



ACADEMIC SENATE

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

JANUARY 15, 2019  
FACULTY CONFERENCE ROOM

The meeting was called to order by Tom Nordenholz at 11:05 am.

**Present:** Tom Nordenholz (Chair), Alex Parker (Vice-Chair), Dinesh Pinisetty (Secretary), Khalid Bachkar, Keir Moorhead, Margot Hanson, Steve Browne, Cynthia Trevisan.

**Guests:** Sue Opp (Provost)

**Absent:** None

The minutes from the General senate meeting on November 13, 2018 and senate executive committee meeting on December 11, 2018 has been approved.

**Announcements**

- Academic Senate Executive Committee elections will be conducted in Spring 2019. Please reach out to all the faculty asking them to run for serving on it, if they are interested.
- The senate chair will be exploring survey monkey for conducting elections.
- It was agreed that next year, The new academic calendar put in place for this year should be reviewed. The senate executive committee should reach out to faculty and students to get their opinion on how the new calendar worked during the 2018-2019 academic year. It would be beneficial if a comprehensive assessment could be gathered.

**Provost Report**

The Provost reported that discussions have been initiated to set-up a 'Student Success Committee' that will basically look into the holistic approach to support students.

**Shared Governance Consultation**

The senate chair is working on the schedule for Gary's visit. The schedule will include meetings with senate executive committee, presidents cabinet, chairs and deans, students, and any interested senate committees.

There was some discussion about why some groups or individuals were given specific meetings with Gary. The Senate chair made it clear that while certain meetings were requested by Gary, the Senate Chair, and the Provost, others were granted based on a request by a particular group and that all groups were given this opportunity.

The document on the current practices of academic senate has been uploaded to the dropbox for Gary's review.