SAC Report, November 6, 2019

• Since the last Senate meeting, SAC has met six times, with one meeting including the Provost and one including the Senior Leadership Team.
• Topics included Faculty Handbook revisions, and follow-up on Senate resolutions, including those on benefits.
Administrator Evaluation Oversight Committee (AEOC)

Emanuela Barberis (COS)  
Margarita DiVall (DMSB)  
Sinan Muftu (COE)  
Magy Seif El-Nasr (CAMD & Khoury)  
Balazs Szelenyi (CPS)

Deniz Erdogmus and Thomas Wahl, SAC liaisons
Administrator Evaluation Oversight Committee Charges

- Oversees and receives for review evaluations of the Provost, academic deans and unit chairpersons.
  - In 3rd year of 1st appointments
  - In penultimate year of continuing appointments
- Appoints the faculty members who serve on the administrator evaluation teams
- Develops and provides evaluation guidelines, materials, and regulations for the teams
- Sets evaluation schedules, with completion in fall term
- Reviews the outcomes, assembles reports and arranges appropriate distribution
- May also make recommendations to SAC, to the Provost, or to appropriate Vice Presidents on changes in procedures and/or evaluation instruments as deemed necessary
Administrators To Be Evaluated & Their AEOC Subcommittees

Raj Echambadi, DMSB Dean
  James Monaghan (COS)
  John Portz (CSSH)
  Carey Rappaport (COE)

Elizabeth Hudson, CAMD Dean
  Ray Booth (COS/BCHS)
  Jane Saczynski (BCHS)
  Balazs Szelenyi (CPS)

Mary Loeffelholz, CPS Dean
  George Adams (COE)
  Arun Bansil (COS)
  Heather Brenhouse (COS)

Daniel Godfrey, Music Chair
  Alexa Carlson (BCHS)
  Tim Gagnon (DMSB)
Administrators To Be Evaluated & Their AEOC Subcommittees

Jerome Hajjar, Civil & Environmental Engineering Chair
  Adrian Feiguin (COS)
  Hilary Poriss (CAMD)

Jonathan Kaufman, Journalism Director
  Gabor Lippner (COS)
  Emily Mann (CSSH)

Lee Makowski, Bioengineering Chair
  Aaron Block (CSSH)
  Seth Cooper (Khoury)

Jack Reynolds, Pharmacy Dean
  Jane Amidon (CAMD)
  Robert McOwen (COS)

Mark Williams, Physics Chair
  Anand Asthagiri (COE/Bioengineering)
  Andrew Myers (COE/Electrical & Computer)
Information Technology Policy Committee (ITPC)

Nick Beauchamp, Committee Chair (CSSH)
Cole Camplese (CIO) or Delegate
  David Smith (Khoury)
  Devesh Tiwari (COE)
  Paul Whitford (CoS)
  John Wihbey (CAMD)

Deniz Erdogmus, SAC liaison
The ITPC shall review how university leadership can further improve involvement of future users during early planning, pilot testing, and product selection for major software products and IT services affecting teaching, research, and award management, including recommendation of a system where such suggestions are collected and shared with ITPC, IT staff, and university leadership.

The ITPC shall review the outcomes of the CrashPlan backup service pilot program, including tradeoffs between cost and functionality. The process of evaluation and decision-making should involve input from a representative group of potential end-users from all colleges.
Research Policy Oversight Committee (RPOC)

Lisa Duffy (BCHS)
Steve Lustig (COE)
David Luzzi (SVP, Research) or Delegate
Arnold Mages (CAMD)
Alexandros Makriyannis (COS)
Darien Wood, Committee Chair (COS)
Daniel Noemi Voionmaa (CSSH)
Gary Young (BSHS/DMSB)

Deniz Erdogmus, SAC liaison
Research Policy Oversight Committee Charges

The RPOC shall review NU-RES and Accounts Payable pre-award and post-award processes to identify how they can be made more efficient and more visible to faculty to better serve faculty and their funders. In particular, the following areas should be examined:

- Expedited contract approval
- Expedited Non-Disclosure Agreements (NDAs)
- Expedited issuing of purchase orders and possible ways to decrease the number of purchase orders needed
- Future phases of ePAWs that incorporate the ability to track expenditures on existing research accounts
- Systems to make invoicing on grants more timely and transparent
- Streamlined and effective communication between NU-RES and faculty investigators and between Accounts Payable and administrative staff
Full-Time Non-Tenure-Track Faculty Committee (FTNTTFC)

Laura Adrien (COE)
Jonathan Benda (CSSH)
Tamara Bonaci (Khoury - Seattle)
Michelle Carr (CAMD)
Edmund (Ted) Clark (DMSB)
Kathleen Durant, Committee Co-Chair (Khoury)
Vaso Lykourinou (COS)
Jessica Maxwell (BCHS)
Pam Wojnar, Committee Co-Chair (CPS)

Michael Gonyeau, SAC liaison
Full-Time Non-Tenure-Track Faculty Committee Charges

The FTNTTFC shall follow up on professional development support, including one-term paid leaves.

