

Academic Senate

Grossmont College

Minutes of the Meeting – May 1, 2006

PRESENT: Beth Smith (President); Bonnie Schmiege (Vice President); Victoria Howitt (Senate Officer at Large); Craig Milgrim (Senate Officer at Large); P.J.Ortmeier, Tina Young (Administration of Justice); (ASL); Jim Wilsterman, Suda House, Paul Turounet (Art); Dave Wertlieb, Virginia Dudley (Biological Sciences); Linda Snider, Mark Pressnall (Business Office Technology); Rick Kirby, Don Ridgway (Cardiovascular Technology); Tom Olmstead (Chemistry); (Child Development); Joel Castellaw (Communication); Diane Mayne-Stafford (Computer Science); Mary Rider, Debbie Lim, Renee Tuller (Counseling); James Foran for Joe Orate, Evan Enowitz (Culinary Arts); Jane Nolan, Scott Barr (Disabled Student Services); (Dance); Chris Hill (Earth Sciences); Gary Phillips, Linda Mitchell, (English); Virginia Berger, (ESL); Sylvia Montejano (EOPS); Jim Symington, Laura Burger (Exercise Science and Wellness); (Foreign Language); Sue Gonda (History); (International Business); Michelle Blackman, Pat Morrison (Library); Peg Hovde, Nemie Capacia, Jeff Waller (Math); Evan Wirig (Media Communications); (Music); (Nursing); Valerie Plummer (Occupational Therapy); David Milroy (PartTime Representatives); (Philosophy, Humanities & Religious Studies); (Physics, Astronomy, & Physical Sciences); Todd Meyers (Political Economy); Lorenda Seibold-Phalan (Respiratory Therapy); (Theatre Arts).

ABSENT: Lance Parr (Administration of Justice); Jennifer Carmean (ASL); (Art); Teresa Jacob, Israel Cardona, Gregg Robinson (Behavioral Sciences); Michael Golden (Biological Sciences); Brian Keliher, Nate Scharff (Business Administration); (Cardiovascular Technology); (Chemistry); Sheridan Dewolf, Mary Courtney (Child Development); Sheri Guseman (Communication); Janet Gelb, Clifton Quinn (Computer Science); Tom Gamboa (Cross Cultural Studies); (Counseling); Kathy Meyer (Dance); (Disabled Student Services); Mark Goodman, Tim Cliffe (Earth Sciences); Julie Cardenas, Stephanie Mood, Qais Sako (English); Chuck Passentino, Nancy Herzfeld-Pipkin (ESL); (EOPS); Karen Caires, Joyce Sake (Exercise Science and Wellness); Ruth F. Konopka, Carmen Hernandez (Foreign Language); Marty Ennis, Devon Hansen (History); Priscilla Rogers (International Business); (LRC); Susan Working (Math); William Snead (Media Communications); Steve Baker, Fred Benedetti, Derek Cannon (Music); Nancy Tendal (Nursing); Raul Sandelin (PartTime Representatives); Zoe Close, Bill Hoaglin (Philosophy, Humanities & Religious Studies); Ross Cohen, Dennis Collins (Physics, Astronomy, & Physical Sciences);(Political Economy); (Respiratory Therapy); Beth Mallette, Craig Everett (Theatre Arts).

GUESTS: Joan Ahrens, Faculty - English

Della Elliott, Staff – Public Information

Marsha Raybourn, Supervisor – Instructional Operations

RECORDER: Tasa Campos

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. Approval of Agenda

A motion was made to approve the agenda.

M/S/U Kirby/Snider

Approval of Minutes from March 20, 2006

A motion was made to approve the minutes from the April 17, 2006 meeting.

M/S/P Olmstead/Hill

There was one abstention.

II. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Spring Plenary Session

Beth shared the State Plenary Session she had attended last week had been both interesting and informative. Some information is as follows:

Resolutions opposing the 60% to 80% max load for part time faculty were overwhelmingly passed. The primary reasons for the opposition were the negative impact to the diversity of the faculty, bargaining implications, negative impact on academic freedom and governance, and potential abuse of vocational faculty.

Resolutions were passed supporting increased participation of part time faculty. One of the proposed changes would draft new Title 5 language that would mandate the opportunity for part time faculty to participate in governance. Research will be conducted to see how colleges and districts are involving part time faculty.

Resolutions were passed for more resource development through the State Senate office and more leadership opportunities.

An ESL paper was adopted. Virginia Berger was a co-author. The group gave Virginia a round of applause. Virginia gave a review of the paper.

Resolutions passed on Accreditation and new standards. The State Senate will start looking at alternate methods of accrediting colleges. The Senate also wants to investigate having the same standards for all post secondary institutions. The Senate will also be investigating and researching the impact and effectiveness of the current standards.

Resolutions passed on Curriculum. The Senate wants to collect course outlines for alternate courses developed to meet the graduation requirements for Math and English. The Senate approved the Curriculum Committees to review stand alone courses and to strengthen and approve program processes at state level.

