

Faculty Senate

Meeting Minutes

11/09/09

Present: via Elluminate – Benjamin Landon, Mary Goetteman, Mike Stauffer, Patrick Roy, Gabi Booth, Patricia Burkhart, Mitch Pietras, Jennifer Maxwell, Mercedes Clement, Aggie Garrison, Kathleen Lazarus, Christina Hastie, Rachel Owens. In person – Erika Blanken, Andrea Reese, Christel Saylor, Jennifer Walsh, Shana Gartlan, Margaret Overbey, Mike Avery, Rob Saum, Victor Pareja.

- I. The meeting was called to order at 2:05 pm.
 - II. Approval of the meeting minutes from 10/12/09 was tabled until the December meeting, as many faculty did not get a chance to review them.
 - III. Treasurer's Report: There has been no activity in the FS account this month. Our balance stands at \$530. Please remember that you may pay your \$10/year voluntary dues at the Credit Union.
 - IV. Old business
 - a. The Faculty Senate's Florida Online website update (Dr. Andrea Reese): the site is created, and all faculty are enrolled. To access the site, click on the AStudent tab at the top of the page, then open the ODT area.
 - b. Board Meeting report: Jennifer Walsh represented Faculty Senate at the last Board of Trustees meeting.
- 1) Richard Tamburro was introduced as the chair of the College Experience project. He explained how it works and that there are over 1000 students that have taken part in Volusia and Flagler counties.
 - 2) Laura Phillips (Finance) stated we are \$5.8+ million in surplus. If the budget gets hit in January with 10% reduction, we will be able to absorb this loss with no loss in employment.
 - 3) Dr. Sharples estimates that the state will call for 2-5% reduction. In the spring we will hire 20 new faculty anticipating 2300+ students. Our average class size is 29 and we anticipate 18% increase enrollment in the spring.
 - 4) Lottery money funds Bright Futures. They will not be able to cover 100% tuition next year. Prepaid tuition is now \$16,000.
 - 5) The board voted and passed the purchase of items for the Sound Tech Program to be held at the News Journal Center. The course will start in January. The bid was for 185 pieces of equipment at approximately \$216,000.
 - 6) Vision Committee is focusing on space needs, land around the ATC, and parking.
 - 7) Voted and passed motion for Dr. Sharples to pursue options to purchase parcels without the need of having the board approve the purchases.
 - 8) Resolution S, apply for variance for parking to 100 acre site, close to this site. Once Mike Curb building is complete we lose 400 parking slots. They voted to apply for a variance to park on the vacant lots on White Street as temporary parking.
 - 9) Student housing proposed on the lots on White Street. Dr. Sharples had developed a working arrangement with a group that agreed to purchase the last 6 lots for \$100,000 each then donate them back to DSC. They would then build student housing on the lots. The chairperson of the

board did not want partners in the venture and it was decided not to go forward with the student housing part. They will still ask for the zoning change so we can use it for parking.

- 10) Dr. Sharples sees DSC having two main sites in the Daytona Area. Programs would be self contained on each site so that students would not need to travel between sites.
- 11) Embry Riddle – John Johnson was awarded a grant to develop a hybrid car. We will rent them a room at the ATC for \$1.00 a year. Our students would be integrated into this program.
- 12) Cosmetology fees for services was voted and approved.
- 13) Dominican Republic has \$2-3 million grant to build a community college in the Dominican Republic. Angela Falconetti is to lead the curriculum committee. The CC will open in August. Any faculty who are interested in volunteering for this venture, please contact Victor.
- 14) Tom Lobasso reports enrollment up to 17,839; up 15.4%. We have 2375 new students, an 18% increase in FTE. Flagler 1851, Deland 3376, Deltona 2123, ATC 1313, New Smyrna 1381.
- 15) Taylor Childress, Angela Falconetti, Frank Lombardo and Andrea Reese went to Vanderbilt to develop partnership with Dean of Nursing, Arts and Science, and the Honors College.
- 1) Constituents gave presentations: Jennifer Walsh spoke about the committees that are now determining their goals and objectives for the year. She mentioned that Kathleen Lazarus (Social Committee) is putting together a social event for the college that will include faculty, career employees and administrators for the purpose of promoting unity and interaction with peers. The board members asked for the date so they may support our events. Jennifer mentioned that Christel Saylor (chair of the Elections Committee) is putting together the ballot for the Tenure and Promotions Committee nominations. The ballot will reflect the new division of the college as schools. The board mentioned that Jan 30 is the Rolex Event and tickets are on sale at the speedway. They are giving away a new Rolex watch.

