



Faculty Senate Meeting March 28, 2013

PRESENT: C. Abbott (President), K. Aquila, R. Babcock, A. Bauer, D. Burke, K. Chin, T. Conte, J. Cottrell, K. Doyle, B. Edelbach, P. Emerick, S. Farrington, K. Mooney-Graves, E. Grissing, M. Heel, J. Mahar, S. McCormack, J. McPhee, M. Meyer, M. Ofsowitz, J. Oriel, P. Ornt, P. Peterson, E. Pierce, H. Pierre-Philippe, E. Putnam, M. Redlo, J. Santos, P. Sarantis, T. Schichler, D. Shaw, J. Smith, H. Williams, A. Wilson, M. Witz

ABSENT: J. Case, N. Christensen, B. Ellis, M. Ernsthause, G. Fazekas, M. Fine, D. Hennenberg, M. Kachaluba, J. Kucich, E. Lanzafame, D. Navarro, D. Olaode, M. Oliver, C. Silvio, H. Wynn-Preishe

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES: K. Savarese, S. Jobson

GUESTS: D. Blackburn, D. Cecero, C. Downing, K. Knutowicz, D. Moore, H. Murphy, D. Pasto-Ziobro, T. Vinci

Meeting called to order: 3:31 p.m.

1. Academic Leadership: Stan Knutowicz, proposal for arming Peace Officers full time

Stan Knutowicz explained that under the current policy, MCC's Peace Officers are armed only part-time. They are authorized to carry their weapons outside or in the residence halls and upon entering the building, they must secure their weapons either in a lock box in their car trunk or in the department office (Room 9-150). When there is a call for assistance on campus, depending on the reported incident, peace officers must return to their car or the office to retrieve their gun to respond to the call. This increases response time significantly. As Vice President of CSEA and a MCC Peace Officer, he feels that this current policy creates an unsafe working environment where MCC's Peace Officers are not equipped with the proper tools to protect employees, students and visitors.

S. Knutowicz met with President Kress and other campus leaders to propose that MCC's Peace Officers be armed full time. He clarified that only sworn officers that have been through the police academy would be armed, which would not include the security personnel seen around campus in gray shirts. President Kress had requested that he research the policies at other SUNY/CUNY schools as well as give a summary of the training required for MCC's Peace Officers. After completing the research, he learned that out of about 70 SUNY/CUNY schools, MCC is the only college that have partially armed peace officers. He also explained to the Senate the extensive training completed by MCC Peace Officers. One concern that he addressed is if a weapon could possibly be removed from an officer's holster when he/she is distracted. He explained that this was not the case and passed around a holster to demonstrate how difficult it would be to remove a gun without an officer knowing.

S. Knutowicz is asking for the support of the Faculty Senate on his proposal. He has already received support from the CSEA and Student Government Association and is meeting with the Faculty Association on April 10th. He plans to meet with President Kress in mid-April to present his final report.

Questions:

How many of MCC's Peace Officers are armed on campus each day?

S. Knutowicz stated that there are currently two peace officers that qualified to be armed; however, depending on the schedule there may not be any armed peace officers on a given day. The department is understaffed but there

are additional personnel currently attending the police academy. The plan is to be at full capacity November 2013, which would be five armed peace officers.

Have you considered arming the Peace Officers with tasers or using rubber bullets?

S. Knutowicz stated that these are less lethal options and would be difficult to use against a knife, a bat or other weapon. He explained that based on research done by his department, it was determined a 40 caliber glock is the safest gun for peace officers in a campus situation. The "Shoot Don't Shoot" college campus scenario training will be required for the all peace officers as well.

How many of MCC's peace officers are currently working as police officers?

S. Knutowicz stated that he is currently the only full-time officer working as Chief of Police for Sodus Point Sheriff Department. However, there are about six part-time retired police officers, which include some of the security personnel in the gray shirts.

C. Abbott asked the Senators to share this information with their constituents and there would be vote to support this proposal at the April 25, 2013 Faculty Senate meeting.

2. Guest Speakers: Dolores Pasto-Ziobro and David Blackburn – MCC's tobacco-free initiative

D. Pasto-Ziobro and D. Blackburn have started at MCC a tobacco-free initiative based on a recommendation by MCC's Personal Health and Safety Committee, chaired by D. Blackburn. The recommendation is based on respect for others, health awareness, the strategic plan, and preparing students for the workforce.

A tobacco-free steering committee, comprised of 20 members from across campus, is charged with developing a plan to implement a tobacco-free campus. SUNY recently announced that it will be mandate in the near future that all campuses are tobacco-free, inside and outside. D. Pasto-Ziobro clarified that tobacco-free includes smoke and smokeless products and chewing tobacco.

