

Academic Senate
April 29, 2014
Brockmann Center Conference Room
1:00 p.m.

Members Present – Steven Don, Darlene Bricker, Katherine Williams, Lorren Schlotfeldt, Mary Pappas, Larry Strizich, Provost Rugg, Jamie Underwood, Carol Reifschneider, Lanny Wilke

Guests –

Call to Order - Steve made the call to order to begin the meeting.

Minutes – Carol made a motion to approve the meeting minutes on 04/08/14, Jamie second the motion. All approved.

Provost Updates – the BOR will be here the end of May – they will be giving the final stamp of approval for promotion and tenure. We are currently searching for a Director of Nursing – we are using a head hunter firm to hire as past searches have failed. He is taking another look at program prioritization and looking to repackage the secondary education program which will be in place Fall 2016. The Provost congratulated COTS for SkillsUSA, TekNoXpo, and the student taco feed.

Chancellor Updates –

External Committee Reports –

- a. UAC – 2nd Thursday of each month. Carol attended this meeting. The committee is being dissolved and the Chancellor will be coming up with a new committee.
- b. Academic Council – 2nd & 4th Thursday of each month – there were discussions in the meeting, but no action items.
- c. Chancellor's Council – 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month – no report.
Assessment Committee – occurs every 2 weeks on Friday's – no report. This committee hasn't met, but everyone needs to work on SLAP's.

Senate Committee Reports – need to have recorders and chairs for each sub-committee.

- a. Admissions & Standards – Chair: Bill Danley; Recorder: Alisha Schroeder –
There is nothing out of the ordinary. The senate requested that Provost Rugg send out a memo to all faculty regarding issues with classes that run half semesters.
- b. Cultural Development – no report
- c. Curriculum – Chair: Byron Ophus – no report
- d. Financial Aid – Chair: Darlene Bricker; Recorder: Barbara Zuck – no report
- e. General Education – Chair: Jeremy Siemens; Recorder: Jennifer Anderson – no report
- f. Graduate Council – no report

- g. Instruction, Research, and Faculty Development – Chair: Larry Strizich – no report
- h. Instructional Technology – no report
- i. Library – Recorder: Val Hickman – no report

Proposals –

- a. Proposal #13-09 – this proposal was withdrawn by the Lanny Wilke and the business department. It will be resubmitted in the fall.
- b. Proposal #13-18 – Jamie made a motion to approve this proposal, Lanny 2nd the motion. All approved.
- c. Proposal #13-19 – this proposal is currently at the general education committee.
- d. Proposal #13-20 - Carol made a motion to approve this proposal, Jamie 2nd the motion. There was discussion, all approved.
- e. Proposal #13-21 - Jamie made a motion to approve this proposal, Lanny 2nd the motion to change title. There was discussion, all approved.

Old Business –

- a. Performance Based Funding –

New Business –

- a. BOR – the next meeting will be in Havre May 22nd and 23rd.
- b. Syllabi framework – we will address this issue in the fall.
- c. Faculty involvement in student orientation – there will be an orientation advisory committee – Lorren and Jamie volunteered to be on this committee. An orientation intern has been hired.
- d. Proposal to Revise Faculty Senate’s section 9 – Darlene Sellers explained the changes in the proposal and would like to have it parallel to undergraduate committee. The changes are being made to graduate council – this will need to go to full faculty vote. Steven would like to go over senate by-laws over the summer and put a vote to faculty in the fall.

Announcements –

Adjournment – Meeting was adjourned at 1:47pm by President, Steven Don.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Lourdes N. Caven.