

Portsmouth Campus Faculty Senate Minutes

Friday, January 27 at 12:00 PM

Location: Virtual via Zoom

2022-2023 Senators

Chair, Catherine Merritt (HP/Nursing) - Chair, Kimberly Lee (SSE) - Secretary, Stephanie [Missy] Comer (Library), Staci Forgey (SM), Katina Harris-Carter (SM), Harlan [Skip] Krepcik (EMT), Derek Laws (SM), Gabrielle Penington (Counseling), Darryl Perkinson (SM/Adjunct), Calvin Scheidt (BCI), Tiffany Sledge (SSE), Matthew Woods (MT)

Attendees **denotes senator*

Catherine Merritt*, Kimberly Lee*, Staci Forgey*, Derek Laws*, Calvin Scheidt*, Matthew Woods*, Skip Krepcik*, Darryl Perkinson*, Katina Harris-Carter*, Missy Comer*, Cynthia Chester, Gabbe Pennington*

Quorum: MET

- Call to Order – Meeting called to order at 12:01 PM.
- Correction and Approval of Previous Minutes – November 18 minutes approved
- Guest Speakers – None
- Reports
 - President's Council & Academic Affairs Council – College Directory is fully automated and you can update it - Enrollment still low, but now very concerned about part-time students; related to less online course offerings, also less scholarship and grant funding available; DE selecting too many online courses - Faculty need to encourage students to fill out their FAFSA - Lab School planning is moving forward; we are parenting with PPS with pre-K and K and NSU is proposing the same, so TCC will have to rethink approach in Norfolk - CPS partnering with TCC re: IB program - TCC has applied for a Vibrant Places <https://hamptonroadscf.org/nonprofits/apply-for-a-grant/community-grants> - We are in the second cohort of a revamped Faculty Advising Program -
 - Discussion re: potential issues of number of students per faculty member and also advising out of discipline and not having enough knowledgeWTKR will be doing a news story about TCC's Community Feed in Norfolk - We are offering security training from the DHS, see below - The Science Lab in Building B is not supposed to be open and will be secured moving forward - We are continuing to move towards secure building access (swipe access) for the Portsmouth Campus - Reminder to promote TCC Care Team - There should be a security sticker on all classroom phones, if missing, contact the Help Desk - TimelyCare is now available for faculty - Heather Brown will do individual coaching with Faculty - There is money to support a few faculty in the Online Learning Consortium, contact John Morea if interested - Pay Equity Study

- update: we have preliminary data, but there needs to be a lot more work before anything can be presented to faculty, potentially for 2024-2025 academic year
- Pathway and Program Reports –
 - S&M – Science faculty being asked to perform tasks of Lab Manager, even laundry; this is a lot of additional work with no compensation
 - MT – Similar situation as the classified employee who handled the labs resigned and faculty are taking up the slack with no compensation
 - Adjunct Faculty – Scheidt has introduced himself as the adjunct rep; awareness of ChatGPT
 - Student Services –
 - Advising – no update
 - Educational Accessibility –
 - Beth and I presented for the Learning Institute on Best Practices for Organizing and Managing Accommodations in the Classroom
 - https://vccs.zoom.us/rec/play/S8vvtjF49qPmQeo_E2XFua-8VMYhZLSoass4EvtQ8cMtCBF5JeRXT2anszcoH1ai-EaXX6bjoE2rC_6_.bc_s8CTWX0VvlhLep Passcode: jc4#v!5H
 - Upcoming Webinar: Feb 16 @ 12:30 PM (Zoom) - Best Practices for Accommodating Students with Mental Health Disabilities, Registration: <https://vccs.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwrcuyhrzluHdUZCEgnq8nylFzoDq73v3gq>
 - Please be sure to log in to Accommodate and sign off on the accommodation letters, if you have not. **If a student has dropped the class, instead of signing your name, you can just type “No longer in class” so that EA will quit sending you reminders 😊** Link to Accommodate - <https://tcc-accommodate.symplicity.com/>
 - Library Services – Upcoming Webinar: Feb 9 @ 7:00 PM (Zoom) - Why Are You Lying to Me? Tips for Navigating Misinformation, Registration: <https://tcc.libcal.com/event/9997368> - Reminder of Online tutoring services: <https://libguides.tcc.edu/tutoring>
 - Other Committees/Planning Groups – no update
 - President’s Advisory Professional Council – no update
 - Center for Teaching Excellence Advisory Council – continuing to work with Badgr - there are badges for the Learning Institute (throughout the semester)
 - Campus Chair Report – (Welcome to our new Chair, Cathy Merritt) no update
 - Open Business
 - TCC Student Supply Drive – no update
 - Campus Security – We are partnering with DHS to offer security training, see This Week at TCC email from Wed, Jan 25
 - New Business
 - Dual-Enrollment - Some students are enrolled in over 20 credits and they are over extended and underprepared; faculty concern about too many asynchronous courses and should not be in compressed classes, particularly online; DE students reporting they were put in a class that they can’t be at on time; quality of DE student preparedness has seem to decline over time; Student Services has voiced concerned as well; DE students

- reporting that they choose to enroll in too many courses with the intention of withdrawing from some based on their performance
- Rivers Casino Portsmouth opening issues
 - traffic issues on opening day, but seem to be manageable
 - concern of our Security managing Casino issues
 - 3 PFS seats available
 - Send an email to Portsmouth Campus faculty to encourage PFS membership, particularly the pathways that are not addressed
 - FDEP/APPDP - A committee will be formed to update FDEP/APPDP, but no immediate movement; inconsistencies between deans and APPDP process; we need to address the lack of merit pay in TCC's FDEP which doesn't meet VCCS requirements
- Other Items – None
 - Next PFS Meeting – Friday, February 24, 2023 via Zoom
 - Adjournment – Meeting ended at 2:15 PM

Minutes recorded by Kimberly Lee, Secretary.