VVC Faculty Senate Meeting

Minutes

Thursday, March 6, 2008

Additions and Revisions to the Agenda

1. Action Items

1.1 Approval of November 1, 2007 Minutes – Y

1.2 Approval of November 6, 2007 Minutes – Y

First Reading

1.3 Computer use policy – Khalid: this is a first reading. We will change this to a Board Policy. Lisa Ellis edited in some protections, and the processes were included. IT wants some input. Khalid recommends that we accept this at the next meeting with the addition of the statement about adding unauthorized devices. Tracy Davis/Lisa Ellis MSC accept this as a first reading. Y Khalid: PlaneNet will be on campus auditing our computer use and practices and applications on campus. Look for surveys and please participate. Lisa will let us know when the focus groups are, especially for BlackBoard.

2. President's Report and Announcements

2.1 GE/SLO Development and Assessment schedule – push to get SLO’s done by end of Semester. Good graces with accreditation. Need to make significant progress before we get kicked down a level, we think. Assessment need to be included in the planning. Bob Silverman may possibly hire a dean for curriculum and a parallel committee to help the CC to get this done. Debby Blanchard said there is a possibility of a March 28 mandatory meeting for all FT faculty, making sure that all faculty have the info needed to get this done. Although adjunct are not invited, adjunct can help. Glenn Akers asked how to access the template. Non-updated classes will be de-activated. On June 8 we will be the only CC in CA with 100% SLO’s done. Ed Burg: if all are submitted, do we have to go? Debby said right now, yes. Schedule appears to be 10-12 overview; 12-2 meet with department and work – lunch at the same time. Lisa Ellis – there may be some contractual issues. Fernando Contreras asked, so if we show up, do we get paid? Yes. Debby said yes, even for subs. Leslie Hunter said that Curriculum Committee and Assessment should be involved. Debby agreed and said so should Graduation Requirements Committee. Marc Skuster said then maybe the schedule should be revised to include Grad Reqs. Assessment needs to part of the class and SLO’s. Leslie asked if we should form an ad hoc committee to help with Grad. Reqs. Maybe.

MSC Pam James/ Leslie Hunter a motion to create an ad hoc committee made up from SLAC and GRC to establish the GE SLO’s and assessments. Huiner. Y
Gary Menser gave the gavel to Debby Blanchard at 4:30.

2.2 Dave Dupree, Paralegal program. Admin is trying to cut the program. Marianne Tortorici wants to have no disclaimers or cut the program. We support Dave and the program. The program is alive. Figures exist to support Dave.

3. Executive Officer’s Branch

Vice President – Debby Blanchard

3.1 Election, Senate Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer – two nominations Lisa H for VP and Leslie for Sec’y. Can continue with Treasurer. Any nominations from the floor? No. Ballot coming soon.

3.2 Disciplines List Review

Secretary – Carol Golliher – no report

Treasurer – Jim Wilson – Money for food, please! $134.57 collected.


4. Committee Reports or Special Reports

4.1 Curriculum Committee – Richard Cerreto – meeting every Thursday. Action items only 2nd and 4th Th. Contract Ed room mostly.

4.2 Student Learning Assessment Committee – Marc Skuster – SLO planning form due with PRAISE form.

4.3 Program review – Khalid Rubayi – March 7 is the deadline. The campus reorganization may affect future of the form. Needs committee members.

4.4 Equivalency – Debby Blanchard – processing them. Getting flack from non-Master areas. Holding them to the years of experience requirement.

4.5 Senate Budget Committee – Leslie Huiner reported that the committee asked about the cuts. Marianne Tortorici will handle appeals and take them to Bruce and Bob for settling. Try to encumber as soon as possible in the future.

4.6 Grant Writing and Compliance – NEED A CHAIR

4.7 Foundation – Becky Palmer – no report.

4.8 College Council – Jim Wilson/Gary Menser ARC report – we don’t look too good. We are below where we should be on our grant usage. Parking is an issue. Silverman doesn’t care. Budget information may not include the PRAISE reports. New policies for grant proposals and interim appointment for management in the works. Reorg of depts. And admin has been done by Pres.
Silverman. Dave Hollomon handed out a draft. Discussion gave Dave ideas to take back to the committee. We hope that he can come to a meeting soon to explain. Some points may need to go through bargaining. Dave Hollomon will be representing chairs on the council in the future so that Ron Fields can go to weekly CC meetings.

4.9 Honors – Tim Adell – no report.

4.10 Graduation Requirements – Pam James – last meeting cancelled.

4.11 Online Program – Glenn Akers major concerns from committee: 1. Admin squashing online. Some anecdotes seem to suggest that it is true. 2. Worried about online computer competency. It has disappeared. 3. Full-time teachers are contacting him to get online classes. TLC training may be in the future.

4.12 Synergy Committee – Dave Hollomon – see 4.8

4.13 Grade Form revision (ad hoc committee) – Peter Allan, Marc Skuster, Mike Visser, Glenn Akers, Fernando Contreras, and Don Peavy; Mike McCracken – Revision took off the ed. code, Marc Skuster asked is there any regulation in the ed. code that requires the VP or Pres? Committee will check. AP course credit is under review. Currently based on what was acceptable at CSU-San Bernardino.

ADJOURNMENT – 5:03 P.M.