

## **Faculty Senate**

**801 Campus Drive** 

Sheena Hernandez—President
Phil Hoke—Vice President
Will Friesen—Secretary
Elizabeth Wampler—Senator
Nicole Dick—Senator
Chris Turpin—Senator
Perla Salazar—Senator
Elizabeth Tharman—Alternate

## FACULTY SENATE MINUTES September 29, 2017 JOYC 1404 3:00pm

- A. Call to order: 2:59 PM
- B. **Present**: Perla Salazar, Nicole Dick, Elizabeth Wampler, Nick Salazar, Liz Tharman, Chris Turpin, Phil Terpstra, Jackie Messinger, Dee Wigner, Ryan Ruda, Will Friesen, Sheena Hernandez, Phil Hoke, Ryan Ruda
- C. **Absent**: None
- D. Approval of minutes: Approved, as amended
- E. **Report from College Council**: College Council meeting was Wednesday, September 20 @ 1:30pm. Pander went in place of Hernandez. Next meeting is October 4.
  - a. Most goals for the strategic plan have been addressed; a report will be made at a later time.
  - b. Enrollment is the same as last year, but still up 3.8% from 3 years ago.
  - c. We are working on Spring 18/Summer 18 schedules, gen ed program outcomes, and catalog—this is priority. Some things are stalled because of other things.
  - d. The employee picture directory was brought up, but it may be hard to keep up with—how can we work around that?
  - e. Remember to promote Exploration Day (Nov 2), right after Discovery Day (Oct 26).
  - f. Remember to promote Red Flag Campaign (Domestic violence) October 10-11.
  - g. Phonathon is October 2-13. More scholarships available for tech. Endowment Auction will be April 13, 2018.
- F. Report from Board of Trustees: None since last meeting. Next meeting is October 10.

## G. Old Business

- a. Dr. Swender agreed to host Ice Cream/Hot Chocolate socials. When do we want to schedule these? Do we want to one per semester or more? Hernandez will bring this up with Swender. We should move socials out of the cafeteria and into the Endowment Room so that those who are present can hear better.
- b. Hoke/Learning Communities update—all booked for 2017-2018 year (September/Will Friesen and Magical Chemistry)
   (October/Brian McCallum and Assessment on October 20 at 1:30pm)
   (November/Amy Poteet and Quicklinks)
   (February/Sam Sanger and Sheena Hernandez )
   (March/Jeanie Ferguson and Quiz Bowl)
   (April/Perla Salazar and Robots)

## H. New Business

a. Professional Development Request/Will Friesen et. al.

<sup>&</sup>quot;The purpose of the Garden City Community College Faculty Senate is to promote professional development among faculty and to act as a liaison with Administration and the Board of Trustees to advocate for the interests of the teaching faculty."

- Will Friesen, Liz Tharman, and Asher Brandt were approved for professional development funds to attend KATS (science education) camp in Junction City in April for \$1190.
- b. Ideas for things FS can do that are measurable and specific goals?
  - i. Update and revise FS guidelines for a cleaner, more streamlined, updated version
  - ii. Create a Canvas shell for ease in editing the document as a group effort
- c. Revising the FS bylaws (slightly, with rewording, formatting, or small additions)
  - i. Serving terms
  - ii. Revise job descriptions for officers and members
  - iii. Update FS duties
- d. Phil Hoke updated us on the new HLC evaluation system. This will entail three-minute snapshots of the course done over 10-20 times per year over several different classes. Phil stressed that it's not something to be afraid of. It is good for HLC data collection and a good opportunity to improve processes and collaboration. Division Leaders will be the ones who do the observing, but initially it will begin with adjuncts and outreach and later entail full-time faculty.
- e. Chris Turpin asked for clarification on divisions and what disciplines fall into what division. Phil Terpstra stated that terminology for divisions will be clarified next week. Jackie Messinger will be working on this.
- f. By phone, Larry Pander updated Faculty Senate on a number of issues.
  - Sick bank- this discussion is not over and will cover staff and faculty. More discussion with administration is necessary. This may be taken up by GC3 Negotiators.
  - ii. Curriculum committee is now called Curriculum and Instruction Committee and carries more responsibilities than previously.
  - iii. Faculty Senate is to work side-by-side with Curriculum and Instruction Committee with a rep from Curriculum and Instruction Committee meeting with Faculty Senate and one from Faculty Senate with Curriculum and Instruction Committee. It is important that changes on campus are faculty driven; more faculty involvement will be necessary.
  - iv. Memorandum Of Understanding GC3 (negotiations) has started the process of discussing the MOU.
    - 1. Phil Hoke clarified that everything must be data driven with measureable data. We will begin gathering information about what's happening in other programs, state and national agencies, including information on what spaces are like in other classrooms for student capacity and still be within guidelines for fire safety, etc. This is going through division leaders. All of this needs to be driven by--but not take advantage of--student success. Some of the demands on certain classes can be addressed by better advising to alleviate some of the demands on classes (i.e. not everyone needs English I in Semester 1). We also need diversity in classes, especially humanities classes, that rely on discussion and interaction between male, female, Latino, black, white, etc.
    - 2. Jackie stressed the important of evidence-based philosophy rather than data-based. She discussed program reviews and how that will lead

people through the specific tasks of the process. We will have an orientation session for people who are going to be in a program review. She also stressed that instruction is the instructor's call – the administration will not be prescriptive on how instruction is done. Faculty will not be told "you will teach this class and you will do it this way." We just need to define and illustrate what we're doing for instruction is reflected in the catalog and elsewhere to show commonality within the institution.

I. **Executive Session**: none called.

J. **Next meeting**: October 27, 2017 @ 3pm (JOYC 1404) + hybrid/virtual work on revising bylaws. This date may be adjusted as needed.

K. Adjourned: 3:53 pm