

College Faculty Senate Minutes

Date & Time: Thursday, March 3, 2016, 2-4:30 PM.

Senate Location: Chesapeake Campus, Student Center Big Otter Room 330.

Attending: Monica McFerrin (VB) (College Senate Chair); Rianna Amolsch (C) (Senate Chair); Bobby Rowe, Sr. (C); Jeannie Taylor (C); Judy Gill (N) (Senate Chair); Tom Ellis (N); Jim Holden (N); Lorenz Drake (P); Nancy Prather-Johnson (P); Jim Roberts (VB) (Senate Chair); Mike Adams (VB) (College Senate Secretary); Kathy Buhrer (VB); Frank Futyma (VB); Mark Greer (VB); Ellyn Hodgis (VB); Gary Noah (VB)Allison Harwell (Counseling);

Non-attending: Phyllis Gowdy (N); Thomas Siegmund (P) (**Senate Chair**); Dianne Davis-Wagner (P); Harlan Krepcik (P); Anne Mach (VB); Ruth Shumate (**Library**).

Guests Present: Richard Gill (N); Kevin Brady (C)

- I. Call to Order at 2:00 PM
- II. Approval of Minutes of February 4, 2016 as amended at 2:03 PM
 - A. Motion: To approve the minutes as amended. Motion passed.
- III. Reports of Senate Officers
 - A. (2:03 PM) Faculty Senate Chair Report, Monica McFerrin
 - 1. Fall 2016 Convocation calendar of events:

August 18 – Faculty Development Day

Campus Convocation 8:00 - 11:30 AM

College Convocation 1:30 – 4:00 PM (Roper Theater of Chesapeake)

September 9 (or 16) College Picnic VB Student Center

2. New Horizons

Request Raffle Basket items unique to the TCC community.

3. Correction to By-laws wording:

"The campus that hosts the last College Faculty Senate meeting in the Spring semester, will host the first faculty senate meeting in the following Fall semester, and the other meeting will rotate alphabetically."

- 4. Campus senates should be preparing for the annual senate elections. The newly elected are invited to attend the April meeting and should be present for the May meeting to conduct senate elections.
- 5. Online degree majors See attachment
- 6. Pathways if there is any faculty interest in involvement or participation with the upcoming pathways development, let your faculty senate chair know for updating.
- 7. Developmental Education Dr. DeMarte in meeting with VCCS Friday, March 4th, in reference to proposed implementation of multi-measures.
- B. (2:23 PM) Secretary, Mike Adams
 - 1. No report
- C. Treasurer, Judy Gill
 - 1. No report
- **D. Faculty Senate Vice Chair Reports**
 - 1. (2:23 PM)Chesapeake Campus, Rianna Amolsch
 - a. Campus completed the scheduled dialog with Dr. DeMarte.

- b. There were questions raised in reference to the ongoing discussion regarding the upcoming schedule
- c. Faculty were questioning the merits of the Guided Pathways, with there being no positive outcomes

2. (2:26 PM) Norfolk Campus, Judy Gill

- a. Senate discussion about the combining of classes across the college, particularly online classes
- b. The fundraising for the annual Thomas Moss Scholarship was opened
- c. Concern for the difference in email text sent to students regarding the College's delay in opening. See the Inclement Weather issue and Motion

3. (2:35 PM)Portsmouth, Campus, Tom Siegmund (Presented by Nancy Prather-Johnson)

- a. The Campus Provost visited the last campus senate meeting
- **b.** Main topic discussed was the need for improvement in overall communication within the College
- c. The scheduled campus mental health presentation was successful, with light attendance
- **d.** The next scheduled dialog with Dr. DeMarte is April 7th.

4. (2:37 PM) Virginia Beach Campus, Jim Roberts

- a. Sam Lamb visited with concerns with OIS/Learning Technology issues experienced
 - i. Raised the question of need for oversight for the communication with OIS/Learning Technology for work requested/completed for timely notification to ALL faculty users
- b. The campus Math faculty are disappointed with the current status of the Developmental Math program support. This issue appears to be under review to be revived for further redevelopment. (See note of Dr. DeMarte meeting with VCCS)
- c. Josh Howell presented the information referencing the "Safe Space" program.

