

Notes from ACADEMIC SENATE PART-TIME FACULTY COMMITTEE

Monday, October, 27, 2014, 11:00 – 12:30, 70-066

Present: Sue Gonda, Doug Hartung, Stefanie Johnson, Robert Lacher, Michael Lambe, David Milroy, Terry Reilly, Brian Rickel, Christina Tafoya, Sosha Thomas, Rebecca Thompson, Katrina VanderWoude, Jessica Woods, Memorie Yasuda.
Guests: George Gastil, Tate Hurvitz, Cary Willard. **Recorder:** Tyler Dranguet.

AGENDA & EMAIL UPDATE – TYLER DRANGUET

Due to some technical difficulties last week, the agenda was accidentally sent out missing items and required multiple revisions before the meeting occurred. The Global Address List (GAL) in Outlook had two email addresses listed for Tyler Dranguet: tyler.dranguet@gcccd.edu and tyler_dranguet@gcccd.edu. I.S. and Tyler spent an hour on Friday October 24th to remedy the situation and now only the correct email address is listed in the Outlook GAL. Emails sent to the incorrect email address will now be sent an error message saying that the tyler_dranguet@gcccd.edu email is invalid. The most recent version of all meeting agendas and minutes are available on the Academic Senate website at http://grossmont.edu/academic_senate/.

MEET THE A.S. PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES TATE HURVITZ & CARY WILLARD

Tate Hurvitz and Cary Willard were invited to join the PTFC for a Q&A interview. Both candidates attended the meeting, introduced themselves, and answered questions from PTFC members. Sue Gonda was also present to provide additional information regarding the process of the presidential election.

▪ **CARY WILLARD, Chemistry Department**

Cary has worked at Grossmont College for twenty-one years. She has been involved with many committees including accreditation and has served as the interim dean for her division. She has also been involved with student outreach, including the science festival. Cary is running because she feels that it is her turn to give back so that others can have the same experience that she's had during her time here at Grossmont. She looks forward to the challenges that the position holds and wants to help the incoming College President understand Grossmont's unique culture and values. Cary wants to make sure that students are getting the classes that they need and have access to them in the best possible manner. She believes that the part-time faculty pool is critical to this endeavor and would like to include them wherever possible in the process. Cary believes that adjunct faculty input is very important and that PTFC is an important group to bring forth relevant Senate issues. Since many adjunct faculty members work at multiple institutions, Cary feels that they are in a unique position to bring ideas and experiences from other institutions to the discussion. Cary would like to help make sure that faculty members have access to the tools they need to most effectively help students and make sure that both part-time and full-time faculty members are utilizing these tools to make Grossmont the best college it can possibly be.

▪ **TATE HURVITZ, English Department**

This is Tate's ninth year working at Grossmont College. He has been involved with multiple campus-wide initiatives including "One Book, One Campus" for the last three years and Freshman Academy, Grossmont's first year experience program and has been involved in cross-discipline work that has helped him understand how faculty and staff work together. Tate was a part-time faculty member for many years, working at various community colleges and universities in San Diego. Tate feels that creating avenues for part-time faculty to move toward full-time positions is important and strives to have professional development opportunities available for adjunct faculty members. Tate currently sits on the California Learning Communities Consortium, which is convening next month to discuss part-time participation on a regional scale. In terms of student success, Tate feels that part-time faculty members are critical to this endeavor, that student success needs to be a conversation that involves all faculty members, and the governance should be representative across faculty segments. Tate feels that one of Sue's strengths as A.S. President has been to manage many concerns and an array of issues effectively. He would like to continue fostering this environment and utilize the Academic Senate as a body to protect, promote, and seek out the best learning environment that the College can to create the best possible experience for students.

The individual that is elected as the next Academic Senate President will have a 0.20 release next semester to work with Sue Gonda and learn many of the details associated with the position.

FINALIZE PLANS FOR SPRING PART-TIME STAFF DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP

Spring's workshops will be held on Wednesday, January 21st from 5:00 to 7:30pm and on Thursday, January 22nd from 12:00 to 1:30pm. The Wednesday evening event will focus on student success and part-time faculty's involvement and be tailored specifically to an adjunct audience. The event will include a thirty minute mixer from 5:00 to 5:30 followed by a

one-hour presentation from FACCC to give a broad, statewide view on the topic from 5:30 to 6:30 and a Grossmont-specific presentation on the Pathways program from 6:30 to 7:30pm. Beth Smith will be contacted to see if she is available to present the Pathways portion of this event. The Thursday lunch event will be adapted for a broader audience and will be open to all faculty members. The daytime event will include a thirty minute lunch from 12:00 to 12:30 followed by a one-hour presentation from FACCC from 12:30 to 1:30.

Motion to finalize the Spring Part-Time Workshop.

M/S/U Lambe/Woods

GUIDELINES ON ELECTIONS

In last month's meeting, Michael offered to take on the task of creating a set of guidelines for the PTFC's election process. It is important that elections be organized and standardized. The discussion of electronic voting was presented, but electronic voting has historically returned abysmal results and since all senators are elected at the department level, it makes more sense for voting to occur there. The A.S. President can continue to send out notices of vacancies to department chairs and the process will unfold from there.

In the past, most PTFC members have volunteered to serve and have not been elected and currently there are twenty-five departments that are not being represented on the committee. Work will be done to flush out the areas where membership is lacking. The dissemination of meeting notes was also discussed. Many representatives currently send their notes to their department chairs and should continue to do so. Meeting minutes are also available through the Academic Senate website.

When vacancies arise in PTFC, it is best to fill the position as quickly as possible. To do this most effectively, a call will go out via email for volunteers to fill the position for the remainder of the position's term. If multiple candidates volunteer to fill the vacancy, then an election will be held according to the guidelines.

The word "volunteer" will be replaced throughout the document before it is presented to the Council of Chairs and Coordinators in November.

Motion to approve the Guidelines for Election.

M/S/U Lambe/Milroy

ACADEMIC SENATE PART-TIME FACULTY CAUCUS

The Statewide Senate meets once a semester and alternates locations between northern and southern California. This semester, it is meeting in Irvine on November 14th. Those interested in attending should contact David Milroy for more information. A carpool is also being set up for those interested and will leave at 2:00pm on the day of the event. Also, a resolution was recently passed at Area B for a part-time seat to the ASCCC Executive Committee. Commentary on it should be sent to David Milroy so that it can be discussed at the caucus.

Meeting Adjourned 12:30.

Next Meeting: November 24, 2014 in Room 70-066.