and if time permits, comments may be taken from guests after being recognized by the meeting presider and when these comments are presented in an orderly and precise manner. Please limit your comment(s) to a maximum of two minutes per comment.