

Academic Senate
Monday, October 26, 2009
3:00-4:45 p.m.

Room 1120

| Executive Committee members present | | | | | |
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| x | Cathy Anderson | x | Terry Bailey | | Megan McQueen |
| x | Craig Thompson/Sonny Stupek | x | Ramon Tello | x | Rob McCandless |
| x | Leo Fong | x | Toby Bodeen | x | Karen Henderson |
| x | Alan Spivey | | Jason Kelly | x | Leimone Waite |
| x | Shelly Presnell | x | Iraja Siva-Das | x | Susan Meacham |
| x | Eva Jimenez | x | Andrea Williams | x | Ray Nicholas |
| x | Jennifer McCandless | x | Terrie Snow | x | Heather Wylie |
| x | Brad Peters | | Don Cingrani (N/V) | x | Maureen Stephens |
| | Ron Marley (N/V) | | Lois Cushnie (N/V) | x | William Cochran (N/V) |
| Other faculty present | | | | | |
| x | Debbie Goodman | | | | |
| Guests | | | | | |
| x | Denise Cooper, Student Senate | | | | |
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Agenda:

1. Called to Order at 3:00 p.m. by Cathy Anderson.
2. Approval of 10/12/09 minutes moved by Heather Wiley and Seconded by Maureen Stephens. Motion passed with minor corrections to minutes.
3. Opportunity for Public Comment -None
4. Reports
 - a. Report from the Senate President (Cathy Anderson) – The list of resolutions is out for plenary session. Faculty need to let Iraja know if there are resolutions we want to make comments about before he leaves for the session that starts on Nov 12th.

Cathy also mentioned that there are some issues with the interpretation of the "significant lapse of time for repeating a course policy" we adopted last year. More to come on this later.

- b. Report from Instructional Council (Susan Meacham)-None
 - c. Report from SLO Committee (Shelly Presnell)- The committee is working on the final report.
 - d. Report from College Council (Maureen Stephens) - At the most recent meeting some more cost saving ideas were presented. Each division Dean presented a summary of their cost saving strategies for a 5% cut. Deadline of December 15th for Gary Lewis to sunshine his plan for making the budget cuts. Cathy Anderson expressed her disappointment with the lack of specifics; Bill said that the danger in giving too many specifics was that folks would react as if the list were the final plan not just a proposal of ideas.
 - e. Report from Curriculum Council (Leimone Waite) - At the last meeting the committee adopted a new policy regarding how mandated changes to programs and courses were handled. These types of changes will have a separate agenda area (between consent and discussion) and will have standing approval from the committee as long as the changes meet the criteria for a Mandated Change. Mandated changes are those that are required by an outside certifying agency and would apply to programs such as Fire, AOJ, Nursing, CIS, etc.
 - f. Report from Matriculation Committee (as needed) (Lois Cushnie) -None
 - g. Report from the Scholastic Standards Committee (as needed) (Don Cingrani) - None
5. Discussion/Action Items
- a. Smoking/Tobacco Use Policy: The Student Senate, with input from Health & Wellness Services is revisiting the current smoking policy. Debbie Goodman spoke about the current smoking policy that is 10 years old. She also had statistics about other campuses that have no smoking or designated areas for smoking. Student senate has been very concerned about the infractions to the current the policy. The American Lung Assoc. has sent a letter to our administration urging a non-smoking campus and the association C.O.U.G.H. has provided a sample resolution that would ban smoking. There was discussion about if this would affect enrollment. Questions were asked as to who would enforce a smoking ban? Could this cause fire danger if we were banning students from smoking on campus and parking lots and they went into the woods to smoke? Debbie would like to see a resolution for support. A member of the student senate also spoke in support of the resolution. No action was taken.
 - b. Resolution for the Minimum Qualifications for CTE Instructors: A revision from the last meeting. **This is a second reading.** (Leimone, Iraja, Megan, Ray) (1 attachment) - Susan made suggested changes for the first and second paragraphs. Word error in to third paragraph was corrected and a description was added. Jennifer Candles moved to approve with suggested changes, Andrea Williams seconded and motion passed.
 - c. Hiring Priorities Procedure: The subcommittee working on this procedure is presenting a proposed revision. **This is a first reading.** (Susan Meacham) (1 attachment) - Susan outlined changes made to the procedure. Most of the

changes were made to part II (Hiring Procedure for New Permanent Faculty Positions) paragraphs d. and e. Cathy made a suggestion to remove the word "decision" from paragraph d. part ii.

- d. List of Unfilled Positions: At the last meeting the Senate asked to see the current list of unfilled faculty positions and the current status of each position. This is for information only. (Bill Cochran) (1 attachment) - Bill showed the list of faculty positions open. Bill explained that this list could change at anytime.
 - e. Policy Revisions Chart: Cabinet is developing a flow chart to illustrate the procedure for policy revisions. (Bill Cochran) (1 attachment) - Cathy stated that the Faculty Senate needed to have separate flow chart box and line that would have them report directly to cabinet. Bill said he would make some changes and bring the chart back to a future meeting.
7. Adjournment 4:30 p.m.
8. Next meeting: **Monday, November 09, 2009 in Room 1120.**