Faculty Senate Meeting  
Meeting minutes, March 28, 2013  
3:00pm Monks Room

Meeting Agenda:

1. Call to Order  
   a. President George Fitch called the meeting to order at 3:00pm.

2. New Business Items  
   a. Agenda accepted  
   b. Meeting minutes (2/28/13) unanimously approved.

3. Coordinators Website Access Proposal  
   a. Proposal submitted for discussion by Faculty Senate  
   b. Motion made to approve, motion seconded, then opened for discussion  
      i. Timely technical assistance needed for coordinators to put up, manage, etc. websites  
      ii. Repeated reports of not having necessary IT support and being asked to wait a year (or more)  
      iii. Help needed to expedite the process. Should be some accountability on turn-around time.  
      iv. Coordinators need Marketing area to be more responsive  
      v. Suggestion made to invite Josh Martin to meet with Coordinators’ Council  
      vi. Would like a branding template provided to Coordinators to enable them to manage their programs’ websites  
   c. Friendly amendment made to modify language of initial proposal.
   d. Amended proposal approved unanimously.
   e. NEASC concern – very poor website presence, obsolete information, etc.
   f. Request for Faculty Senate Executive Committee to bring Faculty Senate proposal to President Carberry.

4. Faculty and Professional Staff Conference update  
   a. Theme is persistence  
   b. Call for proposals sent out to Faculty, Professional Staff and Administrators  
   c. Registration information to be sent out  
      i. Will have option to register online and pay by credit card
5. Governance status of new Curriculum Approval Process
   a. Faculty Senate officers to meet with VP Pat Toney and Division Deans to discuss taking curriculum out of the Division meetings and other matters. Removal of curriculum from this step in the process could significantly shorten the approval/implementation process.
   b. This new curriculum approval process could become a Governance test case.
   c.Name, “Divisions,” is divisive and will change to “Schools” in Fall 2013.

6. The Faculty Senate is a Governance Committee. As such, no other College meeting on campus, including “Division meetings” can bump the Faculty Senate’s meeting time slot. In the future, Division meetings (Schools meetings) cannot be scheduled for the fourth Thursday of the month.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:58 pm.

Next Faculty Senate meeting: Thursday, April 25 at 2:00pm in the Monks Room

Save the Dates:
   Faculty and Professional Staff Conference/Retreat
   May 16-17
   Red Jacket Beach Resort