

Faculty Council: March 21, 2014

Call to Order: President Tiffany Cartwright called the meeting to order at 1:15 PM

Roll Call: Roll was called and all representatives were accounted for except as noted below.

CPC:

Will Geisler
Kelley Reynolds - absent
Lorena Rodriguez - absent
Judi Wohead

PRC:

Mindi Bailey
Rodney Boyd
Regina Hughes
Joan Kennedy
Bryan Rasmussen
Clint Starr

SCC:

Betsy Brody
Chris Grooms - absent
Tony Howard
Joan Jenkins
Barbara Lusk - absent
Marti Miles-Rosenfield
Paula Miller
Kay Mizell
Sam Tullock

Approval of January 2014 Minutes: Minutes of the January 2014 meeting were approved as distributed.

Treasurer's Report: C. Starr reported an account balance of \$18902.76 for the Full-Time Faculty Scholarship Fund.

Presidents Report:

1. The SACS report has been submitted. Tiffany has a paper copy, it is also available on CougarWeb if you want to review it. The official visit will be October 28-30.
2. Board approval of faculty contracts will be on Tuesday, March 25 @7:00 pm

3. FC Elections – nominations in March, election in April

There was a discussion regarding FC term limits. According to the FC Meeting Minutes 2-17-12 and the FC Procedures Manual the maximum is 2 consecutive terms. This is not posted correctly on the FC website, but since it is still the current rule as voted upon by Faculty Council, term limits will be enforced.

4. Tiffany asked how long other faculty members keep tests and graded papers since there is a question of how long is necessary. Grade Appeals has said only one long semester after the term is okay.

Old Business:

1. Prioritizing Summer Assignments: T. Howard reviewed summer enrollment by Summer I, II, and III. He showed the summer I enrollment is always stronger than student enrollment in summer II, which may be why faculty prefer to teach in summer I.

2. Technology Committee proposal: The proposal from the Technology Committee to allow Faculty Council to choose faculty on CAB (Curriculum Advisory Board) and OAB (Online Advisory Board) was presented to the VPPs at their last meeting. It will continue to be discussed and possibly presented to the deans and Leadership Team again before a decision is made.

3. Leave/faculty retention committee: Judi Wohead and Paula Miller reported that the committee has met and found that some leave procedures we have been following may not be formally written down anywhere in college policy. They will be meeting again to discuss further.

4. Chair compensation and responsibilities: no report

5. Faculty overloads: W. Geisler reported

The committee has completed its work. No action is recommended at this time by the Ad Hoc Committee.

Committee Reports:

1. Technology – George Jackson

Windows XP will not be maintained by Microsoft. The Technology Committee is recommending Windows 8 – call the Help Desk. If you would like Adobe software on your personal computer, Collin has made a deal with Adobe Cloud to provide for \$9.75 a year. Problems with BlackBoard – contact Webservices or Dave Hoyt. If you don't report a problem or slowness to them, they don't know it happened.

2. College Policy – Barbara Lusk – no report

3. FC Procedures – Dan Lipscomb – no further information at this time regarding associate faculty participation in FC
4. Teaching/Learning – Regina Hughes
The Lunch and Learn program started today. There may be a Summer Institute on Technology
5. Collin Community – Julie Turnbow – no report
6. Academic Freedom – Tony Howard – no report

District Committees:

COE – MIndi Bailey

Approximately \$30,000 left in travel funds. Temporary FT faculty will be able to apply for travel funds starting in Fall 2014. There will be an information forum on April 24th for faculty applying for MYC next year.

ACC – Lynn Jones

Meals on Wheels food drive will be in the Spring only starting next year

CAB – Ellen Bell – no report

SOBI – Lorena Rodriguez – no report

CPC Report – J. Wohead

The annual CPC Health Fair was a success.

PRC Report – R. Boyd

There will be a screening of “Girl Rising” from 1-3 pm.

SCC –B. Brody – reported that the Suburbia Music Festival will impact parking during weekend college in May.

New Business:

No New Business

Next Meeting: April 11th at PRC, 1:15 PM

Call for Adjournment by T. Howard. All approved. Adjournment at 2:16 PM