



Virginia Beach **MINUTES**

Date & Time: January 27, 2022, 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
Melanie Basinger, Health Professions	Cheryl Nabati, Library
John Gallo, Engr, Science & Math	Amy Shay, Health Professions
Alan Holck, Adjunct	Ian Springer-Woods, Arts & Humanities

Senators Not in Attendance:

Jason Armstrong, Adjunct	Jared Oliverio, Computer Science and IT
Kimberly Jones, Public and Prof Services	Tiffany Putman, Counseling

Guest:

Michael Fischer

- I. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 12:35 PM.
- II. **Review/Approval of March Minutes:** November 2021 minutes were approved with changes.
- III. **New Business:**
 - A. There was discussion about issues currently affecting faculty. These included:
 - bookstore issues: not enough books or access codes to publisher websites in stock at the beginning of the semester and not open during scheduled hours and
 - health concerns within facilities: concerns about whether Covid mask mandate in buildings will continue and presence of mold in buildings.
- IV. **Chair's Report**
 - A. College-Wide Senate met on December 2. Topics discussed included concern over implementation of student multi-factor authentication (MFA); suggestion for active shooter, security, and safety training; faculty burnout; administration denial of Faculty Senate request for pay equity study; and barriers to enrollment.
 - B. VB Leadership Team met on December 3. Topics discussed included labs being left unlocked by cleaning staff, use of testing center, and issues with Passport classes in advising reports.

- C. Academic Affairs Council met on December 10. Topics discussed included current enrollment statistics, availability of telephonic mental health counseling for students through TimelyMD, and implementation of student MFA.
- D. TCC Faculty Senate Executive Committee discussed remote learning and safety protocols for the resumption of in-person classes.
- E. The Program Prioritization Committee met on December 3 and December 16. The meetings worked on improvements to the program prioritization rubric.

V. Pathway & Division Reports:

- A. Social Sciences and Education: The pathway dean has recently moved to a new position in the college. Faculty members are awaiting word of a replacement dean and concerned about the impact on the pathway.
- B. Health Professions: There are concerns about instructional changes and an increase in workload. Some faculty members are being asked to teach 3-week semester (mini-semester) courses and being told to hold additional advisory committee meetings more frequently than in recent years.

VI. Old Business: None

Next College Senate Meeting – February 3, 2022 at 2:00 pm, Virtual Meeting via Zoom

Next VB Senate Meeting – February 24, 2022 at 12:30 pm, Virtual Meeting via Zoom

Close: The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 pm

Respectfully submitted, John Gallo, Secretary