All resolutions and election outcomes will be available on the State Academic Senate website by the end of the month.

Vocational Faculty Leadership Institute

The Vocational Faculty Leadership Institute was reviewed by Renee Tuller, Janet Gelb, Lorenda Seibold-Phalan, and Linda Snider. All expressed the value of the event.

Beth shared there will be a Faculty Leadership Institute in June and a Curriculum Institute in July and strongly encouraged involvement. If anyone is interested in attending, please let her know.

Election of Part Time Representative

Beth shared one seat is open of the two Part Time Faculty Representatives. Nominations are opening today. An Election Committee is needed consisted of one Senate Officer and additional members. Nominations will close at the Senate meeting on May 15th. Only part time faculty will be eligible to vote in the election. Please forward any nominees to Beth. If you are interested in assisting with the Election Committee, please let an officer know.

II. ACTION ITEMS

None at this time.

IV. INFORMATION ITEMS

Distance Ed Plan – Attachment #1

Diane Mayne-Stafford gave an electronic presentation on the Distant Ed Plan. She reviewed the following:

History of ICC and Distance Education

Online and Hybrid courses

ICC and Distance Ed relationships

ICC and Distance Ed accomplishments

Training for faculty being offered but not required. A hand out of faculty Distance Ed Training for Spring 2006 was distributed.

ICC support of students and faculty

Some concerns and questions were asked by the group:

Problems with students evaluating the faculty member and the class

Control of tests

Student Retention. Diane shared the retention studies had been done a couple of years ago but United Faculty is requesting more.

Concerns were expressed about information on online and hybrid courses not being made clearly enough in regards to scheduling and class descriptions.

Online and hybrid course class sizes. Currently the class size is approximately 40 – 50 students depending on the class. Some faculty have expressed the class limit be downsized. This is a United Faculty issue.

Will faculty receive comp time for training and preparing for online or hybrid courses? The group discussed the issues of training and preparing for both online/hybrid and regular courses. This is a United Faculty issue.

Diane stated more backing by the Senate and Administration is needed.

Diane then reviewed Years 1, 2, and 3 Objectives and Goals. The group had the following questions and/or suggestions for the objectives and goals:

Add a research information section into Year 1.

Reflect in the plan and each year work being done with a bulleted list.

Year 2 – continue with issues in Year 1.

United Faculty issues are not listed in the plan. Add a bulleted list of issues being worked on with United Faculty (class size, comp time, etc.)

Work with Information Systems on integration and support.

Improve student online support services.

Online degree. The issue was discussed along with courses needing labs and how this would affect the degree.

Online degree needs to be better defined.

In Year 3, Objective 3, add "Report to the Academic Senate" to the list.

Please send any additional comments or suggestions to Diane. The item will be an Action item at the next Academic Senate meeting.

Debbie Lim distributed a flyer and shared a PDC 299 course is being offered titled "Strategies for Success in Online Courses." The course is .5 units and

will be offered on Friday, May 5th and May 12th, 9:00am – 12:50pm in Room 7113. Section number 6801 and the instructor is Janice Johnson. Please inform students of this opportunity.

Beth thanked Diane for her presentation.

Academic Rank

Evan Wirig reviewed by overhead the following candidates for Academic Rank-2006:

Assistant Professor

Judy Dirbas

Associate Professor

Carlos A. Contreras, Ph.D.

Sheri Guseman

Chris Hill, Ph.D.

Kamala Balasubramainian

Nancy Herzfeld-Pipkin

David Mullen

Victoria Howitt

Malia E. Serrano

Thomas Olmstead, Ph.D.

Professor

John Oakes, Ph.D.

Patricia Bradley

James Wilsterman

Gay Cox

Joyce Sake

Marshall A. Beach

Jennifer Carmean

AP 3720 – Attachment #2

The group reviewed and discussed the new procedure AP 3720. Beth recommended everyone thoroughly read the procedure and share with their departments. United Faculty is currently reviewing the procedure. Please send any concerns and/or comments to Beth.

It was shared at the last Governing Board, the Board voted on items without Senate approval.

Faculty to Serve on Committees

The group reviewed the following list of faculty to serve on committees:

Task Force on Supervised Tutoring – Cathy Harvey, Peg Hovde, Marion DeKoning, John Mercurio

Task Force to Review Off Campus Sites – Mary Rider, Diane Mayne-Stafford, Marilyn Ivanovici

Director of EOPS Hiring Committee – Sylvia Montejano, Carl Fielden, Judy Dirbas, Scott Barr

This item will be an action item at the next Senate meeting.

V. Other

Paul Turounet and Suda House distributed a flyer with information about the Photo Department's annual Photo Emporium on Saturday, May 6, 9:00am – 11:00am in the Hyde Gallery. There will be great deals on photos, equipment, and supplies. If you have any questions or donations, please contact Paul or Suda.

David Milroy distributed a flyer containing information on Grossmont in France 2006. The trip would include six weeks in France this summer. For more information contact David Milroy or Marion de Koning.

Meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

***The next meeting will be May 15 in Griffin Gate.**

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