NTID Faculty Congress NFC Meeting Minutes September 29, 2020

12 - 1:30 pm via Zoom

Chair: Mark Rosica

Vice-Chair: Jessica Trussell

Communications Officer: Adriana Kulakowski

Attending: Jessica Trussell Mark Rosica, Adriana Kulakowski, Stephen Aldersley, Sandra Bradley, Catherine Clark, Bonnie Jacob, Luane Davis

Haggerty, Patti Durr, Marcus Holmes, Mark Jeremy, Edward Mineck

Notetaker: Adriana Kulakowski

	Agenda Item		Discussion / Status	Action Items
1.	NFC Member Update	•	Per NFC bylaws, lecturers are not allowed to serve on NFC. Only principal and senior lecturers can represent their departments. Therefore, Mark Jeremy from the Computing and Information Sciences department must be replaced and will discuss this with his chairperson.	MJ will discuss a replacement with his chair
2.	Review Previous Meeting Minutes	•	Vote on September 15, 2020 Minutes: Motion: NFC Member Second: NFC Member Approve: Unanimous	
3.	Current Business a. Diversity Antiracism Policy Feedback		 NFC sent Gerry a collective summary report of the feedback results from all the departments. This document was given to Gerry via email on September 18, 2020. (the type font looks different here?) NFC is looking forward to all feedback that was sent to Gerry when it is assembled. NFC is also looking forward to the opportunity to review the revised Diversity Anti Racism Policy before it is published to the NTID community. Mark will reach out to Gerry on this issue. 	Mark will reach out to Gerry about getting access to the report shortly before it is disseminated.
4.	New Business a. Topics NFC could be addressing this semester		 We discussed the possibility of creating a committee that will be involved in the budgetary oversight process, much like what the Academic Senate does for the RIT budget process. We would also be interested in seeing the status of the Communication Task Force. It was suggested to invite Peter Hauser or the Communication Committee to provide the current status of the Communication and Sign Language assessments. The Executive Committee will look into inviting this committee to our next NFC meeting on October 13th. 	

Several members expressed concern regarding the amount of work that has resulted due to Covid and how the new COVID policies and procedures have changed the way we are teaching our students. We will continue our discussion on this topic. Future of Faculty Task Force Committee: What is their current status? Has this committee been functioning or closed? If the committee is still running, we could invite a committee member from this task force to provide an update of the Future of Faculty's agenda for this school year. If it has been disbanded, what are NFC's next steps? A member mentioned the recent Support Services Workload ?Committee report that recently submitted their findings to the administration. We will contact Ann Hager's to share the results of this report at an upcoming NFC meeting. Topics in Academic Senate – Invite the four Academic Senate NTID representatives to a future NFC meeting to discuss the current topics on the Academic Senate agenda. A new Academic Senate Sub Committee is being formed, "Academic Senate for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion" – NFC is seeking self-nominations from faculty members to serve in this position. A survey has been sent out to all NTID voting faculty members that would like to self-nominate themselves. A voting process will be required if more than one person is seeking this position. Mark Rosica will be transitioning to retirement effective spring semester. A replacement for Chair must be made before the end of fall semester. Mark will also need a replacement in his role as "At Large NFC Representative and will contact those faculty for a candidate. NFC members should review the ByLaws when considering a nominee for this position. Mark will also contact the Academic Senate for guidance on this issue. Meeting was adjourned 1:05 pm

Jwt reviewed
SFA reviewed
Bonnie J reviewed
MJ reviewed Luane Haggerty reviewed
CC Reviewed
MH Reviewed
SB reviewed
MJR Reviewed/made comments
PD reviewed and made a few suggestions