## **Lincoln University Faculty Regular Meeting Minutes**

February 7, 2023; 12:30 p.m. 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 12:30 p.m. The quorum was satisfied and the meeting took place.

#### A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

a. Dr. Poe offered a modification to the agenda, moving up the President's presentation to take place before the Faculty Council report. This request was approved by a majority.

### **B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

a. January 10, 2023, faculty meeting minutes were approved.

#### C. PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

a. Dr. Brenda Allen informed the faculty that she began the tour of the departments which she announced during the faculty meeting of January. The goal of the tour is to engage stimulating conversations with the faculty so she can hear from them, know better their needs, and provide adequate resources.
Dr. Allen indicated that the first two departments she visited were Biology and Business and Entrepreneurial Studies. Further, she is recommending that the teaching load of faculty be reduced from four classes to three, 36% reduction of teaching load being the target, so that faculty can devote more time to scholarship. The president added that the reduction of the teaching load should consequently lead to the modification of the curriculum. She noted she hoped all departments would share this vision, including those currently undergoing program review.

Dr. Brenda Allen informed the faculty that she accepted several speaking engagements for Black History Month, one being with the Bank of America. Moreover, she planned to invite 200 kindergarten children to Lincoln University as one activity for Black History Month.

Dr. Brenda Allen made two announcements: 1) The university will is planning to identify someone to head SACE at the level of a Vice-president. 2) Lincoln University is set to take part in the CIAA Tournament to take place in Baltimore next week.

### **D.** Faculty Council

a. Zizwe Poe, Chairperson of the Faculty Council conducted the discussions. He announced that the March faculty meeting will be a full one.

#### E. ACTION ITEMS

- a. Dr. Anna Hull, Chair of the General Education Committee, informed the meeting that the committee approved three new courses to be added to the General Education Course list. This was done accordance with recommendations to reform the general education curriculum. The courses approved as Critical Reading Emphasis Humanities are: ART 100 (Fundamentals of 2D Design), ART 101 (Fundamentals of 3D) and ART 103 (Introduction of Media and Color).
- b. Dr. Pathak of the Faculty Council informed the assembly that the Faculty Council created four clusters, each comprising a number of Faculty Standing Committees. The four clusters are Campus Life, Faculty Resource, Department Specific, and Faculty Enrichment. The goal of the creation of theses clusters is to make the Faculty Council and the Standing Committees more effective. Members of the Faculty Council serve as liaison in the respective clusters. In addition, elections will be held to fill in positions for the Nominations Committee and for the Research Committee.
- c. Dr. James Gallagher, Chairperson of the By-laws Committee, informed the faculty that two town hall meetings to discuss the changes contained in nine motions his committee proposed in the by-laws took place. He added that the majority of the faculty voted in favor and all nine motions were passed. These results were shared with faculty via email at the conclusion of the voting period, January 27, 2023. He added that the members of the Board of Trustees were expected to approve these changes in the by-laws during their impending meeting set to take place on February 11, 2023.

## F. FACULTY STANDING COMMITTEE UPDATES / REPORTS

a. There was no report from the Faculty Standing Committee.

## G. GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. Gonul Turan of the Office of Institutional Effectiveness, Research, and Planning (OIERP) reminded the faculty that they have to fill out the Snyder Report in order to indicate the hours they put into their class preparation, their scholarly research, and in other areas, namely, advising and office hours.
- b. The Chair of the Faculty Development Grant informed the faculty that the deadline to submit an application for the school year is February 24, 2023.
- H. Dr. Poe recognized Dr. Patricia Joseph, Provost and Dean Faculty for assuming the responsibilities of Acting President when Dr. Brenda Allen, President of the university was out of office.

#### I. ADJOURNMENT

a. The meeting was adjourned by Dr. Patricia Joseph at 1: 15 p.m.

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