V. Committee Reports

- a. Social Committee (Kathleen Lazarus): Kathleen reported that the committee has been considering a social event connected to a basketball game. They had been looking at a December date. After discussion, it was moved, seconded and approved that we wait until spring semester for a social, possibly a basketball game in January.
- b. Community Service (Brianna Killian): no report.
- c. Salary and Benefits (Mercedes Clement): Mercedes reported that the committee has finalized its mission statement and goals, and will begin working on goals at their next meeting.
- d. Nominations and Awards (Christel Saylor): Christel reported that elections for the college-wide Tenure and Promotion committee are being re-done. She will email everyone shortly with details.
- e. Teaching and Learning (John Connor): Shana Gartlan reported that the committee is reading the book Brain Rules and is working on the best way to share the information in the book with all faculty. Committee members will take this proposal to CIWR first.
- f. Clean Air (Mary Goettelman): Mary reported that the committee has changed its name to the Healthy Environment committee. Its primary focus at this time will be

to identify smoking areas away from pedestrian traffic. They are also looking into sources of funding.

- g. Health and Fitness (PJ Marek & Robert Dwarika): Christina Hastie reported that the committee has compiled a survey for students at the branch campuses, to identify activity, health and/or fitness needs for each campus.
- h. Technology (Gabi Booth): Gabi reported that the committee has been discussing its goals. She will attend the college-wide Technology Committee meeting this Friday.
- i. Student Issues (Judy Valloze): no report

VI. New Business

- a. Student Evaluations (experiences from Fall A instructors): It is not known when results from the evaluations will be available. Shana Gartlan reported that there has been a 20% completion rate, and the majority of those are completed by students in 100% online classes. There is concern about the response rate in face-to-face classes. Also, the collective experience of the faculty present is that we are not getting our evaluation results in any sort of timely fashion. Shana reported that she is doing her own evaluations, in the same way that the college does the evaluations. Rob Saum stated that there have been only 400 responses from 18,000 students in Fall A. If you want feedback on your evaluations for your online classes, please email Rob.
- b. Faculty Innovation Plan: looking at faculty needs and methods of teaching. In response, the following subcommittee has been formed.
- c. Subcommittee for Technology Committee:
 - A. Faculty Innovation Subcommittee (Chair: Kimberly Alacan)
 - B. Mission: To research and evaluate faculty needs and wants in technology for future implementation via the Faculty Innovation plan.
 - C. Membership: 4 or 5 faculty members. Recruitment will be done via the Faculty Senate president and the Chair of the Subcommittee.
 - D. Goal: Identify top three faculty innovation "wants" by the end of Fall 2009 via surveys, faculty-wide communication, Faculty Senate and other avenues; begin planning, budgeting and implementation procedures.
 - E. Submit ideas to Faculty Senate for approval.
 - F. Once ideas are accepted by Faculty Senate, proceed to the Planning Council.
- d. Part of the Faculty Innovation Plan is learning about new technology that can be used in the classroom. This first meeting in which we have used Elluminate is part of that – it exposes us to this technology. More than half the attendees at this meeting were in their offices or elsewhere, online, meeting via Elluminate.

VII. The next meeting will be held Monday, December 7, at 2:00 pm.

VIII. With no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 3:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Rachel Owens
Faculty Senate Secretary