



Faculty Senate

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FACULTY SENATE MINUTES

Date: 12/6/2019 at 2:00pm

Location: JOYC 1404

- A. **Call to order:** 2:03 p.m.
- B. **Present:** Nicole Dick, Phil Hoke, Liz Tharman, Larry Jenkins, Courtney Morris, Brian McCallum, Susan Ortega, Michael Knutson, Perla Salazar
- C. **Absent:** None
- D. **Comments from guests:** None
- E. **Program Highlight:** None
- F. **Approval of minutes:** The minutes from the November 8th meeting were reviewed and approved.
- G. **Report from College Council**
 - a. As per the email, changes have been made to who can send out Busermails. Busermails should be used for only important notifications.
 - b. Pres. Ruda asked if College Council wanted to buy gifts for CASA kids as part of their holiday activities. College Council approved the action.
 - c. The Policies on Travel, Travel – Federal Award, and Meal Reimbursement were reviewed and clarifications made on reimbursement rates.
 - d. College Council is taking part in a leadership training using the book *13 Ideas That Are Changing the Community College World*.
- H. **Report from Board of Trustees**
 - a. The Board of Trustees met on November 12th.
 - b. They held an Executive Session to discuss the findings of the Bradforth report. The college released a statement detailing its response and actions.
 - c. The Board discussed the Diversity and Social Responsibility Essential Skills and how they are defined and understood
 - d. The new Strategic Plan was presented.
 - e. The Board's next meeting will be Tuesday, December 10th at 6pm
- I. **Old Business**

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- a. Spring Lunches with Dr. Ruda
 - i. Larry reported that Penka is discussing their plans now. Joyce will go next in February. Brian offered to discuss it with Mark.
- b. Learning Communities will continue in the spring semester.
- c. The revised bylaws were brought forward to faculty review. Receiving no feedback Faculty Senate motioned and approved the updated bylaws.
- d. The continued review of Instructional Policies was tabled until next meeting.
- e. Liz reported that Calendar Committee discussed have an advising day in relation with the first day of enrollment. Faculty Senate discussed the idea and thought it would be a good idea if conducted properly. They also suggest it not fall on the MWF class schedule.

J. New Business

- a. Professional Development Requests
 - i. Nick Salazar – MIT Sloan Sports Analysis Conference
 - 1. Faculty Senate discussed the request but did not take any action pending further clarification of the request.
 - ii. Michael Knutson – College Art Association
 - 1. Michael attended the meeting and discussed the benefits of the conference. Faculty Senate discussed the application and it was motioned and approved to supply funding.
- b. Committees
 - i. Census 2020 Committee
 - 1. Nancy asked for two transfer and two tech faculty to be a part of the committee. Nicole will be on it as well as Cindy VenJohn. Nicole asked Faculty Senate to consider who else might be good on the committee.
 - ii. Core Curriculum Committee
 - 1. The Core Curriculum Committee has been created with the following members: Phil Terpstra, Chuck Pfeifer, Michale Knutson, Karen Adams, Patsy Zeller, and Brandy Unruh.
- c. Review Instructional Policies – Faculty Appointment through Internship
 - i. The review of Instructional Policies was tabled until next meeting. Nicole asked that everyone finish reading the rest of the policies for next meeting.
- d. Dean of Institutional Effectiveness
 - i. Faculty Senate discussed concerns that the salary being offered is too low for outside candidates to accept the position. In addition, concern was raised over promoting an internal candidate and then not providing them with the training, help, and support they need.

K. Joys and Concerns: Congratulations to all the winners of the GCCC Fall 2019 Writing Contest. Patrons of the Fine Arts has been meeting to discuss funding and other opportunities to support Fine Arts at the college and in the community.

L. Executive Session (if needed): None Called

M. Next meeting: Friday January 10, 2020 at 2 p.m.

N. Adjournment: 2:45 p.m.

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