

ACADEMIC SENATE MINUTES

DATE: September 11, 2014

PRESENT: Tom Dell Patricia Vettel-Becker
A.J. Otjen Cindy Dell
Susan Gilbertz James Barron
Debra Johnson Paul Pope
Bruce Brumley Francisco Saldivar
C. Shearer-Cremean (ex-officio) Barbara Wheeling (ex-officio)
Mark Pagano (ex-officio) Matt Redinger (ex-officio)

ABSENT: Kelly Shumway* Diane Duin (ex-officio)*
Mary Susan Fishbaugh (ex-officio)* Rita Kratky (ex-officio)
Terrie Iverson (ex-officio) Joe Oravec (ex-officio)
* *excused*

GUESTS: Cheri Johannes Mark Nook

PRESIDING: Bruce Brumley, Chair

The student success committee will get rolling soon, with student, faculty, and staff representatives.

The Board of Regents meet on our campus next week, for the first time since we lost most of the Student Union, so the meeting is being held at City College. Directly after the BOR meeting, we go right into the Not in Our State Summit on sex assault.

A question was raised regarding new student affairs staff being hired. Dr. Nook responded that we've actually held a couple of positions open and redistributed those duties to existing staff.

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IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Brumley attended the first UCC meeting and thanked them for their service on such an important committee. He advised them about the possibly large influx of proposals with program changes reflecting the six freed credits from Gen Ed. He also reminded the Committee to make sure other departments are being consulted to discover changes affecting other programs and faculty. He emphasized that those departments do not approve, but have to be made aware. He also emphasized the importance of checking CCN issues, and making sure that budget information is included in the proposals.

The issue of whether the Senate should receive items approved by the UCC as information items or action items was discussed. The Senate agreed that it will continue to receive UCC approved items as information items, and if questions are raised, the policy will be to return items to the UCC for further discussion.

V. ELECTION OF CHAIR ELECT

⇒ Motion carried.

Item 9 New Degree Award Categories for Certificates under 30 credits: Certificate of Completion (9-16 credits) and Certificate of Technical Studies (16-29 credits). For information.

⇒ Motion by Cindy Dell, seconded by Paul Pope to **accept Item 9 for information.**

It was noted that these new categories come from the Commissioner of Higher Education. They are being created because of the SWAMMEI grant, to fashion stackable credit programs that are less than 30 credits. Cheri Johannes, Registrar, noted that we cannot currently transcript anything below a Certificate of Applied Science, so these new

It was noted that the Academic Computing & Allied Technology Committee has not met for many years. The Senate needs to evaluate the need for that committee.

⇒ Motion carried.

⇒ Motion by Cindy Dell, seconded by Susan Gilbertz to **waive second reading of Item 13.**

⇒ Motion carried.

VIII. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

A. Everfi/Alcohol Edu for College and Haven – Mandatory Training for All MSUB Students

Guest: Kathy Kotecki, Interim Dean of Students

Ms. Kotecki was unexpectedly unable to attend today's meeting. Dr. Johannes noted that students who have not completed the online training will be held from registering for Spring. However, they are making every effort to communicate the importance of this University System mandated training so students will not be held up in their plan of study. Students who may have taken the training at another institution will have the ability to opt out, but it will be handled case by case. Ms. Kotecki will be rescheduled to a future meeting.

B. COMPASS Exam Resolution from Senate

The Academic Senate does not support or endorse the use of the COMPASS exam as a challenge exam for credit. The COMPASS exam should only b72(t)JTJ uD 1b 0 Twua8(g)11.9(f)5().3e 0 Tw -20(e)43(e)402(t)-12w2m1mCu2(r)3(.

It was cited that right now, the English Department has a cheap and fast way for students to challenge their courses. If we decide the students must take a course, that's going to mean additional faculty need in the Department.

Chancellor Nook noted that it would be a good idea to get so who are testing out of WRIT 101. Do they really struggle in not take WRIT 101?

It was also noted that if students test out students in the course and receive the FT the course because it's built into their lo do not count the FTE, it's going to make