IV. Committee and Representative Reports

A. Adjunct Committee-Mike Adams

1. Nothing to report

B. (2:49 PM) Awards Committee-Mike Adams

- **1.** To date there is one Outstanding Adjunct nomination received, and one Special Achievement Award nomination
- 2. It was noted that the College FDEP Rewards and Recognition has received more than two times the nominations over last year. It was suggested that three candidates be provided by this committee for consideration of the Outstanding Faculty Award which resulted in a motion.

MOTION

The Rewards and Recognition Committee nominate at least three outstanding faculty for the Faculty Senate Awards Committee Outstanding Faculty Award

AYE: 17 Nay: 0 Abstain: 1

C. (2:57 PM) Schedule Committee – Dick Gill

- 1. There were concerns on the issue of bumping of adjunct
- 2. Recent developments raise the concern of taking the decision making of scheduling out of the hands of those most knowledgeable in in each discipline.
- 3. The issue of the establishment of a College schedule office with annual salaries between \$200,000.00 and \$250,000.00. It was suggested that this is similar to "for profit" institutions.

D. FDEP Committee – Judy Gill

1. No report

E. Professional Development Committee – Joe Joyner

- 1. No report
- F. FSVA-Frank Futyma
 - 1. No report
- G. PAPC-Bobby Rowe, Sr.
 - 1. No report
- H. CFAC-Ellyn Hodgis
 - 1. Requested funding to attend the April 7 meeting
 - 2. It was requested that Ellyn present the TCC recommendation of removing the student evaluations from the FDEP as a data point.
- I. VCCS Professional Development Committee-Tom Geary
 - 1. No report.
- J. (3:08 PM)Reward and Recognition Kimberly Griffin
 - 1. Approximately 90 nominations have been received for 40 reward presentations.
 - 2. The selection committee is requested to submit approximately three nominees to the Faculty Senate Awards committee as candidates for the Outstanding Faculty Award
 - **3.** No further report
- K. Textbook Committee David Kiracofe
 - **1.** No report

V. Review of Old Business:

- A. (3:09 PM) Mental Health Sessions The three campus Mental Health presentations went well, and were well received. The Norfolk presentation to be held in April. Dr. Kolovani is proposing to Dr. DeMarte in reference to scheduling these presentations annually College wide
- **B.** Dean Access to Online Courses The issue of deans access to the faculty online courses has been sent to the VP of Academic Affairs for action
- **C.** Catalog Disclaimer The Faculty Senate suggestion for the catalogue disclaimer was approved for inclusion into the next college catalog
- **D. Policy 1100 Revision** The recent revision to Policy 1100 was not in compliance to the new policy, where the changed/modified material be highlighted for ease of reference

VI. Action Items:

A. (3:10 PM) Inclement Weather Notification—Judy Gill Discussed earlier

Motion - Norfolk Senate

The message sent to students when college is cancelled or has a delayed opening should only include information about time and not what classes will meet. We are required to have that information in our syllabi and the message that was sent this past delayed opening contradicted many faculty syllabi

AYE: 17 Nay: 0 Abstain: 1

B. (3:12 PM) Class Scheduling – Judy Gill (See attachment)

Motion - Norfolk Senate

We propose that the College Senate recommend this proposal (attached) for the current scheduling practice and also incorporate it into the new recommendations for SEM.

AYE: 17 Nay: 1 Abstain: 1

C. (3:41 PM) Discussion regarding the extension of an invitation to Dr. DeMarte at the beginning of each meeting

- 1. The Chesapeake Senate discussed it, both through campus wide email, where most were NOT in favor of it, and within the senate members at the meeting and they were OK with any administrator being present at the beginning of meetings where their presence was needed.
- 2. The Norfolk senate felt that the presence of administrators is intimidating to the good order and discipline of the senate conducting its business. They felt that there was a conflict when having a supervisor present when discussing college issues as they pertained to the faculty senate members.
- 3. The Portsmouth Senate is still in the data collection and discussion stages of this issue
- 4. After much discussion, this issue is tabled to be readdressed at the April meeting.

VII. Items from the Floor

A. (4:19 PM)

- 1. There was reference to the Professional Faculty Evaluation revamping, and who would the College representative since the departure of Frank Dunn.
- 2. Is there any further action available from the textbook committee in reference to the upcoming selection of new textbooks? This will be addressed and distributed later
- VIII. Next College Senate Meeting April 7, 2016. Meet and greet at 1:30pm, meeting at 2:00 PM Norfolk Campus, Location TBD.

IX. Close: The February meeting closed at 4:25 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Michael B. Adams

Secretary, College Faculty Senate