



COUNCIL of UNIVERSITY SYSTEM FACULTY

Board of Regents Report

December 18, 2020

Since the last report in November, CUSF has focused on several action plan items. The work is detailed below.

1. Board of Regents Faculty Awards & Recognition Committee

The committee has made their selections. They are in the process of writing the candidates credentials for the Board.

2. Ed Policy Committee

The committee has two subcommittees Academic Integrity and Interdisciplinary Professional Education (IPE).

The **Academic Integrity subcommittee** has met with Dr. Bishop and Dr. Lee to review details and iron out format issues. We are striving to present to CUSF our draft proposal at the January 19th meeting for final approval. Assuming the draft is approved in January, the draft will be submitted to the AAAC, USMSC, President's Council and CUSS for feedback.

The **IPE subcommittee** is focusing their efforts on a coordinated examination of digital badging and certificates with the William E. Kirwan Center for Academic Innovation.

3. Faculty Concerns Committee

Subcommittees:

The **technological subcommittee** is in the process of setting up a meeting with all the institutions CIO's and the CIO of the Maryland Judiciary to collect information of how the schools and state are approaching the privacy and liability issues related to the recent Data Act. They are also seeking more information from campus legal teams on the way schools are treating the intellectual property rights of faculty created work product uploaded to online classes.

The **structural inequality subcommittee** has started organizing a panel discussion with the Vice Presidents' of Diversity and Inclusion from UMGC, TU, and UMD for our January 19th meeting. The topics will include a definition of structural racism and how faculty can identify institutional infrastructure and classroom curriculum concerns to improve equality. The committee intends this to be a beginning discussion. They are looking to plan a webinar panel discussion in March or April where they will be extending the discussion to include faculty, students and staff panelists.

The **Covid-19 ad hoc subcommittee** has prepared a survey that they are putting out to faculty through CUSF to try to determine what faculty feel to be the most important issues to be addressed related to COVID 19 currently. I attach the link here so that you might see the topics being discussed. [COVID ISSUE SURVEY](#) The survey is also being distributed to the other Councils to see if they too would like to use the document.

4. Rule and Membership Committee

We voted to remain on Zoom through the Spring and are considering making this an auxiliary way to meet in the future. We amended our bylaws to allow voting by electronic methods.

5. Legislative Affairs & Policy Committee

The legislative affairs committee has met with CUSS to set our date for Annapolis Day. It is February 17, 2021. Discussions on how to conduct the meeting on the virtual format are still ongoing.

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