



May 17, 2007

PRESENT: S. Batista-Provost, D. Baxter, I. Benz, P. Bishop, C. Boettrich, S. Cable (Vice-President), B. Connell, B. Dery, K. Eirich, S. ElRayess, S. Fess, S. Forsyth, M. Fugate, E. Grissing, R. Hamell, K. Huggins, N. Karolinski, R. Kennedy, P. Keyes, D. Leach, A. Leopard, J. McKenna, S. Murphy, J. Nelson, S. Olaode, P. Peterson, H. Pierre-Philippe, D. Shaw, D. Smith, B. Smithgall, A. Striegel, J. Thompson, M. Timmons, T. Tugel (President), P. Wakem, S. Weider, C. Wendtland, S. Wexler, H. Wheeler (Secretary), W. Willard, W. Yanklowski

ABSENT: R. DeFelice, M. Ewanechko, A. John, D. McConkey, D. Mueller, V. Toth, H. Wynn-Preishe,

GUESTS: V. Avalone, K. Collins, B. Connolly, T. Keyes, T. Schichler, L. Silvers.

I. Meeting called to order: 3:35 p.m

II. Guests

A. Diane Cecero, General Counsel – Ad Hoc Committee Report on SCAA’s Role in Administrative Affairs

1. The committee reached the conclusion that the administration believes the role of SCAA has become more vague overtime and that it has become less clear when the administration was required to go to SCAA. The committee felt it was to make suggestions to clarify the Senate bylaws and resolutions not to re-write them. Accordingly, they recommended a flow chart/protocol as to when SCAA should be consulted regarding hiring, promotion, and the creation and re-definition of administrative offices and departments. They agreed that SCAA has a long history of involvement that the administration needs to recognize.

2. Discussion followed:

- a. A question was asked about keeping confidentiality in the promotion process. Diane indicated that that refers to situations such as when a person stays in the same job but has a title change from Assistant Vice President to Associate Vice President. The committee concluded that there is always room for feedback, but that no open hearing or interview is required in this situation.
- b. Terri indicated recommendations made by the ad hoc committee have been accepted by the Executive Committee and President Flynn. Any committee recommendations that require changes in the Senate’s bylaws or resolutions would require a senate vote.

B. Guest: Louis Silvers, FCCC representative—FCCC update from spring plenary meeting

1. Last month’s plenary meeting did not include any substantive discussion for resolutions. The January 1st change in governor means it is likely changes are forthcoming including in the SUNY Board of Trustees. Manuel Rivera is now Deputy of Education at the State Level, and the Chancellor Ryan has announced he is leaving. A new Chancellor will be named when the search is concluded. The Provost is also relatively new. Milton Johnson from FLCC has been elected to serve as the FCCC President beginning in the fall. Louis’

term has ended, and Margaret Murphy will take over as MCC's representative to the FCCC in the fall.

2. Changes in the air we might be hearing about include a new initiative from the Governor regarding the formation of a commission on higher education to study how to take public education from good to great, a system for affordable tuition, and a benchmark system to compare NYS colleges to other state (?) colleges. Rivera has expressed that he'd like faculty to sit on this commission. If SUNY (This doesn't make sense...) is on the Commission, they are interested in pursuing issues related to challenges in public education including a lack of investments, access, faculty recruitment and retention, workforce development, and the need to put finances in order.
3. The FCCC's main issue continues to be getting an FCCC representative on the SUNY Board of Trustees; there is a non-voting representative from the university senate on the Board of Trustees, but a proposal for President of the FCCC to be a non voting member has been turned down more than once. Lobbying is currently taking place, but the legislature has to approve it. Some say that because community colleges are considered county employees a FCCC rep has not been appointed to the Board. The bylaws of the FCCC indicate we are a SUNY advisory panel.

III. Announcements: T. Tugel

- A. Terri thanked Louis Silvers for his dedication and active involvement in the FCCC on behalf of MCC.
- B. The ad hoc committee asked to address DCC faculty concerns has been formed. Tony Ciazza, Julie Damerall, Mary Ann Marino, Teresa Miller, Ann Penwarden, Christine Pulmari, Scott Rudd and Janet Waasdorp have been asked to serve. The EC has asked the committee to identify specific challenges the Damon City Campus faces in meeting the College's mission and to make recommendations for addressing these. A preliminary report is expected in the fall.
- C. The EC received a tremendous response from people interesting in serving on the ad hoc committee examining academic probation/suspension/advisement. The committee will be formed soon.
- D. Terri indicated that when forming ad hoc committees, the EC looks at trying to create a balance when possible between teaching and non teaching faculty, representation from different departments and areas, experience level, Senators who wanted to get involved, and newer people not previously involved in senate activities.

IV. Approval of Minutes: Minutes from the April 19, 2007 meeting were approved as written.

V. Standing Committee Reports

Academic Policies Committee -- E.Grissing

The committee is considering issues regarding pre-requisite enforcement.

