

Faculty Senate

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Minutes

8/26/16 JOYC 1404

Faculty Webpage: https://www.gcccks.edu/employeeconn/facultysenate/

Call to Order: 2:43 p.m.

Present: Larry Pander, Phil Hoke, Guillermina Hinde, Samantha Sanger, Elizabeth Wampler, Sheena Hernandez, Chris Turpin, Nicole Dick

Absent: Administration Rep. Phil Terpstra

Approval of Minutes: Minutes from 8/16 read and approved.

Report from President:

- I. **Health Ins. Update:** Larry reported on status of health insurance benefit changes. The additions to the health insurance benefits are not finalized yet, but GCCC employees did vote in favor of the updates to the insurance policy. The new benefits will be automatically added our current policies, but employees will be able to make changes/additions at the September open enrollment period. Dallas will send an email about enrollment.
- II. **Employee Assistance Program:** Larry reminded faculty to make use of another added benefit: the Employee Assistance Program. EAP provides a number of resources to GCCC employees including information on topics including mental health and legal documents (such as wills).
- III. Ice Cream Social: The ice cream social providing an opportunity for faculty to meet with Dr. Swender will be Sept. 26th at 3 p.m. Larry will confirm with Debbie and Dr. Swender. Samantha will contact Marie with Food Services and send out the email invitation to faculty.
- IV. **HLC:** Larry acknowledged a number of positive changes happening in regards to the accreditation process and expressed hope that these improvements continue after GCCC is re-accredited.
- V. **Thanks:** Faculty Senate extended thanks to Dean of Academics Phil Terpstra for his responsiveness to faculty concerns.

Old Business:

- I. Phil Hoke: Learning Communities have been approved by Dr. Swender. The first event is Friday, September 2 at 2 p.m. Phil will be teaching the waltz in the JOYC auditorium. All GCCC employees are invited to attend (and significant others are welcome). Some events might be a presentation suitable for a lunch meeting time. Others can be hands-on. Events are not required to be academic in nature. Hobbies, skills, crafts, etc. are welcome. Any GCCC employee is welcome to send event ideas to Phil. Faculty Senate will establish a process for reviewing event ideas.
- II. Academic Review Committee: The committee was restructured to streamline the review process. Larry asked that notification be sent to committee members effected by any changes to committee membership or processes. He also recommended that faculty continue to be represented on the Academic Review Committee.
- III. **VHS to CD:** Larry reminded faculty that VHS resources need to be replaced as the technology is outdated and will no longer be supported. As long as the material is available for purchase in DVD format, it is not legal to copy the VHS to a DVD. The new media must be purchased.
- IV. **Carolyn's Garden Dedication:** Marsha Wright has made a program for Carolyn's reception which will be held after Labor Day. The date and time will be announced via bustermail.

New Business:

- I. Board of Trustees Report: no board meeting
- II. GC3 Educators: Larry reminded faculty that GC3 Educators will hold an informational meeting on Wednesday, August 31 at 3 p.m. in ACAD Lecture Hall. All should try to attend. The meeting will include updates on negotiations and information on KNEA and KANAAE. GC3 Educators' lawyer LaRae Munk will be present. Larry also reminded faculty that dues are \$75 and should be paid to GC3 Treasurer Renee Harbin. Checks may be made to GC3 Educators.
- III. **Web Page Update:** Samantha is working with Chris Mangan to update the Faculty Senate webpage.
- IV. Advising Center Discussion: Larry extended sincere thanks to Ryan Ruda, Tammy Tabor, and Jarred Webb for the advising meeting held with technical faculty. Plans to improve recruiting and advising include providing a number of new scholarships to technical students. Faculty should anticipate visits from advising and should make notes of questions, suggestions, solutions, etc. Larry also reminded faculty that everyone recruits and is a recruiter for GCCC. One method of recruiting is making sure our webpages are updated and accurate. Please check your department/program webpage. Changes should be sent to Chris Mangan through the Helpdesk. Select the webpage option. Attachments can be included.
- V. **CPR/AED Training:** Every building on campus should be equipped with an automatic defibrillator. Plans are being made to provide CPR and AED training for a few people in each building. Participants will be certified by the American Heart Association. If you think your building needs an AED, contact TJ Horton and CC Dee Wigner.

- VI. **ALICE Trainings:** Online ALICE training is available for GCCC employees. Anyone wanting to complete the training should contact Rodney Dozier. Live scenario trainings are being planned for later in the semester.
- VII. **Campus Events Calendar:** Larry will check on the dates and times of campus events that may affect classes (such as September 11, Veteran's Day, Martin Luther King Day, etc.) as well as the attendance requirements for such events. He will convey the message that faculty needs these dates and times established prior to the semester beginning in order to effectively plan their courses. Elizabeth will contact Kristi Temple and Chris Mangan about a shared campus events calendar through Outlook.
- VIII. **Building Maintenance:** Larry reminded faculty to submit maintenance needs through Helpdesk. If the issue is not addressed in a reasonable timeframe, email the details to Larry.

Executive Session: none called

Next meeting: Friday, September 9 at 11:30 a.m. JOYC 1404.

Adjourned: 3:37 p.m.