

Faculty Senate Meeting

Meeting minutes, February 27, 2014

2:00 PM Room 107A

Meeting Agenda:

1. Call to Order
 - a. Meeting was called to order at 2:05pm.
2. New Business Items
 - a. Agenda accepted
 - b. Meeting minutes (1/23/14) unanimously approved.
3. New Social Media Policy
 - Faculty Senate reviewed and revised Social Media Policy and Procedures (6/23/04) template in April 2013. Amended template was forwarded first to the Steering Committee and then to the Forum, where it was voted on and passed. It then went to the President's Executive Team.
 - A second Social Media Policy was drafted in October 2013, (unclear by whom), and was forwarded to the Steering Committee. At this time, with two different proposed Social Media policies being forwarded to the Steering Committee, it became clear that the tracking of documents passing through governance needed improvement.
 - K. Dwyer was given the task of drawing up 1 comprehensive Social Media Policy by the President's Executive Team.
 - K. Dwyer wrote up a 14-page policy and then met with G. Fitch. Ken and George will work together on this document and then bring their completed draft to the Faculty Senate for review and revision.
4. Revised Student Voting Policy
 - Brought forward by Student Senate Representatives
 - Revised policy: "All students in attendance at governance forums shall be included in quorum numbers and shall have equivalent voting as all faculty, staff, and administration in attendance at the forum."
 - Discussion: L. Grochowalski spoke against proposed revision at the Learning Council based on information provided by the AAUP. A realistic compromise to increase presence of students in governance could be looked if nursing accreditation requires this.
 - Motion made to reject Revised Student Voting Policy. Motion seconded and passed unanimously.
5. Children on Campus Policy
 - Motion made to amend proposed policy to include: "Children may be allowed in the Learning Centers only with prior approval of the Learning Managers and not on a reoccurring basis."

- Motion seconded and passed unanimously.
6. Bullying Policy vs. Mutual Expectations Document
- Bullying Policy is unenforceable (per lawyers) and Student Code of Conduct contract is what should be referred to.
 - Steering Committee said Mutual Expectations Document has already been agreed to and has asked Faculty Senate to replace Bullying Policy with Mutual Expectations Document.
 - Motion made to bring this discussion to a Forum. Motion seconded and passed unanimously.
7. Governance status of curriculum approval process
Proposal to take curriculum out of the Division/School meetings and to have 1 combined School(s) meeting each semester seems to have stalled. E. Mania offered to look into this.
8. Faculty and Professional Staff Conference update
Dates are May 15 and 16. This year's theme is "Retention." Please respond to call for proposals.
9. New Business
- Campus Safety Committee
 - M. Martin reported that this committee has proposed the arming of campus police with certain restrictions.
 - Board of Higher Ed has come up with a list of 20 safety recommendations. #1 on the list is Support Services and #20 on the list is arming campus police.
 - An EAP plan for students and their families, similar to that for state employees, has been proposed.
 - The All College Forum on Tuesday, March 4 will have a discussion and Q&A on this topic.
 - Safety Committee recommendations to move forward to the QCC Board of Trustees. (This committee was set up by President Carberry under the directive of the QCC Board of Trustees.)
 - Elections of Faculty Senate officers to be held in April.
 - President G. Fitch appointed M. Wong as Chair of the Nominations and Election Committee.
 - M. Wong will send an email to all Full Time faculty detailing offices and responsibilities.
10. Meeting adjourned at 2:57pm.

Our next Faculty Senate meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, March 27 at 2:00pm in Room 107A.**