Academic Senate

Open Meeting

Monday, October 27, 2003 3:00-4:45

Room 1108

Minutes

Members Present

Cathy Anderson

Frank Nigro

Kevin Fox

Warren Lytle

Dave Bush

Kendall Crenshaw

Gary Lewis

David Cooper

Ramon Tello

Sue Loring

Vickie Kimbrough

Susan Meacham

Randy Reed

Laura Valvatne

Scott Gordon

Terry Turner

Chuck Spotts

Ron Marley

Kevin Fox

Toby Bodeen

Guests

Cassandra Ryan Scott Thompson Mike Vanderwerf

- 1. Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 3:03 p.m.
- 2. Approval of Minutes 10/13/03 (1 Attachment): Warren Lytle moved approval; Dave Bush seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

3. Reports

a. Shasta College Foundation: Scott Thompson and Nancy DeHalas introduced themselves. Scott is the Foundation director (part time) and Nancy is his assistant. Scott described his efforts to re-envision the Foundation and described himself as an "activist." The Foundation's job is to go out and find money for various projects that will benefit the college/students. Foundation money comes from donations made by various people over the years. They have about \$1.9 million, a million of which is designated for scholarships. The college also has some additional properties that it may be selling. He has a number of established projects to work on, but he's willing to entertain other projects, and he likes it best when someone comes to his office and presents him with a project that is near and dear to their heart. One idea was the idea for the new cement benches appearing on campus. This was an idea Chuck Brady from Physical Plant came up with and brought to Scott. He distributed a brochure called "Get Together" which is about the new benches and how to donate one. Another project is to develop some activities that would allow us to benefit from the wisdom and time of retired employees of the college. Many retirees have not been made to feel welcome back to the college. Scott's working on a way to bring them in and to allow them to contribute to campus life.

One of Scott's goals is to do some fence-mending to repair community/campus relations. With many projects we've undertaken in the last few years, we've created ill will by backing out of agreements or understanding. We now receive much less from the McConnell Foundation than we did in previous years, for example. Scott has started something called "community connection" which aims at bringing community members in to meet people like Tom Harris. He has breakfast with them and then takes them around campus. He had Lee Salter from the McConnell Foundation come out, for example. For the first time, they were shown some of the important things we're doing, like the ITV classes. He's also working on a possible speaker's series which he's planning. In order for this to be successful, it has to have support from the campus, and that comes from doing something relevant.

On the question of whether Treadway funneled Foundation money into his own pet projects, Scott noted he had studied this and had found no wrong-doing.

Scott and Nancy would like to integrate the Foundation into the campus more. They will be sending out a monthly update to the Senate and he'd like to be able to visit the Senate once in awhile for an informational report.

- b. Adjunct Faculty Webpage (http://www3.shastacollege.edu/adjunct/): Kevin Fox and Mike Vanderwerf gave an update on the adjunct faculty webpage. All of the links are active, but some have no information because people haven't sent them in information yet. They went through the page showing where things were missing. Cathy, Kevin, and Mike will meet to plan out how to get the rest of the information. The question came up as to why we don't have a faculty resource page. Cathy suggested this might be a good thing for us to put together eventually. The Senate was appreciative of the results so far. Cathy asked us each to take an hour sometime in the next week to review this page and make recommendations to Mike and Kevin.
- c. Cathy Anderson congratulated Toby Bodeen on her award from the Shasta County Citizens Against Racism fourteenth annual Civil Rights and Social Justice
- d. Prior to her sabbatical in 2003-2003, Zena Juhasz was on the tenure review committee of Leo Fong. Judy Kelsey replaced her during Zena's absence. Now, Judy is retiring, and Zena has been asked back to the committee. Dave Bush moved that she be put on the committee; Warren Lytle seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

4. Discussion/Action Items

a. Prerequisites (no attachments): A general discussion/update on progress or concerns related to prerequisites.

Cathy put the flowchart on the board and the discussion began. A student can get into a course by meeting the prereq, by having a suitable score on the AP exam or have equivalent credit from another college, or by multiple measures. Matriculation subcommittees are working on the last two items. A key issue was at what point in the process would we hold a spot for the student: when they first meet the counselor or during the challenge process.

5. Other

a. Sue Loring gave an update on the Matriculation Committee and its work on multiple measures, what assumptions they're starting from, and what issues they're still working on. They are assuming that there should be a standardized form that everyone can use, but it should be customizable by department. Issues they're still working on: what criteria to use; what system of evaluation to use; who makes the decision?; what is their deadline? She presented a form showing the different multiple measures that might be used: test scores (English and math only); H.S./College GPA; grades in related courses; related experience; skills

demonstration; questionnaire; student's preference. It's all very preliminary at this point. There's also an equivalency subcommittee and a prerequisite subcommittee.

- 6. Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 5:03 p.m.
- 7. Next meeting: 3:00 pm, November 24, 2003, in Room 1108.