

Faculty Senate

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Nicole Dick—Senator
Chris Turpin—Senator
Perla Salazar—Senator
Elizabeth Tharman—Alternate

FACULTY SENATE MINUTES
January 19, 2018
JOYC 1404 11:30am

A. Call to order: 11:30 AM

B. **Present**: Will Friesen, Liz Tharman, Perla Salazar, Phil Hoke, Rodney Dozier, Susan Ortega, Sheena Hernandez, Phil Terpstra, Chris Turpin, Jacque Messinger, Liz Wampler

C. **Absent**: Nicole Dick

D. **Approval of minutes**: Approved, as amended.

E. Report from College Council:

- a. December 6: update on campus safety and progress on Assurance Argument. Messinger stressed the importance of seeing this as an opportunity to improve processes instead of a denigration of what we are as an institution. Faculty is also reminded to beware copyright law and to give any big copying jobs to print shop assist in checking for these things.
- b. January 3: Dr. Swender wants focus on increasing online presence and financial awareness. Also, he mentioned scaling back section offerings and increasing seat in class, though he did recognize that not every offering works the same way.
- c. January 17: Department Plans are due Feb 1. The budget committee will convene next week. There will be training about sick leave (extended leave) and FMLA Feb 2 (date subject to change). Remember to lock doors and turn off lights.

F. Report from Board of Trustees:

- a. December 12: Neufeld was recognized for his service (10 years). The college is sitting in a financially good place. Nothing untoward was found on the auditing report from June 2017, and the college might possibly be debt free in 10 years. Finances show growth. Hernandez mentioned how faculty is working to assist with assurance argument and accreditation and also mentioned a focus on faculty wellness, and Swender seemed very positive about this (possible wellness initiative?). MLK Day is January 15, a speaker was brought in (faculty needs to be aware for class scheduling). There was discussion during Faculty Senate meeting about timing of MLK Day presentation should all classes be cancelled or should the presentation be moved to the afternoon?
- b. January 9: New board members were initiated (M. Douglas, B. Wasinger, and L. Hitz) and new employees were introduced. No comments from the public. MLK Day presentation was January 15 @ 10:30 and guest speaker was Chief Master Sgt. Williams. "The Sound of Busternation" Band has moved to the new building across from stadium. ROTC is also on campus. There was a question about posting FS minutes, but that has

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been handled. Thanks to Will Friesen for getting those to the proper people. Discussion about funding/spending—per KBOR, we have been approved for 100% funding of new monies based on our performance agreements/reporting.

G. Old Business

1. Building lunches have been set for Spring 2018. A faculty senate member needs to attend each (if it is your building, you automatically go). Hernandez or VP can attend those buildings without a local representative. Schedule is as follows:

Jan 12 —PENKA

Feb 2—JCVT (Phil Hoke will be FS representative present)

February 9—ACAD (Perla will be FS representative present)

February 23—Fine Arts

March 2—FOUS

2. Hoke/Learning Communities update

(February 16 @1:30/Sam Sanger, Sheena Hernandez and Jeanie Ferguson and Kinesthetic

Learning; Location: TBD)

(March/Jeanie Ferguson and Quiz Bowl)

(April/Perla Salazar and Robots; Location: JOYC Lobby)

H. New Business

- 1. PD Request—Susan Ortega shared about her request for professional development funding for an accounting conference in Denver.
- 2. Building Safety Plans and Faculty Safety—Rodney Dozier
- 3. In Fall 2017, FS approved \$5,481.37 in faculty development funds. Continue to encourage requests. We have \$3800 more dollars for professional development this 2017-2018 year (per Ruda). This does not include our luncheon budget.
- 4. Faculty Survey (created by Messinger) to create a hierarchy for (on-campus) professional development. Survey ends February 2. Encourage as many faculty to participate as possible so that we get the trainings WE want. Melanie Ward will come on February 23 (PM) since she was not able to make it to in-service.
- 5. Faculty Senate Luncheon in April. More discussion at the next meeting.
- 6. Faculty Senate nominations for 2018-19 must be in by March 2, 2018, sent to Will Friesen, FS secretary. Email will be sent to faculty requesting nominations in the weeks prior to nomination deadline. Faculty under consideration should be consulted prior to nomination. Votes may be submitted via Survey Monkey by March 9, 2018.
- 7. Rodney Dozier gave an update on campus security. The radio system is monitored 8:00-4:00 unless other events/emergencies take place necessitating additional hours. 30 radios are currently in use, though more will added to the program in the coming months. 75% success rate for individuals answering radios, which is outstanding. More alternates are needed; an informational sheet and training are available for all building emergency leaders. An app called Group Me can be implemented to quickly notify everyone on their phones (emergency notification tree). Rodney encouraged faculty, staff, and students to remain aware and vigilant about potential causes for concern and to report potential threats. ALICE

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will be offered again on a Friday in the coming months. A transition is occurring for means to notify entire campus about issues. Allen wrenches may be necessary to lock exterior doors – if one is needed for a building, contact Rodney. Trish Miller offered a CPR course for employees; AED and first aid trainings will be offered in the future. Campus Police are willing to meet with individual buildings to discuss building and classroom security.

G. Executive Session:

H. Next meeting: 2/9/2018 at 11:45 AM

I. Adjourned: 1:04 pm