Academic Senate
Grossmont College

Minutes of the Academic Senate – October 15, 2012

X Sue Gonda (President)  X Joel Castellaw (Comm)  x Priscilla Rogers (Inter Bus)
X Jeff Lehman (VP)  Jade Solan (Comm)  x Nadra Farina-Hess (Library)
X Joel Castellaw (Senate Officer @ Large)  Roxanne Tuscany (Comm)  X Jenny VanDenEynden (Math)
X Patrice Braswell-Burris (Senate Officer @ Large)  Janet Gelb (CSIS)  X Susan Working (Math)
X Marion DeKoning (senate officer @large)  Ronald Norman (CSIS)  X Ray Funk (Math)
X Michael Lambe (P/T Senate Office large)  Kristi Kluka (Counseling)  X Dan Greenheck (Math)
X David Milroy (Div Sen ALC)  X James Canady (Counseling)  X Shawn Hicks (Math)
TBD (Div Sen CTE/WD)  Danny Martinez (Cross Cult Stud)  X Evan Wirig (Media Comm)
X, Alan Silva (Div Sen ESBS)  Joe Orate (Culinary Arts)  Jim Papageorge (Media Comm)
X Melanie Quinn (Div Sen LR)  James Foran (Culinary Arts)  Derek Cannon (Music)
X Dan Greenheer (Div Sen MEEW)  X Kathy Meyer (Dance)  Fred Benedetti (Music)
X Narges Heidari (Div Sen Stu Service)  Jane Nolan (DSPS)  Lisa Maloy (Nursing)
X Tina Young (AOJ)  X Judd Curran (Earth Sci)  X Angela Ngo (Nursing)
Lance Parr (AOJ)  X Mark Goodman (Earth Sci)  Christine Vicino (Occ Therapy)
X Jamie Gauld (ASL)  X Oralee Holder (English)  X Zoe Close (Phil/Rel Studies)
X Israel Cardona (Behav Sci)  Tony Ding (English)  X John Scholte (Phil/Rel Studies)
Sky Chafin (Behav Sci)  Adelle Schmitt (English)  X Ross Cohen (Physics)
X Maria Pak (Behav Sci)  X Michelle Barbeau (English)  X Brian Carter (Physics, Astr. Ph Sc)
X Shina Alagia (Bio Sci)  TBD (English)  X Brian Jennings (Polit Economy)
X Michael Golden (Bio Sci)  Chuck Passentino (ESL)  Todd Myers (Polit Economy)
X Michele Perchez (Bio Sci)  Nancy Herzfeld-Pipkin (ESL)  X Peggy Wells (Resp Ther)
Brian Kelliher (Bus Admin)  Barbara Loveless (ESL)  Rebecca Handley (Resp Ther)
Nate Scharff (Bus Admin)  X Michael Perez (EOPS)  X Beth Duggan (Theatre Arts)
X Linda Snider (BOT)  Sylvia Montejano (EOPS)  Craig Everett (Theatre Arts)
X Barb Gillespie (BOT)  X Beth Kelley (Exer Sci/Well)  X Paul Turoumet (Visual Arts & Humanities)
X Liz Barrow (CVT)  X Jim Symington (Exer Sci/Well)  X Malia Serrano (Visual Arts & Humanities)
TBD (CVT)  X Laura Sim (Exer Sci/Well)  Pete Schmidt (Visual Arts & Humanities)
X Cary Willard (Chemistry)  X Kathleen Aylward  Edda Temoche-Weldele (World Lang)
X Jeff Lehman (Chemistry)  X Robert Henry (History)  Virginia Young (World Lang)
X Angie Gish (Child Dev)  Devon Atchison (History)  X Yolanda E. Guerrero (World Lang)
X Claudia Flores (Child Dev)  Angela Ferres (History)  Ruth Fatima Navarro (World Lang)

GUESTS:
- Agustin Albarran, Interim Dean English, Social and Behavioral Sciences
- Barb Blanchard, VPAA
- Denise Schumleyer, Professional Development Coordinator
- Michael Reese, Dean Math, Natural Science, Exercise Science & Wellness
RECORDERS: Patrice Braswell-Burris, Sue Gonda

I. CALL TO ORDER (11:10)

A. Public Comment
B. (None)

C. Approval of Agenda
   Motion to approve the day’s agenda as amended
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D. Approval of Minutes from October 1st, 2012.
   M/S/U

II. PRESIDENT’S REPORT – Sue Gonda

- District Executive Council and District Strategic Planning & Budget Council: Alba Orr is retiring! The District is in compliance with the 50% Law (50% of budget is devoted to instruction), and we are at 52%, despite all of our unfilled faculty, staff and administrative positions. A Task Force has revamped a handbook showing the districtwide governance values and structures, and that will be coming to Senate for feedback.

