# **FACULTY SENATE AGENDA**

Thursday, June 8, 2017
3:00–5:00 PM
LaSells Stewart Center - Construction and Engineering Hall

Faculty Senate Reception with Pat Reser From meeting adjournment to 6:00 PM Myrtle Tree Alcove & Gallery – LaSells Stewart Center ~ Refreshments served ~

## A. ACTION ITEMS

# 1. Consideration of Degree Candidates

Rebecca Mathern, Registrar, will present the recommended lists of degree candidates for Senior Honors, Baccalaureate Degree Candidates, and Advanced Degrees. The Faculty Senate is asked to approve these candidates on behalf of the Faculty of the University. These candidates have been certified by the appropriate academic units, committees, and councils. Attached is the <a href="Registrar's Memorandum">Registrar's Memorandum</a> outlining the policies and procedures for the review and approval of degree candidates.

#### 2. Curricular Proposal

Prem Mathew, Curriculum Council co-chair, will present for approval the below curricular proposal:

- Rename Existing BS in Interior Design degree program to BS in Design and Innovation Management #100333 – Abbreviated Category I
  - o Online Proposal
  - o PDF Proposal
    - o Approved by Budgets & Fiscal Planning Committee & Curriculum Council

### 3. Proposed Standing Rules Revisions

Shelly Signs, Committee on Committees chair, will present for approval <u>proposed</u> <u>revisions</u> to the Academic Standing Committee Standing Rules.

### 4. Proposed Faculty Senate Bylaws Revisions

Mike Bailey, Bylaws and Nominations Committee Chair, will present proposed <u>Faculty Senate Bylaws revisions</u> for approval. These proposed revisions were presented for discussion during the May Faculty Senate meeting to allow time for Senators to discuss the revisions with their constituents.

NOTE: Because Bylaws revisions require a written, paper ballot, Senators participating remotely are encouraged to have a proxy present in the meeting room if they wish to have their vote count – no remote votes will be accepted.

#### 5. Graduate Council Proposed Policies

Theresa Filtz, Graduate Council Chair, will present for approval <u>proposed revisions</u> to two graduate policies:

- Change to Policy on Grade Required for Transfer Courses
- Change to policy on admission to a second PhD degree program

# **B. SPECIAL REPORTS**

- Report from and Dialog with the OSU Board of Trustees Chair
   Pat Reser will reflect on her time as the Inaugural Chair of the OSU Board of Trustees.
- 2. <u>OSU Board of Trustees Meeting Recap</u>
  Mike Bailey, OSU Board of Trustees Faculty Member, will recap recent meetings.

# C. INFORMATION ITEMS

#### 1. Committee/Council Annual Reports

Annual committee/council reports submitted by Faculty Senate chairs are due July 15 to allow committees/councils to fully report their activities through June 30.

### 2. 2017 Faculty Senate Meetings

Please reserve the following dates for Faculty Senate meetings for the remainder of 2017; check the monthly agenda to determine the location. All meetings are scheduled to begin at 3:00 PM: October 12, November 9, December 7 Note that December 7 is not the second Thursday.

#### 3. Vacancies

Please notify the Faculty Senate Office if a sabbatical, leave, or retirement will prevent completion of your term as either a Senator or Faculty Senate committee/council member. If you are away more than one term, exclusive of summer term, a replacement is required. This information will assist us in identifying a replacement.

### 4. Remote Participation in Faculty Senate Meetings

To participate in Faculty Senate meetings via WebEx, log in to <a href="https://oregonstate.webex.com">https://oregonstate.webex.com</a> beginning at 2:50 PM on the day of the Senate meeting, and then login with your ONID credentials to the Faculty Senate Chat Room. Senators and proxies must log in with their real names so that attendance can be accurately reflected; if you are a proxy, please indicate the Senator you are representing. If you are asked for a meeting number, insert 921 759 624. If you experience problems logging in during the meeting, please contact Vickie Nunnemaker at <a href="mailto:vickie.nunnemaker@oregonstate.edu">vickie.nunnemaker@oregonstate.edu</a>.

## 5. 2017 Proposed PERS Legislation

This item is intended for Faculty and Staff who either currently participate in or maintain membership in the PERS retirement program (Public Employee's Retirement System). If you participate in the Optional Retirement Plan (ORP) and do not have a PERS membership, you can disregard this email.

As you may be aware, the 2017 State of Oregon Legislative session has begun and several bills have been introduced that propose changes to the PERS retirement programs (Tier 1, Tier 2, and OPSRP). The Office of Human Resources has been receiving questions from employees as to what and/or how these bills may impact them and their retirement pension benefits. To assist you in monitoring the legislation and assessing what these bills may mean to you, Human Resources has prepared a website with various resources, links to bills, etc. You are encouraged to conduct your own research and monitor what is happening in the legislature to determine if and/or how these bills may impact you and/or your retirement pension benefits.

PERS 2017 Legislative Update website:

http://hr.oregonstate.edu/benefits/current-employees/pension-plans-Employee Benefits < Employee.Benefits@oregonstate.edu > retirement-savings/pers-2017updates Questions may be directed to Donna Chastain at either 541-737-2806 or Donna. Chastain@oregonstate.edu.

- D. REPORT FROM AND DIALOG WITH THE PROVOST & EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT Ed Feser
- E. REPORT FROM AND DIALOG WITH THE FACULTY SENATE PRESIDENT
  Bob Mason
- F. NEW BUSINESS

IN ORDER TO PROPERLY RECORD MINUTES OF THE SENATE MEETING,
ALL SENATORS ARE REMINDED TO IDENTIFY THEMSELVES
AND THEIR SENATE AFFILIATION WHEN RISING TO SPEAK.

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