

MINUTES OF THE FACULTY COUNCIL MEETING

Date: 3/07/2014

Time: 2:00 pm

Location: Leestown Campus, M-122

Present: Val Zeps, James Kolasa, Becky McCane, Vicki Partin, Angie King, Robert Hinkle, Kathy Swango, Maureen Cropper, Richard King, Robin Davis, Melanie Williamson, Joshua Hoekstra, Irene Camargo, Lynn Madison, Melissa Anderson, Nathan Hoskins, Charles Coulston, Sharon Breeding, Tammie Disco-Boggs, Cindy Tucker, Karen Gauthier, Beth Healander, Paul Callan, Kaye Black, Keith Allen, Susan Hayes, Claude Gross, Greg Rickert, Robert Chirwa, Rick Smoot

Ex-Officio: Augusta Julian, Dave Hellmich, Palisa Rushin, Rhonda Wheeler, Bruce Manley

Guests: Sheila Simpson, Bonnie Nicholson, Greg Feeney, Paula Bodner, Robin Gornto, Kevin Craycraft, Marty Baxter, Melinda Greenlese, Maureen Topley, Dixie Webb, Danny Roberts, Perry Sloan, Paul Turner, J.K. Long, Debbie Holt, Judy Druggan, Peggy Rinehart, Fay Foreman, Chrystal Hackney, Carolyn Land, Tom Rogers, Daniel Livingston, Ben Worth, Jennifer Pevley, Allan Robertson

Submitted by: Becky McCane, Secretary of the Faculty

Agenda/Issues	Discussion	Action
Additions to the Agenda	No additions – Resolutions and questions on the budget will be discussed during the CEO/CAO Report	
Approval of Agenda	Motion to approve the agenda – A. King; second Motion carried unanimously	The Agenda was approved, as amended. The Secretary of the Faculty will post the approved agenda on the Faculty Council webpage.
Approval of 2-07-14 Faculty Council Meeting Minutes	Motion to approve the minutes from the 2/07/2014 Faculty Council meeting – Smoot; second Motion carried unanimously	The Secretary of the Faculty will post the approved minutes on the Faculty Council webpage.
Staff Council Community Involvement Week Overview [Sheila Simpson]	Sheila presented the activities that will occur during the week of March 17 – 21. A calendar with the list of activities is available on the Faculty Council webpage.	
Faculty Council 2014-2015 Calendar	Val presented the 2014-2015 Faculty Council Calendar Motion to approve the 2014-2015 Faculty Council Calendar – Coulston; 2 nd There was a brief discussion on the meeting locations.	

	<p>Motion to move the Faculty Council meetings scheduled for the Cooper campus to the Leestown campus – Callan; 2nd</p> <p>Discussion – Val gave the rationale for the meetings scheduled on the Cooper campus and mentioned scratch-off vouchers that are available to allow parking at a very reasonable price for those who do not have a UK parking permit. There was further discussion on the costs associated with driving and/or parking at the various campuses.</p> <p>Call for the question – Williamson; 2nd Carried</p> <p>Vote on motion to move the Faculty Council meetings scheduled for the Cooper campus to the Leestown campus Motion did not carry</p> <p>Motion to move the Faculty Council meetings scheduled for the Cooper campus to the Newtown campus – Callan; 2nd Motion did not carry</p> <p>Vote on motion to approve the 2014-2015 Faculty Council Calendar as presented Motion carried</p>	<p>The Secretary of the Faculty will distribute the decision to faculty, subject to the ten day objection period.</p>
<p>Curriculum Review Committee Report [Rick Smoot & Kathy Swango]</p>	<p>Rick had no report. He announced that the next local CRC meeting would be Friday, March 14.</p> <p>Kathy reported that the System CRC will have the final meeting of the year on March 21 and they would be looking at Cycle D curricula.</p>	
<p>Rules Committee Report [Leon Lane & Robert Hinkle]</p>	<p>Leon was absent, no report.</p> <p>Robert H. presented the Eligible to Vote/Serve List for Spring 2014.</p> <p>Motion to approve the Eligible to Vote/Serve List as presented – Hinkle; 2nd Motion carried unanimously</p>	<p>The Secretary of the Faculty will distribute the decision to faculty, subject to the ten day objection period.</p>