Curriculum – A. Leopard

The Curriculum Committee has given final approval to the following:

Eight Course Deactivations:

- CD23S PPE 273 Therapeutic Athletic Fitness
- CD24S PPE 265 Administration of Sports Fitness
- CD26S PEC 147 Personal Defense
- CD 27S HED 120 Emergency Assistance Certification
- CD28S MAS 101 Massage Therapy I
- CD29S MAS 103 Massage Therapy III
- CD30S MAS 104 Massage Therapy IV
- CD31S MAS 102 Massage Therapy II
- CD32S MUS 107 Orchestra

Twenty-Four Course Revisions:

CR44S ENR 151 Engineering Computing I
CR45S ENR 154 Engineering Computing II
CR47S ENR 251 Statics
CR48S ENR 252 Dynamics
CR49S ENR 253 Circuit Analysis I
CR50S ENR 254 Circuit Analysis II
CR51S ENR 256 Mechanics of Materials
CR52S ENR 258 Thermodynamics
CR55S PHY 120 Physics for Non-Majors Laboratory
CR56S PHY 141 Radiographic Physics
CR57S PHY 146 College Physics II
CR58S PHY 155 General Physics II
CR59S PHY 100 Preparatory Physics
CR60S PHY 131 Applied Physics I
CR61S PHY 132 Applied Physics II
CR62S PHY 145 College Physics I
CR63S PHY 154 General Physics I
CR64S PHY 161 University Physics I
CR65S PHY 251 University Physics II
CR66S PHY 252 Modern Physics
CR69S OFT 258 Legal Studies II
CR70S PSY 150 Psychology of Human Sexuality
CR72S ART 215 Three Dimensional Design
CR73S MUS 106 Concert Band

Two New Courses:

NC8S LDS 202 Leadership and Decision Making
NC9S LDS 204 Leadership in the Local and Global Community

The Curriculum Committee has posted through 5/23/2007:

One Course Deactivation:

CD25S Psychomotor Aspects of Development

Nine Course Revisions:

CR1S MUS 125 Guitar Class II
CR3S MUS 132 Percussion Class
CR8S MUS 190 Music Rehearsal and Performance
CR9S MUS 221 Voice Class II
CR12S MUS 121 Voice
CR13S MUS 120 Jazz in American Society
CR17S MUS 106 Concert Band
CR87 S GEO 201 Invertebrate Paleontology

CR27 S REA 101 College Literacy and Reading

The proposal is asking to change the credit given for REA 101 from 3 General Elective credits to 3 credits of Liberal Arts, Humanities in order to increase the number of students electing to take the course. The Liberal Arts Division did not support this change. Two open hearings were held, one at Damon on Monday May 14 at noon and one at Brighton on Wednesday May 16 at noon. Unless the proposal is withdrawn or the concerns of the Liberal Arts Division are resolved, the proposal will come to the full Faculty Senate for vote at the June 14 Faculty Senate meeting. Full senate vote is required by the Curriculum Resolutions for course proposals receiving comments during Curriculum Committee review or the Posting Period that cannot be resolved. The proposal and

postings can be viewed in the curriculum database. A. Leopard will forward a summary of the Curriculum Committee's review and recommendation to senators after the Curriculum Committee meets on May 24. Senators are urged to read this material, discuss it with your constituents, and come prepared to vote on this proposal at the June 14 meeting.

Terri indicated that the vote could potentially be close, so it's important to read through the posting and provided material and share that information with constituents, so Senators can vote in an educated manner.

NEG - S. Murphy

Election update: Terri Tugel was re-elected as President, Holly Wheeler was elected as Vice-President, and Sue Murphy was elected as Secretary. Margaret Murphy was elected as the FCCC representative. The only contested Senate seat is in Math. The EC will be confirming the rest of Senators at the next EC meeting.

SCAA -- S. Forsyth

A change to Resolution 5.2.5 was presented which will be voted on at the June meeting:

Current Resolution: The Committee will conduct balloting by Division members. Besides listing candidates, the ballots will allow members of the Division to indicate preference for an outside search.

Proposed Change: The Committee will conduct balloting by Division members. Besides listing candidates, the ballots will allow members of the Division to indicate a preference for "none of the above".

Rationale: This proposal is consistent with the wording for balloting for Department chairs.

After SCAA decided on the names to send forward for the Liberal Arts Dean, Sue met with Janet to provide their recommendations.

Planning – B. Connell

No report

Professional Development – J. Thompson

The Hanson Award for Teaching Excellence was awarded to Dr. Saroj Viswanathan and the MCC Award for Professional Service was awarded to Val Avalone.

A professional development workshop will be held Thursday May 31 in Monroe A and B from 1:00-2:30. Lee Struble will be presenting MCC's response system and plan for on campus emergencies.

VI. Old Business

A. None

VII. New Business

A. All faculty college meeting is in June. Terri reminded Senators to inform their constituents.

Meeting adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Terri Tugel Holly Wheeler
President Secretary

Minutes approved at the June 14, 2007 Faculty Senate meeting.