

Portsmouth Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes

Date: Thursday, February 9, 2017

Time: 12:30 p.m.

Location: C205

Attendance:

In attendance: Adam Becker, Rebecca Vonderhaar, Siabhon Harris, Dianne Davis-Wagner, Olivia Reinauer, Harlan Krepcik, Teresa Granger, Tom Siegmund, Nancy Prather-Johnson

Absent: Lorenz Drake

I. Call to order

Called to order at 12:35 p.m.

II. Guest Speakers

Dr. Michelle Woodhouse, Provost, Portsmouth Campus

Updates on Portsmouth Campus, Q&A with Senators. Topics discussed included:

- Enrollment and budget
- QEP, responses to SACS visit
- FACA (Financial Aid Course Audit)
- Possible changes in federal education, immigration policies – effects on students and higher education
- Advising and financial aid assistance for students
- Digital marketing strategy
- Security
- Attendance at professional development events
- Classroom technology issues

III. Minutes

December 2016 Meeting Minutes were approved with corrections

V. Open business

- A. Dialogue with Dr. DeMarte will be held March 16, 2017 from 12:30-2 p.m. in the Batten Lab (B204), Portsmouth Campus
 - a. Olivia Reinauer will record any items requiring follow-up
 - b. Nancy Prather-Johnson will e-mail faculty; all senators can advertise via word of mouth
 - c. Please provide Nancy with questions for Dr. DeMarte
- B. Faculty Leads Pilot Update - The next meeting is February 10; they are currently reviewing programs and program outcomes
- C. Student evaluations – Faculty Senate has a committee working to revise the evaluation questions. Faculty Professional Development Committee is reexamining the collection method; considering returning to an electronic format

- D. Remember to ensure that nothing is scheduled during the campus-wide activity hour, Tuesdays 12:30-1:30 p.m.

V. New business

- A. New Counselor representative is needed. Nicole Walker has taken the position of Interim Student Center Director, Portsmouth Campus
- B. Feedback for College-Wide Faculty Senate
 - a. Textbook Policy Draft: Suggestion to add wording for adjuncts to recommend textbooks when there are no full-time faculty in the discipline; Code of Virginia has been revised – Textbook Policy draft should reflect new heading
 - b. Enrollment Caps: Concerns about determining by discipline, online courses
 - c. QM certification for programs: Recommendation to table it for the time being due to budgetary constraints
- C. Authentic Assessment Tool
 - a. Recommendation to revise the form to give it a cleaner, simpler appearance
 - b. Confusion about whether or not assessors actually see the submissions; they do not
 - c. Faculty should attend rubric update meetings if they are dissatisfied with current versions. Suggestion to offer more than one revision meeting and to consider an online feedback option

VI. Other

May 10 & 11 is the Learning Institute. Sharon Morrissey will discuss Guided Pathways at the state (VCCS) level.

Next CWFS Meeting is March 2 at the Virginia Beach Campus

VII. Next meeting – Thursday, March 16 at 2:00 p.m., B204

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned 2:40 p.m.

Submitted by Olivia Reinauer