The regular meeting of the Faculty Senate Executive Committee was called to order at 2:33pm on Thursday, August 23, 2018 in the third floor conference room of Lovejoy Library (LB3021) by President Nastasia.

Present: Sorin Nastasia, Marcus Agustin, Jocelyn DeGroot-Brown, Laurie Rice, Wai Cheah, Dan Segrist
Absent: Shadrack Msengi, Ed Navarre
Guests: Provost Denise Cobb, Interim Assistant Provost Jessica Harris, Nancy Lutz (UPBC)

It was noted that the agenda had been posted in the physical locations but not online due to a miscommunication. Meeting reminders will be sent by University Governance going forward.

**Guest Speakers:**
Provost Denise Cobb and Interim Assistant Provost Jessica Harris were introduced as guests. Provost Cobb thanked the Faculty Senate, faculty members, and staff members for advocating for the University. She shared information and sought advice regarding a University Academic Master Plan. This would not be a duplication of the University Strategic Planning process being launched soon by the Chancellor, rather a packaging and vetting of academic plans that focuses on the tactics and strategies being used to accomplish things identified in New Realities and the University Strategic Plan. The Academic Master Plan would help bring visibility to completed goals and work being done.

The Provost will be sponsoring Dr. David Laude of the University of Texas at Austin as a speaker on October 5, 2018; she will also sponsor a speaker for the Continuous Improvement Conference. She gave a brief update on the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) teams’ progress; their work is due to be completed in spring.

Provost Cobb requested feedback on a pilot program being considered that would eliminate the need for students to get a signature to join a course during the first week of classes. The issue was discussed.

Interim Assistant Provost Harris reported on the proposal submitted by their office that was accepted for the Association of American Colleges and Universities (AACU) Summer Institute on High-Impact Practices and Student Success and their subsequent participation in the event. She shared information on a domestic travel opportunity program that is being worked on as well as how Academic Affairs was responding to the Diversity and Inclusion plan.

**Announcements:**
The members of the committee were introduced. Anne Hunter, the new University Governance Office Support Specialist, was also introduced.
Faculty Senate Executive Committee and Curriculum Council meetings have been moved from the International Room to the Magnolia Room due to changes at the Morris University Center.

The Chancellor will be a guest at the September 6, 2018 Faculty Senate meeting as well as the September 13, 2018 Faculty Senate Executive Committee meeting. Additional guests for October and November include Staff Senate President Gretchen Fricke (date to be determined), Student Body President Mackenzie Rogers (October 25, 2018 FSEC meeting), and Associate Chancellor Venessa Brown (tentatively scheduled for November 8, 2018 FSEC meeting).

Orientation for new senators will be made available. FOIA/Open Meetings Act certifications are required for all new senators within 90 days of initial membership and is available through the Attorney General's website at foia.ilattorneygeneral.net. Designees will need to complete the training as well. Hunter will coordinate those who need to complete the training and those who have completed it.

President-Elect DeGroot has been appointed as the Faculty Senate representative on the Dean of Pharmacy search committee. The request was initiated by Provost Cobb and information on the appointments requested for search committees was reviewed.

President Nastasia shared an overview of the hearings hosted by the Illinois General Assembly Higher Education Committee. Hearings were held on August 20, 2018 at SIUC and on August 21, 2018 at SIUE. Texts from the speakers will be sent to the listserv.

**Consideration of Minutes:**
The minutes for the July 18, 2018 special meeting will be considered at the next FSEC meeting on September 13, 2018. The minutes for the May 10, 2018 FSEC meeting were approved as written.

**Unfinished Business:**
The rules for the Open Meetings Act in regard to agendas was reviewed; agendas will also be posted on SharePoint and notice will be sent via email by the University Governance Office Support Specialist (OSS). OMA applies to Council meetings as well, however they will need to appoint their own recorder as it is not in the duties of the OSS.

Councils were asked to review their operating papers as well as the number of members they should have. Segrist asked how new senators were appointed, and President Nastasia answered that appointments are negotiated by the FSEC. Some existing senators have new appointments and have been notified via e-mail.

**New Business:**
The membership of Councils was updated on the Faculty Senate website on June 29, 2018. Guidelines on how appointments are made by the FSEC were reviewed. President Nastasia will contact the Council Chairs with vacancies and recommendations.
The All Faculty Meeting will be held on February 27, 2019 from 10am-2:30pm in the MUC conference center. The theme of the meeting will be business and community engagement.

Reports:
Lutz reported that the UPBC meets frequently during the summer and considered Innovation Grant proposals for the second round. The fall schedule is being worked on.

The Rules & Procedures Council is checking on archiving the evaluations of the Chancellor. Cheah reported that there is a vacancy for a College of Arts and Sciences (CAS) member on the faculty senate, to replace Dr. Mohammad Yousef. The election will be done by the school.

Past-President Agustin reported that he went to the Higher Education Committee in May to support the resolution by the legislature, and the result was the hearings in Carbondale and Edwardsville. A system-wide compliance team, the SIU System Planning Team for Equity and Compliance, was put together by SIU System President Randy Dunn and is chaired by SIU Vice President for Student and Academic Affairs Brad Colwell. Agustin was asked to serve on the committee in addition to two other members from SIUE, two members from SIUC, two members from the School of Medicine in Springfield.

The Faculty Development Council and Graduate Council Chairs were absent. Curriculum Council, Welfare Council, and President-Elect had no report. The President had no further report.

Public Comment:
There was no public comment.

Adjournment:
The meeting adjourned at 4:43pm.

Submitted by Anne Hunter, University Governance