

## **GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE**

## Meeting Minutes November 16, 2020

Present: Peter Nwosu, Joe Fera, Duane Tananbaum, Anne Rice, Susan Markens, Nadine Zerphey, Amanda Sisselman-Borgia, Marie Marianetti, Sumana Ali

- 1. October 19th Meeting minutes approved
- 2. Distance Learning Resolution Update

All of the schools' executive committees have approved this resolution. Next step is to ask FP & B to approve the resolution. Undergraduate and Graduate Curriculum Committees have a single statement endorsing the resolution. They will ask this sentence to be approved by the senate. This will be the first item on the agenda of the Graduate Curriculum Committee.

- 3. Discussion re: student needs for online/distant learning. Sumana has heard from several students that there are difficulties reaching faculty and with realistic expectations (i.e., 6 hour long exams online). Anne stated that the general faculty meeting will address this on Wednesday. Provost Nwosu stated that faculty who are successfully engaging students in online environments will conduct webinars to help other faculty and provide examples.
- 4. Discussion re: CR/NC option for the Fall 2020 term.
- 5. Discussion re: Virtual Election in Spring, 2021. Joe expressed concern over holding virtual senator at-large elections given that John Dono has retired. Joe will explore the possibility of having a faculty member help the Governance Committee hold the virtual elections.