The FTNTTFC shall recommend best practices for FTNTT promotion processes at the departmental and college level.

In collaboration with FAC, the FTNTTFC shall follow up on more granular match-mate data.
Faculty Development Committee (FDC)

Natalie Bormann (CSSH)
Nate Derbinsky (Khoury)
Bala Maheswaran, Committee Chair (COE)
Therese O’Neil-Pirozzi (BCHS)
Wendy Smith (COS)

Michael Gonyeau, SAC liaison
Faculty Development Committee
Charges

The FDC shall evaluate and, if necessary, revise and/or recalibrate the TRACE instrument, including consideration of customized TRACE surveys for online courses, labs, DOCs, etc.

The FDC shall make recommendations on optimal administration of TRACE and of NUPath survey questions. The Office of the Chancellor should be consulted about NUPath survey logistics.
Academic Policy Committee (APC)

Jack Dennerlein (BCHS)
Deb Franko (SVP, Academic Affairs)
David Herlihy (CAMD)
Robert McOwen, Committee Chair (COS)
Enrique Moreno (COS)
Harvey Shapiro (CPS)

Lorna Hayward, SAC liaison
Academic Policy Committee Charges

The APC shall review options for multiple ways of evaluating teaching and make recommendations on best practices.

The APC shall re-evaluate and, if necessary, revise and/or recalibrate the purposes for which TRACE and other teaching evaluations are used.

In collaboration with the Provost’s Office, the APC shall provide a review of the effectiveness of workload policy implementation (e.g., whether all units filed a policy, whether all units executed the policy as filed, whether the policies impacted the associated merit reviews).
Library and Information Collaboration Committee (LICC)

Dan Cohen (Dean, Library) or Delegate
Ted Miller (CPS)
Daniel O’Brien (CSSH)
Sean O’Connell (CPS)
Lynn Reede (BCHS)

Joseph McNabb, SAC liaison
Library and Information Collaboration Committee Charges

The Committee shall be concerned with policy issues involving strategic planning and infrastructure/resource adequacy to ensure broad, deep, and maximally available sources of scholarly information for the entire Northeastern community, and to guide services around the creation of new knowledge by that community. The Committee shall assess information resources within and beyond the library system and shall review and recommend services that aid in the full lifecycle of student and faculty learning, research, and publication. The committee shall also consider and recommend new platforms and mechanisms that forge new collaborations and discoveries, especially across the colleges, schools, and campuses of the university.
SAC Appointees to University Committees

Global Experience Faculty Advisory Board:
Yakov Bart

At-Large Member of the University Undergraduate Curriculum Committee:
Kirsten Fertuck, COS

University Classroom Advisory Committee:
Stephen Golden, DMSB
Sarah Young-Hong, BCHS
Theatre Chair Search Committee

Ben Hescott (Khoury)
Jesse Hinson (CAMD-Theatre)
Neal Lerner (CSSH)
Lucy Maulsby (CAMD-Architecture)
Frances McSherry (CAMD-Theatre)
Dani Snyder-Young, Committee Chair (CAMD-Theatre)
Psychology Chair Search Committee

Dawn Cisewski (COS-Psychology)
Randy Colvin (COS-Psychology)
Phil He (CSSH and Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs)
Neal Pearlmutter (COS-Psychology)
Wendy Smith (COS-Biology)
Mathematics Chair Search Committee

Christopher King (COS - Math)
Renée Miller (Khoury)
Hany Sadaka (COS - Math)
Dagmar Sternad (COS - Biology and COE)
Gordana Todorov (COS - Math)
Political Science Chair Search Committee

Mai’a Cross (CSSH - Political Science)
Denise Garcia (CSSH - Political Science)
William Mayer (CSSH - Political Science)
Taskin Padir (COE - Electrical and Computer Engineering)
Greg Zimmerman (CSSH - Criminology and Criminal Justice)