Lincoln University Faculty Meeting Minutes

September 3, 2024; 12:30 p.m. John Miller Dickey Hall Auditorium, Room 136

Patricia A. Joseph, Ph.D. Provost and Dean of the Faculty Presiding

The meeting was called to order by Provost and Dean of Faculty, Dr. Patricia Joseph, at 12:37 p.m. Dr. Joseph gave a brief overview of the agenda and called for adjustments. After approval of the agenda with amendments, she then turned the meeting over to chairperson of the faculty council, Dr. Sam Williams. The quorum requirement was satisfied.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- The agenda was amended so that (1) the LUC-AAUP could make an announcement; and (2) an action item regarding Title IX language update for syllabi was added.
- The agenda was approved with the modifications.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

• The April 30, 2024, faculty meeting minutes were approved.

ACTION ITEMS

- Dr. Williams opened the meeting by calling on the first presenter, Dr. William Donohue of the Nominations Committee, who explained the divisions associated with faculty standing committee selections. He then proceeded to open the floor for nominations for the following committees (openings noted): General Education (1 arts & humanities; closed with no new nominations); Judicial Review (2 tenured non-admin faculty, 1 being alternate; closed with 3 new nominations, 2 being for the alternate); Post-tenure Review (1 social science, 1 library; closed with no new nominations); and Parliamentarian (closed with no new nominations)
- Dr. Donohue alerted the faculty body to an issue concerning the composition of Faculty Council after last election; it had 3 non-tenured faculty elected which is not permitted. Motion made and seconded to suspend the rule for the 24-25 academic year. Discussion highlighted this bypasses the By-Laws Committee, could lead to dissolution of faculty council. New motion made and seconded (previous motion subsequently withdrawn) to check vote count and 2 highest non-tenured, then highest tenured, individuals remain of faculty council. Discussion revealed that this approach would not work due to number of openings versus number of individuals. Dr. Gayen resigned from faculty council, resulting in a natural science opening; Dr. Donohue opened the floor for nominations (closed with no new nominations).
- Dr. Gordon Stillman of the Curriculum Committee discussed the new language regarding DEI to be added to the master syllabus template. Motion to vote on the language to be added was made and seconded. Discussion centered the necessity of the DEI language, with President Brenda Allen explaining the language simply reflects already established institutional responsibilities. Dr. Stillman noted that the updated version of the master syllabus was on the website. The new language was confirmed by voice vote, with one nay.
- Dr. Stillman also noted on a handout available to the faculty body a QR code to a webpage with videos on preparing and completing the master syllabus. He also shared that faculty can send their master syllabi and questions to the Curriculum Committee email.

PRESIDENTS REMARKS

- Dr. Brenda Allen thanked everyone for NSO participation, highlighting the general education fair as well as the academic success coaches and Division of Student Success.
- Dr. Allen mentioned the challenges with course sections, seat availability, and scheduling. She noted a need to utilize available student data to aid in dealing with these challenges.
- Dr. Allen broadly discussed the CBA negotiations; emphasizing balancing what is good for both the faculty and the University, as well as the expectations for both faculty and the administration.
- Dr. Allen mentioned Convocation, Thursday, September 5; Board of Trustees meeting September 13-14; and the ribbon cutting ceremony for Vail Hall, Friday, September 13. Question arose on who will be in Vail Hall, and Dr. Allen noted herself as well as Finance & Administration.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Dr. Dafina Blacksher Diabate announced the availability of a Global Engagement survey and encouraged faculty
 to complete the survey regarding international experiences as it aid in improving the Lincoln experience for
 students.
- Dr. Sema Hande Ogutcu-Fu announced Constitution Day, Tuesday, September 17. She encouraged civic
 engagement for both students and faculty.
- Dr. Ray Saunders announced a request for proposals for the HBCU-Drexel Health Science & STEM Partnership Initiative. He also mentioned a Virtual Convening, Thursday, September 12 to provide opportunities for Lincoln faculty to engage Drexel faculty.
- Faulty members Ms. Denise Gaither-Hardy, Ms. Ava Hassinger, and Dr. Daryl Zizwe Poe spoke on behalf of the LUC-AAUP, noting work on CBA negotiations, and encouraging involvement of faculty in the Union.
- Dr. Mahpiua Deas highlighted an upcoming gallery exhibit at the library and a October 15 visit by the photographer. She also noted a special Convocation will be on Thursday, September 26, featuring
- Dr. Pamela Kennebrew and Ms. Crystal Faison announced Industry Exchange Week at SACE, highlighting the diversity within the financial and housing/real estate industries as well as opportunities to network. They noted that, in coordination, an event would be held on main campus, Thursday, September 19, in Wright Hall.
- Ms. Marion Bernard-Amos provided details on Convocation, Thursday, September 5. She also noted that Fulbright Scholar Dr. Kealeboga Maphunye would be guest speaker.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by Dr. Joseph at 1:33 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Dr. Ray Saunders, Faculty Secretary.





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