

Research and Graduate Studies Committee (Dr. Paramijit Kahai, Chair)

Chair was absent. Dr. Bender stated that she was new to the committee but had nothing to report.

Continuing Education and Outreach Committee (Dr. Yvette Essounga)

Dr. Essounga reported that the committee met on Friday, January 29th. All members were present, and the committee is moving forward with its plans. The committee will identify students to work on making video recordings emphasizing financial literacy to share with the principal of Tuskegee Institute Middle School. Later, more video recordings will be made for the TU community, (students, faculty, and staff) on a variety of wellness topics to include physical and mental health with experts (Drs. Glotova and Bender) in their respective fields. The committee also discussed the possibility of creating a podcast. Dr. Essounga reached out to Dr. Kimberly Scott to get permission for students to do the video recordings. Dr. Glotova added that Dr. April Jones is presenting a conference in April and Dr. Essounga has agreed to speak on "Poverty in Minority Communities." Dr. Bender echoed the Chair's report.

Grievance Committee (Mrs. Eunice Samuel, Chair)

The Grievance Committee met on January 6th. Six of the seven members were present. With valuable recommendations by members, a letter of response was drafted and sent to Dr. Ndi on January 12th and is now being reviewed by the university's attorney. Once the go ahead has been received, Dr. Ndi will forward the letter to the grievant and other appropriate parties. Dr. Ndi stressed that the attorney will not be changing the wording in the letter but only making sure that the Senate or the University is not implicated in any way.

Instruction Committee (Dr. John Tilghman)

Dr. Tilghman reported that for the 2nd month, he has requested the results of the faculty survey that ended on December 15th but has not received them. He will reach out again to Dr. Kellie Samuels and copy Dr. Ndi to get the results, so that the committee can resume meeting to review and discuss teaching techniques for 2021.

Other Business

Update on the Teaching Award for Excellence in Online Teaching in honor of Jacqueline McArthur

Dr. Ndi did not recall receiving the recommendation from the committee but was reminded that

To date, Attorney Johnson has not contacted him, which indicates to him that we can proceed with the award. Dr. Ndi requested another copy of the sub-committee report and will forward it to Attorney Johnson for confirmation.

Meeting with the mother of the late Jamarion Robinson

Dr. Ndi explained that due to personal reasons, he did not reach out in time enough to set up the meeting for this month, therefore, it has been scheduled for the March 1st, meeting.

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Attendees-Faculty Senate Meeting February 1, 2021

1. Bender, Jennifer
2. Bhuyan, Jay
3. Essounga, Yvette
4. Fishkin, Benjamin
5. Glotova, Olga
6. Graham, Jo Ann
7. Irizarry, Ricardo
8. Jafarinejad, Shahryar
9. Martin, Pamela
10. Murphy, Gregory
11. Nayak, Chitra
12. Ndi, Bill
13. Ndoye, Mandoye
14. Quarcoo, Franklin
15. Samuel, Eunice
16. Tilghman, John

Chair: Dr Bill F. Ndi
Vice Chair: Dr. Jay Bhuyan
Executive Secretary: Eunice A. Samuel