

Representative Faculty Senate Meeting
January 26, 2022– 1:45 PM
Minutes

Attendance:

Sixty-four (64) representatives, faculty, administrators, and guests in attendance

Guests:

- [Arthur Johnson](#), Vice President and Director of Athletics
- Joe DuCette and Gina Calzaferrri, Assessment of Instruction Committee

1. Call to Order

President Williams-Witherspoon called to order and President welcomed everyone.

2. Guest: Arthur Johnson, Vice President and Director of Athletics

Arthur Johnson introduced himself and shared he is in his first few months in the role, and shared who he has been meeting with in his first weeks in the role.

Arthur Johnson provided some updates on the success of the Department:

- 20 consecutive semesters with a department GPA of 3.0 or better, and 14 consecutive semesters with a department GPA of 3.1 or better.
- Graduation rate is 20th in the country out of all the division 1 institutions.

Mr. Johnson encourages the Faculty Senate to demonstrate Temple Pride and encourages the Cherry on Friday initiatives [wear cherry and white on Fridays to encourage school pride].

Questions/Answers Summary:

Q: How can we support student athletes (considering COVID)?

A: Be there to listen to them and support them in navigating whatever concerns they have.

Q: A request to comment on the stadium proposal.

A: Right now, the priority for Mr. Johnson is learning about the stakeholder and the ecosystem here.

Q: What has been the impact of COVID on student athletes?

A: There was an increase in need for different support services, including mental health services, given the isolation and grief associated with COVID, the pervasiveness of racism, and the financial hardships, and the impact of these issues on overall wellness.

Q: What are broader goals and priorities for the next 90 days?

A: Restructuring leadership and reallocation of resources as well as review a facility master plan.

Q: What measures are in place to ensure students of color are succeeding academically?

A: Services are offered to everyone and offered inclusively.

Updates and Information:

For more details, [please see the recording](#) [starting 1:46-28:28]

3. Vice President’s Report: Lisa Ferretti

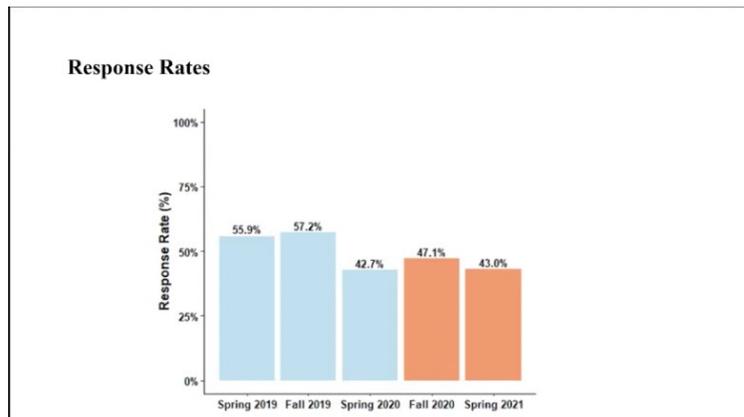
-March 18th is the deadline for elected committees. The terms will begin on July 1 2022. More information can be found on the Senate website.

-There is still a vacancy for the role of Faculty Herald, Editor. Interest can be submitted to senate2@temple.edu

4. Guests: Joe DuCette and Gina Calzaferri, Assessment of Instruction Committee

For more details, [please see the recording](#) [starting 35:00-1:14:00]

-Review of the new student feedback assessment process responses rates compared to the older forms. The response rates with the online forms are currently between 50 - 60%.



New vs Old SFF University Item Mean Comparisons

Semester	Spring 2019	Fall 2019	Spring 2020	Fall 2020	Spring 2021
Q1	4.39	4.38	4.45	4.48	4.52
Q2	4.41	4.41	4.48	4.47	4.49
Q3	4.31	4.29	4.39	4.33	4.38
Q4	4.29	4.26	4.34	4.28	4.33

-Review of the higher means on the new forms.

-The old form had 16 questions, the new forms have slightly more questions which can be attributed to the ability for adaptability of the forms that comes with the new form, i.e., questions added at the School/College-level items.

-Instructors can add questions from a bank of items and request/suggest addition of items.

Q: A concern about the question about how much time students spend on the course and whether students know how to estimate that.

A: Specific programs have requested to keep this question because the data is used for specific purpose.

Q: Value of UML system vs the focus on the mean?

A: It is unlikely that the UML system will continue, there are currently conversations about what data would be more useful.

Q: Question about lack of evidence supporting that student feedback accurately evaluate instructional quality, and the impact of sexist, racist bias influencing instructor ratings.

A: Student feedback forms are one form of information around student perception and there are flaws and benefits. They created a form about how not to misuse data, which will be distributed soon that acknowledges and addresses bias.

5. President's Report: Kimmika Williams-Witherspoon

- Will be sent out via email

6. Old Business

- None

7. New Business

- Nothing further.

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Ashley Stewart Faculty Senate Secretary