

Faculty Council: April 11, 2014

Call to Order: President Tiffany Cartwright called the meeting to order at 1:20 PM

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

CPC:

Will Geisler
Kelley Reynolds
Lorena Rodriguez - absent
Judi Wohead

PRC:

Mindi Bailey
Rodney Boyd
Regina Hughes
Joan Kennedy – absent – Kim Nyman proxy
Bryan Rasmussen
Clint Starr

SCC:

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

Approval of March 2014 Minutes: Minutes of the March 2014 meeting were approved as distributed (motion by M. Cohick, second by B. Rasmussen)

Treasurer's Report: C. Starr reported an account balance of 18902.76. There is also an undetermined amount that could be contributed by Dr. Israel due to his pledge earlier in the year. After a discussion, there was a unanimous vote to increase the number of Full-time faculty scholarships given out next year to 14 (motion by J. Wohead, second by B. Lusk)

Presidents Report:

1. FC Elections – remember to vote

2. Who do you want to bring in for a Q&A session on the fall?

FC would like to have another forum with Trustee candidates in the Spring prior to the election. After a discussion, it was decided that FC would invite Dr. Israel to come and speak as a follow up to the October SACS visit (November meeting) and that we would invite the VPP's for the January FC meeting.

Old Business:

1. Technology Committee proposal: Waiting to discuss at scheduled meetings
2. Leave/faculty retention committee: B. Lusk reported that information had been requested, and they are waiting on a reponse.
3. Chair compensation and responsibilities: The committee is still working and is hoping to have a report for the May meeting.

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. Please save anything on your C Drive to another source. Phones will also be upgraded, you may lose saved messages

2. College Policy – Barbara Lusk – no update

3. FC Procedures – Dan Lipscomb – the election is ongoing, updates to the FC procedure manual are being placed on the website.

There was a discussion regarding Associate Faculty (AF) representation in FC. Three possible options were presented:

- a. AF can elect 1 representative that could vote as a member of FC
- b. AF can elect 1 representative as a non-voting observer to FC
- c. Create a FC Committee for AF issues that would include both appointed AF and FT faculty

K. Nyman made a motion that FC accept both option “a” and option “c”, second by K. Reynolds. After more discussion, M. Cohick made a motion to call the issue to question. The motion passed, details to be worked out. The AF will be able to vote on a representative, but will not be able to vote for FT Faculty representatives/officers.

4. Teaching/Learning – Regina Hughes

Look for a survey regarding the Lunch and Learn program

5. Collin Community – Julie Turnbow – no report
6. Academic Freedom – Tony Howard – no report

District Committees:

COE – MIndi Bailey

The Outstanding Professor Award finalists will be announced at the April Board meeting. There was excellent faculty representation at the March Board meeting. The COE election is wrapping up and the ballots will be counted on Tuesday. There is a multi-year contract information session on April 24th. Additional dates are pending – May 2nd, June 27th, and July 25th.

ACC – Lynn Jones- no report

CAB – Ellen Bell – no report

SOBI – Lorena Rodriguez

J. Wohead reported that SOBI has had a busy semester. Would faculty be interested in classroom management training?

CPC Report – J. Wohead

Judi reported that there has been good attendance at the “Sugar with Sherry” CPC meetings. Dr. Schumann may consider a “faculty only” meeting.

PRC Report – R. Boyd

Rodney reported on many events and examples of faculty involvement at PRC.

SCC –B. Brody – nothing to report

New Business:

No New Business

Next Meeting: May 2nd at CHEC, 1:15 PM

Call for Adjournment by T. Howard. All approved. Adjournment at 2:13 PM