



University Senate  
Professional Studies Building, 203A rm. 3

**MINUTES OF MEETING**  
**December 4, 2017**

**ATTENDANCE:**

**Presiding:** Dr. Christopher Shamburg, University Senate Vice President

**DEPARTMENTS PRESENT:** Accounting, Jeanette Ramos-Alexander; Art, Ellen Quinn; Biology, Ethan Prosen; Chemistry, Bumjung Kim; Computer Science, Mort Aabdollah; Counseling Education, Yung-Wei Lin; Criminal Justice, Bill Calathes; Early Childhood Ed., Basanti Chakraborty; Dept. of Earth & Environmental Science, Deborah Freile; Educational Leadership, John Melendez; Finance, T. J. ...



**V. University Senate President's Report**

President Shamburg's Report:

1. Program Review Process

Proposed program review process and has been exchanged between Senate

Executive Committee (SEC) and Provost's office for almost one year. The Senate's Graduate Studies Committee (GS) and the Curriculum and Instruction (C&I) Committee provided suggestions to the SEC and the SEC forwarded suggestions to the Provost's Office. Ideally a proposal will be distributed prior to the next Senate meeting for departments to discuss at their Jan 29, 2018 meetings and then it will be

to the system, the information with the errors? Infosilem will be on next month's agenda with the Committee's Report.

2. Can the Senate president's report be in writing so it can be used to report out to departments? It is part of the Senate minutes and they can be used.

#### **VI. Election of University Senate Vice President**

In accordance with the Senate Constitution, which is very specific about the procedure, nominations for vice president take place at this meeting and the election will take place at the next meeting:

Nominations:

Joseph Moskowitz

Wanda Rutledge

Rubina Vohra

#### **VII. University Senate Standing Committee Report**

##### **1. Faculty & Professional Staff Affairs (FPSA) Committee (see attachment #1)-**

FPSA was charged by the Senate to review the proposal that was presented to the Senate last year. The Senate at that time raised questions including concerns about the eligibility of librarians and the privileges recipients would receive.

The committee 1) recommends the attached process/policy for awarding emeritus status to retired full professors; 2) recommends the creation of the Joseph Riotto Distinguished Service Award for exemplary service to faculty and/or professional

the emeritus proposal was corrected. Recipients of the emeritus designation would not be eligible for the service award nor vice versa. People in more positions are eligible for the distinguished service award than professor emeritus designation.

Motion: approved

Motion (made and seconded) to approve recommendation to create the Joseph Riotto Distinguished Service Award as described in the committee's report.

Motion (made and seconded) to amend the last sentence of the first paragraph to read: "The Riotto Award shall stand as a memorial to our friend and President as an expression of the Senate's deeply felt loss of Dr. Joseph Riotto.

~~Discussion: Original wording may better convey the Committee's intention~~

Motion to amend: approved.

Motion on amended main motion: approved.

President Shamburg noted he sent an e-mail to Dr. Halbert seeking clarification about item #3 of the committee's report.

**VIII. New Business**

No items presented.