Collin College Faculty Council

April 12, 2019, 1:00, CHEC 107 | Meeting called to order by President Nick Morgan

Representatives

McKinney	Frisco	Plano
Tony Airhart (2017-19)	Ellen Bell (2018-19)(a)	Leda Cott (2018-19) (a)
Joan Hunsaker (2017-19)	Debra St. John (2017-19)	Tony Howard (2017-19)
Michael Rose (2017-19) Proxy by Joe Jaynes	Sunita Rangarajan (2017-19)	Tonya McMillion (2017-19) Proxy by Mervat Karout
Seema Endley (2018-20)	Rachel Bzostek (2018-20)	Kay Mizell (2017-19)
Toni McMillen (2018-20)	Diana Gingo (2018-20)	Dean Wallace (2017-19)
Joe Jaynes (2018-20)	Randy Collins (2018-20)	Roger Ward (2017-19)
	Suzanne Jones (2018-20)	Doug Boliver (2018-20)
	Jason Morgan (2018-20)	Bridgette Kirkpatrick (2018- 20)
		Marta Moore (2018-20)
		Michael McConachie (2018- 20)
		Barbara Stern (2018-20)
		Stephen Whitley (2018-20)
	Associate Faculty Representativ	ves
Susan Owens (2018-20)	Bonnie Ford (2018-20)	John P. Williams (2018-20)

Vice President-Kat Balch

Minutes taken by Secretary Toni L. McMillen

Approval of Minutes

Joe motions; Mike seconds; minutes approved

Board Reports

Treasurer's Report: Bonnie Ford 2798.01

Vice-President's Report: Kat Balch, No Report

President's Report:

- Testing Center Report: The testing center has responded by placing the previous offerings back in place for the semester. This return was fairly quick, but many Math instructors have already restructured their schedules.
- Standing Committees: The new President of Faculty Council may ask for new leaders.

Standing Faculty Council Committees

<u>Academic Freedom</u>: Roger Ward and Diana Gingo-Chairs, No Report <u>Associate Faculty</u>: Susan Owens, Chair -The associate faculty will meet in April to hear any faculty concerns.

Committee for the Common Good: Kat Balch and Toni McMillen

• Retiree Reception: The retiree reception will be at the last meeting in May. The Committee of the Common Good met after the last Faculty Council meeting to divide up preliminary tasks. Marta Moore and Seema are helping to edit and present this year. We are only aware of eight retirees at this time.

Policy: Debra St. John, No report

<u>Procedures and Nominations</u>: Procedures and Nominations: Dan Lipscomb, Chair New Officers Announced

- Kat Balch, President
- Aaron West, Vice-President
- A breakdown of who voted by percentages—see attached/email announcements
- Ideas discussed: For next year, we may consider a secondary biography page to help get the information out for officer elections.

Teaching and Learning: No Report

Technology: Mervat Karout

- Concur: Will be moved to purchasing. Look for more information this summer.
- Banner Issues: IT is frustrated with Banner and we may need to set up representatives to work with banner.

AD Hoc Faculty Council Committees

<u>Academic Ladder</u>: Mike McConachie, Chair-No report at this time. <u>Chris Grooms Scholarship</u>: No report. <u>Recognition</u>: Cathy Thurman-

District Committees:

Staff Council: Liz Howard, VP

- Distinguished Staff: Staff Council will work with the recognitions committee for recognizing distinguished staff.
- Meals on Wheels: Numbers to be reported soon. However, Frisco had 144 boxes which is a great outcome for their campus and an awesome show of support for the project.
- Silent Auction Advertising: Conversations are being held about advertising, where to advertise and how to label the ad itself

<u>CAB</u>: Gwen Miller, CAB – No Report

<u>COAT</u>: They meet next week for their regular meeting. No report at this time. <u>COE</u>: Rebecca Orr, Chair of COE

- Elections: Will be confirmed as soon as people reconfirm their availability.
- Concur: COE is working with the administration and Concur to make it more user friendly for Faculty. They will be asking for some faculty representatives to sit in with consultants at the business office.
- P-Card: Concur is also looking at working with a P Card which is a temporary card loaded with funds for travel
- COE Request for Funds: Rebecca Orr is taking another request for funding to the administration on May 3rd.
- Multi-Year Materials Due: Contract materials for those up for mulit-year contracts are due August 30th (please confirm with your associate Dean and Dean for personal deadlines).

<u>SOBI</u>: No report.

New Business

Concerns for COE Travel Funding Discussion

General Ideas discussed:

- Travel is important to new faculty for encouraging development
- Travel is important to those who serve on boards and represent Collin out in their professional fields that support Professional Development outside of Collin
- Travel is changing due to the fact that we can no longer claim it as a tax deduction on personal taxes

Rebecca Orr-

- Currently, 50% of the faculty travel each year
- If we want faculty to be trained and certified, it makes sense that we are willing to fund the appropriate training
- The Faculty Council's general consensus is that the funds should not be reduced
- These ideas will be taken forward to the administration by COE

Service Learning: Gary Wilson

Gary Wilson proposed developing a committee to research the assessment and improvement of Service Learning which would lead to a list of best practices for instructors and strengthen community relations. This proposal would include surveys, benchmarking, communicating with students and community partners. The idea would be to support faculty and participation. For a variety of reasons, the Faculty Council did not wish to move forward with this committee at this time. Concerns included: Faculty load, Student load, the amount of credit hours for graduation and the potential conflict of academic freedom for each individual instructor. No action taken. Road Construction Alerts: Rachel Bzostek

Due to a gas leak in Frisco, some students were late to class due to construction and repair work within minutes of the college. Rachel wonders if there is a way we could add such announcements to CANVAS or Cougar Alert. A variety of responses were discussed such as student responsibility to leave early enough, flexibility of instructors to accept late arrivals under certain specific circumstances, and the overuse of announcements that could clutter up and deter people from retrieving other emergency announcements. The council decided to take no action at this time.

Clutter: Debra St. John

The only way to make sure important stuff does not go to clutter is to turn it off.

Meeting Adjourned

Call to Adjourn; Nick Morgan motions; Tony Howard seconds; Meeting Adjourned

Frisco Campus	McKinney Campus	Plano Campus	
Rachel Bzostek (2018 – 20)	Seema Endley (2018 – 20)	Hannah Adams (2019 – 21)	
Randy Collins (2018 – 20)	Joe Jaynes (2018 – 20)	Doug Boliver (2018 – 20)	
Diana Gingo (2018 – 20)	Toni McMillen (2018 – 20)	Peggy Brown (2019 – 21)	
Suzanne Jones (2018 – 20)	**Tony Airhart (2019 – 21)	Mike Cohick (2019 – 21)	
Jason Morgan (2018 – 20)	Jason Snyder (2019 – 21)	Bridgette Kirkpatrick (2018 – 20)	
Kim Nyman (2019 – 21)	Vijaya Velamakanni (2019 – 21)	Michael McConachie (2018 – 20)	
Sunita Rangarajan (2019 – 21)		Kay Mizell (2019 – 21)	
Debra St. John (2019 – 21)		Marta Moore (2018 – 20)	
		Barbara Stern (2018 – 20)	
		Larry Stern (2019 – 21)	
		Roger Ward (2019 – 21)	
		Stephen Whitley (2018 – 20)	
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Faculty Council Representatives for 2019 - 2020

**Tony Airhart was elected to serve Fall 2019 as a one-semester sabbatical replacement for Lorena Rodriguez