Representative Faculty Senate Meeting Wednesday, October 23, 2024 – 1:45 PM HYBRID MEETING

In-person: Lecture Hall Room 105 Tuttleman Learning Center, 1st Floor Zoom Link - Register in Advance for the meeting

MINUTES

Attendance: Approximately 45 faculty, representatives and administrators in attendance. (unable to determine actual virtual attendance due to technical issues with zoom.)

1. Call to Order

President Amini called the meeting to order at 1:49 p.m. Technical issues with the Zoom link were noted.

2. Guests: 1:50 PM

Mitch Morgan, Chair of the Board of Trustees and Bret Perkins, Board Trustee

The guests introduced themselves and stated that they were here to answer questions about the presidential search. Confidentiality necessitated a private search. The committee had fewer trustees than previously. Very different process from the last three presidential searches.

They also had more information from the university community in this search (hired an outside firm) than in previous searches. The search committee conducted extensive listening sessions with various stakeholders to understand their priorities for the next president. The trustees selected John Fry as the new president-elect.

Question about Temple Football. The board acknowledged the complex landscape of college athletics and is actively examining all factors to make an informed decision aligned with Temple's mission.

Discussion about the process of faculty participation in Board of Trustee committee meetings. Specific concerns about the current process of transitioning from executive to public meetings lasting five minutes or fewer and that faculty members are not adequately informed about the agendas and decisions made during these meetings.

Board of Trustees to continue efforts in diversifying the skill sets and backgrounds of board members and to create additional means for faculty engagement with the board.

A question about the RCM budget model ended with a request for the Faculty Senate to provide a white paper proposal for an alternative to the RCM budget model.

The discussion lasted past 3:15, so the meeting adjourned without approving the previous Full Senate minutes from September 23, 2024. The president's and vice president's reports were not given.

8. Adjournment was at 3:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin Kolodny

Faculty Senate Secretary

Next Meeting: Representative Faculty Senate Virtual Meeting Tuesday, November 19, 2024, 6:00 pm Guests: Josh Gladden, VP for Research, Joseph Paffrath, Maria Palazuelos Jorganes, Steve Nappi and Seema Freer