	<p>Motion to allow the Rules Committee to make directory and editorial changes on the list – R. King; 2nd Motion carried unanimously</p> <p>Robert H. presented the proposed 2015-2016 Academic Calendar and pointed out that it does follow the 2014-2015 calendar, with the exception of the 12-week spring session start date. Robert also mentioned that the BCTC representatives from Faculty Council and the Rules Committee will be meeting with Dr. Box next week to discuss the calendar and the Summer start date.</p> <p>Motion to approve the 2015-2016 Academic Calendar – Hinkle; 2nd Motion carried unanimously</p> <p>Motion to move the task of generating the list of eligible Student Graduates to the ASA, Faculty Council, or other body – Hinkle; 2nd Motion withdrawn due to the item not being on the agenda for a vote</p> <p>Robert or Leon will bring the issue back to Faculty Council in April. A rationale for the motion was requested.</p>	<p>The Secretary of the Faculty will distribute the decision to faculty, subject to the ten day objection period.</p>
<p>Academic Standards & Admissions Committee Report [Robert Chirwa]</p>	<p>Robert had no report but announced that ASA will meet on Friday, March 14 and will approve the 2015-2016 Mandatory Placement Plan and make some changes to the Nursing Admissions procedure.</p>	
<p>KCTCS Senate Council Report [Angie Davis]</p>	<p>Angie announced that Senate Council met yesterday. One item that was discussed was the KCTCS Student Assessment Placement Policy Section 4.13.2.1 that deals with the placement scores. Senate Council voted to add “At the discretion of each college,” at the beginning of the sentence that says <i>Students whose placement score is within one placement domain of the minimum admission level for the desired course or program may enroll in the course or program with evidence of the completed supplemental academic support.</i> This will allow each individual college to determine the placement score for a particular test into a particular class.</p>	

	<p>Angie also announced that all BCTC courses were endorsed, except the two proposed LIT courses (LIT 240 and LIT 242). They were not endorsed because they have competencies that include library skills, but the outline did not include anything about library skills.</p>	
<p>CEO/CAO Report</p>	<p>Dr. Julian made some general comments about the budget situation. She said that our current financial situation is not sustainable and there are a lot of aspects involved in the situation. She said that we cannot continue to use our fund balance to adjust budget deficits. We have to make some changes, make some recurring cuts, find deficiencies, and look for additional sources of revenue. She noted that while she believes our financial situation will eventually improve, we still have to work hard and make some sacrifices to balance our budget now. Dr. Julian announced that she has plans to have a conversation with Dr. McCall and present him with more information from our community.</p> <p>Dr. Julian said that while the area of Academics has been very extensive in efforts to find deficiencies and make cuts, all other functional areas are also working to do the same. Palisa announced that Student Development has plans for reductions and based on conversations in LET, all VPs have plans for reductions as well.</p> <p>Dr. Hellmich recognized the ALT members that were present in the Faculty Council meeting. He mentioned that ALT has had many discussions regarding budget issues and that four ALT meetings were called solely to discuss the budget. Dr. Hellmich pointed out that we are heading toward a fiscal cliff and that ALT had come up with a plan that was written to prevent this from occurring.</p> <p>Dr. Hellmich presented the ALT plan for Academics Recurring Budget Reductions. He first went over the timeline and process.</p> <p>Dr. Hellmich then presented the possible program changes, focusing on the programs to be reviewed for possible reconfiguration or closure in the next four years. The criteria for reviewing these programs were also discussed.</p>	

Dr. Hellmich presented the possible program campus consolidations and the resulting savings from each. He also presented some possible new programs that could be offered within the next two years.

Dr. Hellmich presented, in detail, the possible reductions with recurring savings for the next four years, including staff/faculty assignments, faculty reassignments, course scheduling, and faculty workload (course caps and teaching load for full-time faculty). There was much discussion on the various aspects of the plan, with many questions from different areas of the college. These questions were addressed individually by Dr. Hellmich and/or Dr. Julian.

Beth Healander read a resolution from the Humanities division that urged the College Leadership to not increase course capacity in an effort to reduce our budget shortfall.

Motion to endorse this resolution on behalf of Faculty Council –
Healander; 2nd

There was a discussion on the origin and the rationale of this resolution.

Motion carried with 15 Yes votes and 3 No votes

Karen Gauthier presented a motion from the CHLSS division that read *We the Faculty of the CHLSS Division request that Faculty Council form a committee to examine all aspects of the BCTC budget so that we the faculty are informed of current resource allocations and therefore can better cooperate with Administration in regard to decisions on how to reallocate resources to insure we maintain our high academic standards and students services in these difficult financial times.*

Motion to endorse the above statement on behalf of Faculty Council – Gauthier; 2nd

	<p>Discussion – The rationale behind the motion was discussed. The need for a separate Faculty Council committee to address budget information was questioned and discussed. Several Faculty Council members expressed a desire to be informed of the decisions made in other functional areas of the college besides Academics.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Motion withdrawn by Gauthier</p> <p>Per a request from the Faculty Council, Dr. Julian and Dr. Hellmich agreed to be as open and transparent as possible with the faculty about budget discussions and budget decisions made within all functional areas of the college, as well as Academics.</p>	
FAHCIT Report [Robin Davis, Cindy Tucker]	Robin announced that she and Cindy are co-chairing the Faculty Ad-Hoc Committee on Information Technology. She asked for everyone to send her recommendations for committee members.	
Additions	No Additions	
Announcements	<p>Items posted for objection following the February 7, 2014 meeting passed without objection.</p> <p>The next meeting will be Friday, April 4 at 1:30pm on the Cooper Campus, Room AT 219.</p>	Meeting adjourned at 5:05pm