- Districtwide Enrollment and Student Success Task Force: Created about 1.5 years ago to examine and re-vamp our priority list for student enrollment appointments. Students who are close to completion now get earlier registration so they can get the needed transfer & CTE courses to finish. Recommended that these students, identified as students with 45-70 units, be expanded to those with 45-90 units. This task force also considered the State’s Student Success Task Force Recommendations; implementing them will be ongoing, so the task force will be made a permanent committee.

- Grossmont Leadership Council: We are getting a new online printing program, targeted for implementation next semester. It will streamline printing requests. Sue will inquire about faculty involvement in testing/feedback. Financial Aid at Grossmont: It’s extraordinary. In 2011-2012, Grossmont College awarded $29 million in federal, state and institutional financial aid to approximately 47% of our students. $27 million (or 93%) of the funds awarded were in the form of grants or scholarships; funds that do not have to be paid back. The average amount of financial aid awarded per student was $3,080. New state legislation requires that students be in good standing to receive the State’s Board of Governors (BOG) fee waiver. [NOTE: The Student Engagement Survey data shows that a high number of students do not finish because of financial hardship, so this monumental effort is important.]

- Student Success Innovators with the Chancellor: Chancellor Miles hosted the second gathering of faculty, staff & administrators who are involved in student success programs at both campuses. The reports allowed a cross-pollination of ideas and could lead to future sharing of information, etc. Everyone present was so engaged that this 2-hour meeting went to 3 hours, and people still stayed over to exchange ideas. A website has begun to facilitate communication between program coordinators. Data for all these programs show higher retention and completion rates. [Examples: Grossmont: Umoja for African American students; Service Learning on campus – students tutoring students within the same discipline; Math Academy & English Express; First Year Experience programs (both colleges)
III. COMMITTEES- New Committee Member Approval
   A. Faculty Professional Development: Victoria Curran (ALC), Alan Silva (Part-time)
   B. Bookstore: T. Ford; Liz Barrow
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IV. ACTION ITEMS

   None

V. INFORMATION ITEMS

   A. Adjunct rank – Evan Wirig, Rank Committee
      Discussion about the proposal for Adjunct Rank recommended by the Senate Rank Committee:
      • It is not in parity with full time rank-- that part-time faculty can receive rank with no time limit toward service at GCCCD. Should all faculty start at the Assistant Professor level?
      • Can an adjunct get rank before the rehire preference?
      • Perhaps rank can take place after 8 semesters, whether or not they receive rehire preference, therefore the length of time is still commensurate with the length of time for full-time faculty to get rank
      • David Milroy: CFT, FACC and State Senate Caucus endorses the term “Part-time” vs. adjunct. This should be discussed at the Part-Time Faculty Committee
      • Should a survey go out to all Grossmont PTF asking about the term? (Survey Monkey)
      • Evan: there was a survey of dozens of Grossmont part-time faculty, the vast majority of whom preferred the term “adjunct.”
      • Should recency of service count? It does not count for full time, therefore should not for part time
      • Criteria for all rank should be easily available on the Senate website
      • The membership criteria for the Rank Committee should be evaluated: should all members of the committee have tenure and rank? (All members of a faculty’s tenure committee must have tenure)
      • Are part time faculty able to achieve the criteria? Yes, more part-time faculty than ever are serving on committees.

      These items and the proposal are referred to the Part-Time Committee for review and for recommendations to the Rank Committee.

   B. Senate Elections Committee – Jeff Lehman: Nominations for President closed

      Meeting Adjourned at 12:10 pm
      Next meeting is scheduled for October 15, 2012 at Griffin Gate 11:00-12:20pm.
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