



Virginia Beach **MINUTES**

Date & Time: Sept. 24, 2020 12:30 p.m.

Location: Virtual Meeting via Zoom

Virginia Beach Senators Attending:

*Chair:* Dania Sinibaldi, Engr, Science & Math;      Lauri Lawson, Engr, Science & Math;  
*Vice Chair:* John Krenzke, Social Sciences;      Cheryl Nabati, Library;  
Melanie Basinger, Health Professions      Jared Oliverio, Computer Science and IT  
Wendy Buie, Counseling;      Amy Shay, Health Professions;  
Maureen Cahill, Arts and Humanities;      Tom Williams, Arts and Humanities.  
Chris Cartwright, Engr, Science & Math;  
Kimberly Jones, Public and Prof Services;

Senators Not in Attendance:

Sam Duncan, Arts and Humanities;      John Gallo, Engr, Science & Math;

**I. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 12:40 PM.**

**II. Review/Approval of August Minutes:** August minutes approved with corrections.

**III. New Business**

A. Communication about Covid cases

1. No communications have been received by faculty regarding Covid cases since the early announcement about the case(s) on the Chesapeake Campus.
2. Local universities are reporting numbers.
3. Karen Campbell is in charge of student cases.
4. Faculty should Request regular reports on numbers and other pertinent information regarding Covid cases.

B. Math Faculty want on-campus testing

1. Idea is to eliminate potential cheating and allow students access to cameras and other resources.
2. VB Senate disagrees with this option because of numbers and precedent. The following options were suggested:
  - a. Respondus lockdown (Math Cheats make this not as useful).
  - b. Testing Center or JUL computer classrooms for students without access
  - c. Creative testing options. For example: load more questions than will be used into the Canvas testbank, and have students write explanations as well as answer multiple-choice questions.
  - d. Discuss options with Matthew Blanchard and/or John Morea
  - e. Flip the classroom

- C. Bookstore problems
  - 1. Change of managers at the VB Bookstore left faculty without textbooks
  - 2. Bookstore not ordering enough books
  - 3. Codes for online resources not ordered on time or in large enough quantities
  - 4. Faculty were blamed for mistakes, but 3-4 weeks into the course some textbooks were not available/ordered

**IV. Chair's Report:**

- A. College-Wide Senate
  - 1. Reviewed information from the summer.
  - 2. Communication is a necessity.
  - 3. Some Deans, leads, and administrative assistants were told to create spring schedules from scratch instead of using a roll-over. This is occurring partially because of enrollment losses.
- B. Best Practices for teaching via Zoom were discussed.
  - 1. Non-traditional day
  - 2. Recording lectures
  - 3. Encourage attendance
  - 4. Pedagogy/andragogy should drive best practice
- C. 3-week winter term discussed.
- D. OIE surveys and meetings continue. Participate.

**V. Division Reports:**

- A. LRC: are on campus and online but not on Sat. or Sun. because of staffing
- B. Counseling: Enrollment data is not looking good. Enticements offered. TCC still has barriers to enrollment. Other campuses seem to be doing better than VB with helping students enroll. What are other VCCS colleges doing? Germanna is growing. NVCC is not losing enrollment at the same rate as TCC.
- C. No other reports.

**VI. Old Business:** None.

**Next College Senate Meeting – Nov.5th, 2:00 pm, Virtual Meeting via Zoom**

**Next VB Senate Meeting – Oct. 29<sup>th</sup>, 12:30 pm, Virtual Meeting via Zoom**

***Close: Meeting adjourned at 2:15(???) pm***

Respectfully submitted, Maureen Cahill, substitute secretary