

## MINUTES

College of Education and Community Innovation (CECI)  
Faculty Governance Committee

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**Date/Time:** Friday, September 15, 2023 from 9am - 10:30am

**Location:** [ZOOM](#)

**Attendance (Committee):** Elizabeth Stolle (LEFT) - co-chair, Karyn Rouborn (ELC) - co-chair, Emily Nichols (SSW), Adrian Copeland (SCCJLS), Priscilla Kimboko (SCLD), Kathryn Ohle (T&L), Sherril Soman (ex-officio)

**Attendance (General):** Paola León (SSW), Joshua Bishop (SSW), Scott Berlin (SSW), Salvador Lopez-Arias (SSW), Patricia Bolea (SSW), Jamie Langlois (SSW), Scott Rood (SCLD)

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- **Personnel Policy Revisions - Discussion** ([Fall 2023 revisions](#) & [proposed CPC Language Winter 2021](#))
  - Feedback indicated dissatisfaction with revisions, as they do not address philosophical differences around inclusion
  - Faculty from SSW in attendance at meeting requested use of university standards as a college with units drafting more specific standards
  - Concerns raised around the definition of leadership under service
  - Concerns raised around perception of fewer service opportunities, specifically in light of reduction in university committee representation
- **Bylaws around Voting Procedures** ([proposed policy language](#))
  - Reviewed policies and procedures from both former colleges to construct current proposed policy language
  - Timeline for voting on these -
    - a. Constructed language as a committee 9/15
    - b. Shared by 9/22
    - c. Discussion 10/6 (**Fully Faculty meeting 9-10:30am in 136E DeVos**)
    - d. Vote electronically 10/9 - 2/3 threshold
- **FG Committee Name Change**
  - Proposal to change name of committee from the **Faculty Governance Committee** to the **Faculty Council**
  - Discussed rationale: Changing the name of the committee from the Faculty Governance Committee to the Faculty Council is a logical step for consistency and clarity across the university. The term "Faculty Council" better reflects the standardized nomenclature used for similar committees university-wide, avoiding potential confusion and aligning with the common understanding that governance encompasses a broader framework of activities and relationships, not solely the responsibilities of a single committee. That is, our Faculty Council will act as a body of representatives within our college governance structures.
  - Timeline for voting on this -

- Constructed language as a committee 9/15
- Shared by 9/22
- Discussion 10/6 (**Fully Faculty meeting 9-10:30am in 136E DeVos**)
- Vote electronically 10/9 - simple majority

- **Committee Representatives**

- Concerns around communication between faculty and university committee representatives - need to establish mechanisms to communicate both directions
- Ideas around a shareable google slideshow or other shared documents suggested for communication
- Establish a liaison system where FG Committee members act as liaison/champion of 2-3 university committees, keeping connected with representative(s)
- List of [University Committee Representatives](#)
- College committees - see need for a review of charges, bylaws, agenda/work ahead
- Set up meeting with college committee chairs and meeting with university committee reps

- **Miscellaneous & Announcements**

- Conversation around M.Ed. requirements
  - A number of education programs over the past few years have asked about EDF requirements within the M.Ed., as these were established prior to 2006 (per COE faculty handbook). The Dean's office, in collaboration with EDF faculty, suggested faculty governance take this up.
  - Thoughts shared around creating a task force with faculty from education programs to review requirements and curriculum in efforts to update and ensure we are meeting student/program needs.
  - Any curricular changes would need to go through CCC
- Next meetings
  - Full Faculty
    - **Friday, October 6 from 9-10:30am - 136E DeVos**
    - **Tuesday, November 14 from 12-1:30pm - 136E DeVos**
  - Faculty Governance Committee Meetings (open meetings):
    - 10/13, 11/10, 12/8, from 9:00-10:30am via [ZOOM](#)