

CALL TO ORDER

President Moore called College Council to session at 2:05 p.m. in B-204/210.

ATTENDEES

Council Members Present: Mary-Rita Moore, Humberto Espino, Michael Flaherty, Jasmine Garcia, Michael Henson, Lakedra Love, James Malarski, Hilary Meyer, Ty Perkins, Purva Rushi, Kurian Tharakunnel, Shelley Tiwari.

Council Members Absent: Susan Rohde.

Others Present: Susan Campos, Kayla Gagliardi, Jodi Koslow Martin, Lauren Kosrow, Brenda Jones Watkins, Mary Wink.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dr. Flaherty made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 21, 2022 College Council meeting, seconded by Dr. Tharakunnel. The motion carried unanimously.

HOT TOPICS

None.

OPERATIONAL ASSEMBLY

Dr. Tharakunnel reported that the group met on March 14 and provided the following highlights. Academic Affairs reported that Continuing Education and Health Careers together held the annual Mota Sonography Day on February 26. There were 260 participants and five \$500 scholarships awarded at the event. Academic Affairs also reported that a new Director of Dual Credit has been hired. Student Affairs reported that Financial Aid has made changes to the Trustee Honors Scholarship, with selection now to be determined from data on student applications. Financial Aid also started offering online advising through Blackboard. Veterans Week is coming up March 21 -24, Admissions is hosting a Campus Visit Day on March 24, and the Graduation Fair for students graduating in May will be held on March 29 and 30.

Technology reported on several ongoing projects including the following. To comply with the amended Mental Health Early Action on Campus Act that goes into effect in June, student photo ID card language is being updated to include local and national suicide hotline contact information. Blackboard migration to Blackboard Ultra has begun and is expected to be in place by July. Phone system replacement is underway and will include new voicemail, call center software, user software, and redundant controllers. The target changeover date is the first weekend in June. A wait-listing option will be live for select courses/sections for Fall registration. Diversity reported that the Kaleidoscope Group will be providing three DEI workshops as part of Classified and Mid-Management In-Services on March 18. Research reported that two new reports are available on the portal: Course Success Report for Fall 2021 and the 10th Day Detail Report for Spring 2022. The 2021 Fact Book is also available on the Triton website.

President Moore commented that Mike Garrity will attend the April College Council meeting to talk about the phone system enhancements and what needs to be done to prepare for the upgrade.

President Moore announced that the Spring Honors Social will be held in person this year on April 26, and she looks forward to celebrating with our students.

ACADEMIC SENATE

Dr. Flaherty reported the following highlights from the March 8 Senate meeting. Curriculum approved RHT 090 as the only college readiness rhetoric course that will be offered, in compliance with state law regarding developmental education. This replaces RHT 098 and RHT 099 and based on the placement test, students will either be placed into RHT 090 or RHT 101 plus a co-requisite. Curriculum also reported on Watermark, indicating that the catalog is complete and they are currently working on a new curriculum management module. Academic & Scholastic Standards is currently researching a Forgiveness Policy for students to get a “clean slate” when they have been out of high school for a certain time period. Student Development is creating student focus groups to determine if students feel welcome and cared for. Academic Support is working with Christina Hunt on CRM Advise. Campus Quality is looking at ways to improve club policies. The Green Campus subcommittee held a tree festival and sent out packages of flower seeds. Professional Development opened up nominations for outstanding faculty to students, and as a result, received 115 nominations. Assessment is preparing for Learning Improvement Week April 15-22, with a theme of *Making Assessment Meaningful*. Online Ed and Technology reported last month about their recommendation about hybrid classes, noting that most of the proposal language was accepted with only minor changes.

STUDENT SUCCESS

Guided Pathways Pillar 1 Update – Ms. Tiwari along with Workgroup Co-Leader Kayla Gagliardi provided an update on Guided Pathways Pillar 1 – *Clarify the Path* – as follows. Year three goals accomplished under Pillar 1 include: completion of all program maps, finalization of the new catalog and map webpage, streamlining the communication process from curriculum approval through implementation, designing and scheduling faculty training on mapping, and institutionalizing processes, principles, and framework. Faculty training included three workshops in the CTE which were recorded for future review. It was determined to not pursue part-time mapping because of the many different scenarios. Instead, it is emphasized that students meet with their academic advisor to develop their own personal map. The student view of the Academic Planning tool in the portal was shown with courses and credit hours plugged into semesters so a student can clearly see their path. The future for Guided Pathways Pillar 1 includes the continuation of curricular changes being faculty driven through the curriculum committee, monthly meetings to address any maintenance issues for maps, and ideally support staff assigned in the future to maintain program maps, follow up on Curriculum Form pending action items, and maintain the accuracy of the Areas of Study page.

Student Testimonial Video – Ms. Tiwari shared a student testimonial video on Guided

Pathways with Council. Comment was made that the testimonials share the experience of students who are involved and engaged, not those of every student, and more of a variety of testimonials would be more reflective of the student experience. The need of making more students aware of resources available was discussed, and faculty mentioned various ways of sharing this information. This included having resources listed on course syllabi, going over resources in class, having tours of different resource areas, showing the video or snippets of a video in class, and having scavenger hunts that highlight resources.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of College Council is scheduled on April 18, 2022 from 2 to 4 p.m.

OTHER

College Council Membership – President Moore commented that this is the last day for anyone to express interest in the Hourly or Adjunct representative positions. The Mid-Management rep position has now become vacant with Ms. Osmani leaving the college. She served more than half her term, so there will be an appointment made for her replacement, hopefully by the April Council meeting.

Summer Registration – Registration for the summer has begun, Faculty and staff were asked to encourage early registration.

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Flaherty made a motion, seconded by Ms. Meyer, to adjourn the meeting. College Council was adjourned at 3:01 p.m.

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