



Virginia Beach **MINUTES**

Date & Time: September 30, 2021, 12:30 p.m.

Location: Virtual Meeting via Zoom

Virginia Beach Senators Attending:

<i>Chair:</i> Dania Sinibaldi, Engr, Science & Math	John Krenzke, Social Sciences
<i>Vice Chair:</i> Maureen Cahill, Arts & Humanities	Laurie Lawson, Engr, Science & Math
Jason Armstrong, Adjunct	Cheryl Nabati, Library
Melanie Basinger, Health Professions	Tiffany Putman, Counseling
Alan Holck, Adjunct	Amy Shay, Health Professions
Kimberly Jones, Public and Prof Services	Ian Springer-Woods, Arts & Humanities
John Gallo, Engr, Science & Math	

Senators Not in Attendance:

- I. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 12:30 PM.
- II. **Review/Approval of March Minutes:** April 2021 minutes were approved..
- III. **New Business:**
 - A. There are currently 4 vacant Senator positions: 1 in Business; 1 in Science, Engineering, and Mathematics; 1 in Arts and Humanities; and 1 Adjunct Faculty.
 - B. A motion was brought to the college Faculty Senate to request of the administration a faculty salary equity study. The individual campuses were asked for feedback on the motion. The Virginia Beach Faculty Senate supports the motion, with a request that supporting data be provided to support the motion before voting by the college Faculty Senate.
 - C. There was discussion about issues with the college bookstore. These include:
 - required texts were out of stock at the beginning of the semester for many courses
 - unnecessary items being recommended for purchase by students
 - limited bookstore hours do not allow reasonable in-store access for students.
 - D. The Virginia Beach Campus Senate Bylaws need to be updated to align the bylaws with the current college organizational structure. The campus Faculty Senate chair will review the bylaws and bring recommendations for changes to the Senate in the future.

- E. Some senators suggested that personally-assigned headsets should be made available for use by faculty who are teaching in-person classes for the duration of the Covid pandemic.

IV. Chair's Report

- A. College-Wide Senate met on September 2. It unanimously passed a motion to postpone the college-wide program prioritization process until spring 2022. The Vice President for Academic Affairs agreed to delay the process until October 15, 2021.
- B. VB Leadership Team has not met since last April. It is scheduled to meet on October 1.
- C. Academic Affairs Council met on September 17. Topics discussed included dual enrollment, TransferVA, and Covid.
- D. TCC Faculty Senate Executive Committee has not officially met this term.
- E. Faculty Senate are encouraged to read "This Week at TCC" newsletter.

V. Division Reports: No reports

VI. Old Business: None

Next College Senate Meeting – September 2, 2021 at 2:00 pm, Virtual Meeting via Zoom

Next VB Senate Meeting – October 28, 2021 at 12:30 pm, Virtual Meeting via Zoom

Close: The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 pm

Respectfully submitted, John Gallo, Secretary