

## Portsmouth Faculty Senate December 2016 Minutes

**Date: Friday, December 16, 2016**

**Time: 12:30 p.m.**

**Location: C118**

### **Attendance:**

In attendance: Nancy Prather-Johnson, Adam Becker, Teresa Granger, Tom Siegmund, Lorenz Drake, Harlan Krepcik, Dianne Davis-Wagner

Absent: Michelle Scoggins, Nicole Walker, Rebecca Vonderharr, Olivia Reinauer, Siabhon Harris

Guests: Alicia Phillips, Robert Cooper

### **I. Call to order**

Meeting called to order by Nancy Prather-Johnson at 12:40 p.m.

### **II. Guest speakers**

Alicia Phillips, Student Center Associate Director

Robert Cooper, Coord. for Student Leadership, Involvement and Student Engagement

The guest presented information regarding the Co-Curricular Outcomes for Student Success that are in-line with the College's QEP. There was discussion of their goals of promoting student success, student enrollment and retention. Suggestions for this include increasing student's technical competence, enhancing student orientation to college and requiring SDV in the first semester.

The guest presented a proposal to include a statement regarding campus information and student involvement as a component of the College's standard syllabus. The proposal was discussed. Adam Becker mover to accept. The motion was seconded by Dianne Davis-Wagner and unanimously approved.

### **III. Minutes**

The November 2016 minutes were reviewed and approved as written.

### **IV. DeMarte Open Dialogue Discussion**

A. Nancy Prather-Johnson met with Dr. DeMarte regarding a request from the Portsmouth faculty to receive formal feedback on items that arise in the Open Dialogue. He indicated to Nancy Prather-Johnson that he is open to this as long as this format would be the acceptable/consistent across all campuses. It was noted that feedback on items often filters through to faculty via other college committees/processes.

B. Related items:

- a. Tom Siegmund noted that the role of the Faculty Senate in these meeting should include taking minutes and identifying areas that need follow-up.
- b. Should the Portsmouth Faculty Senate recommend a formal feedback process to the College Wide Faculty?

- c. Should the Portsmouth Faculty Senate move to just one Open Dialogue session per year. There was discussion of low participation in the past and the possible reasons for this. The consensus was that although this may always be the case, there may be things we could try to increase participation. Suggestions for increased participation and meaningfulness of this activity for the faculty include: scheduled and announced the session well in advance so faculty could arrange to attend; solicit items/questions for the agenda from the Senators and faculty.
- C. Nancy Prather-Johnson will work to set up a Open Dialogue with Dr. DeMarte for Spring 2017 as well getting a faculty survey from the Beach campus that's used to assess what the faculty learned and if they found the dialogue beneficial.

**V. Other**

**A. Blackboard Orientation**

With this online orientation, students may be required to complete it when they enter a Blackboard course, however, currently it is optional.

B. Meeting on Faculty Lead Pilot Project January 5 and 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017 – This meeting will involve an open dialogue on the project. All faculty are invited to attend.

C. General Education Assessment (GEA) assessing through scientific reasoning-faculty should make sure this is listed on their course syllabus. Maybe selected to send in syllabus to determine compliance with GEA.

D. Dialogue with Dr. DeMarte – invite Dr. DeMarte to the Portsmouth campus in late March after the spring break . The event would be scheduled around time the time of the college wide activity hour either on a Tuesday or Thursday. Chairperson Prather-Johnson agreed to make the necessary arrangements for this event.

E. Chairperson reported on her discussion with the Provost regarding the faculty senate's campus security goal . Provost indicated that there is no funding for additional security. Currently there is adequate lighting and telephones around campus as security measures.

F. Chair reported that the next college wide faculty meeting will be held February 2, 2017 with the Portsmouth faculty senate serving as host . The chair will request a meeting room in the student center for February meeting and also submit a request to the Provost for providing a repast for the meeting.

**VI. Next meeting**

Meeting Dates- Faculty senate members agreed to hold faculty senate meetings for the spring, 2017 semester on the second Thursdays of each month at 12:30pm. Next meeting is Thursday, February 9<sup>th</sup> at 12:30pm

**VII. Adjournment at approximately 2pm .**

**Submitted by Teresa Granger and Dianne Davis-Wagner**