

*Faculty Senate Evaluation and Assessment Committee
Minutes – May 25, 2018*

Present: Jim Bisgard, Marty Blackson, Greg Lyman, Brian McGladrey, Terry Wilson

Absent: Martin Kennedy, David Yi

Meeting was called to order at 1:10 p.m. Minutes of May 18, 2018 were approved to correct a typo on page 2.

Review/Discussion of Faculty Senate & EC Assessment Surveys

General themes of the Faculty Senate Assessment survey comments suggest faculty think Senate should keep working and keep trying, but things probably won't change much. There were a number of positive comments about communication from NTT senators. Other comments suggested the Senate shouldn't be so politicized; in other words, ABB/RCM is running things. There seemed to be a general consensus about the effects of ABB/RCM on academics, and this continues to be a divisive issue. Other comments addressed the passage of the new Gen Ed program as a noteworthy accomplishment.

A report of the numerical data will be made available in the Faculty Senate office. Jim will provide a brief written report for the Faculty Senate meeting on May 30, and will summarize comments but will not include specific comments.

One recurring theme was inconsistencies in the amount of information senators are able to share with their departments. Some senators provide thorough oral and/or written reports; others provide no reports or only give a brief overview or summary of things that affect only the particular department. Other departments do not have regular staff meetings, so senators don't have as many opportunities to communicate information in a timely manner. The following question will be added to next year's survey: "how would you like to get information from your department senator(s)?"

For the Executive Committee Assessment survey, a few comments noted concerns about EC supporting RCM. These concerns also came up in the comments on the Senate survey. The EC survey did not receive many responses, so forming a summary of the comments is not possible since no patterns can be identified. Jim will mention this in his report for the Senate meeting. Numerical data will be available in the Faculty Senate office.

Next year, more information will be gathered by soliciting feedback from people on the Senate committees, even if those people are not necessarily senators.

Meeting adjourned at 2:28 p.m.

Next meeting:

Oct. 5, 2018 – 1:00 p.m., Grupe Center