The Committee envisions an eight step implementation plan over 1 ½ - 2 years with six subcommittees. The Committee collaborates with an expert, Ty Patterson, who runs a policy organization that specializes in tobacco-free initiatives for college campuses. In addition, the Committee will also work with other SUNY colleges that have been successful in their tobacco-free initiatives.

The Committee has already started several smoking cessation programs working with students and faculty. Students will have access to a free web-based tobacco-intervention program called WATI provided by University of Rochester that is geared toward community college students.

Once the draft policy and implementation plan is complete, the Committee will be looking for input and suggestions on the policy and implementation plan, sharing the draft documentation with the College community through the "M" drive, website and meeting with campus groups. As the plan is developed and implemented, the committee members would like to come back to the Faculty Senate to present the information. The Committee understands that this will be a culture change. After implementation, there will need to be continued support from the College community.

Questions:

When will SUNY mandate that all campuses are tobacco-free? D. Pasto-Ziobro stated that an official date has not been announced; however, she believes that they are working on legislation that would make tobacco-free campuses mandated by law.

Will the Code of Conduct be reviewed since it currently doesn't include chewing tobacco? D. Pasto-Ziobro stated that several policies will need to be reviewed and updated to include several tobacco products.

Students are aware of the potential policy and have stated that MCC cannot enforce a tobacco-free policy in the parking lot that is owned by the county. D. Cecero stated that all of the MCC Brighton campus is owned by the county; therefore, all county real estate is tobacco-free.

How many smokers are currently on the Committee? D. Pasto-Ziobro stated that members of the Committee were not asked if they were smokers. They did ask two individuals that are known smokers to sit on the committee.

A Senator suggested that the committee solicit more smokers to give them an opportunity to participate in the discussions regarding the policy without potential judgment.

Will the policy allow students to smoke in their car? How will you enforce that? D. Pasto-Ziobro stated that the policy has not been formalized and the Committee is still looking into the issue. D. Cecero stated that her current recommendation would be to allow students to smoke in their cars.

Will electronic cigarettes be included in the policy? D. Pasto-Ziobro stated the current intention would be to include them in the policy since they do contain tobacco.

Why is chewing tobacco being banned since it is a personal choice and does not affect other's health? D. Pasto-Ziobro stated that this a health issue as well.

A Senator recommended that the Committee review their stance on e-cigarettes since most cessation smoking programs promote using them.

3. Announcements:

a. C. Abbott announced that the FCCC would like the Faculty Senate's support on the following Resolutions: Resolution Urging Implementation within Open SUNY of Principles of Academic Freedom and Faculty Control of Curriculum (FCCC Resolution #G2 2012-2013) and Resolution on 64-Credit Limit for A.A., A.S., A.A.S. and A.O.S. Degrees #ASA1 2012-2013. H. Murphy will forward copies of the Resolutions for Senators to share with their constituents. There will be a vote to support these resolutions at the April 25, 2013 Faculty Senate Meeting.

b. C Abbott congratulated the following Senators on their promotions:

Assistant Professor: Barbara Ellis and Emily Putnam

Associate Professor: Brian Edelbach, Jason Mahar and Holly Wynn-Preishe

Professor: Donna Burke and David Shaw

4. Student Announcements

a. Kyle Savarese, Deputy Speaker of the Student Government Association, introduced himself. Sean Jobson, Student Services Commissioner, of the Student Government Association, stated that he is currently looking into issues that affect students, such as ATC permit parking concerns and arming MCC's Peace Officers full-time. He is working on several ways that he can solicit student's opinions. K. Savarese and S. Jobson are available in Room 3-126 to answer any questions.

5. The minutes from the February 28, 2013 Faculty Senate meeting were approved.

6. Action Items:

a. Curriculum:

1 Program Deactivation: PD1S AS Liberal Arts and Sciences-Social and Behavioral Sciences (LA13)

1 Program Revision: PR1S AAS Fire Protection Technology

1 New Program: NPIF CERT Cyber Certificate

Motion: To approve the course program revisions and new program

Motion seconded

Discussion: No discussion.

7. Standing Committee Reports

Academic Policies (E. Grissing)

E. Grissing reported the following:

- He reminded the Senators to follow up with their department chairs regarding the Student Opinion of Course and Faculty (SOCF) departmental survey.

- The Educational Technology Services (ETS) requested that the Committee re-examine the deadlines for submission of grades in the fall semester and recommend that they be moved to dates before the December holiday break, if possible. The reason for this request is to provide greater time and flexibility to ETS in addressing computer network issues and upgrades over the period when the College is closed. APC examined the Academic Calendars for 2013-2014 and 2014-2015 (already published) and feels the request can be reasonably accommodated. (The Committee makes no recommendation at this time for 2015-2016 and beyond.)

In fall 2013, the last final exam is on Thursday, Dec. 19th and grades are presently due on Monday, Dec. 30th. APC proposes changing the grade due date to Monday, Dec. 23rd at the end of the day ("midnight").

In fall 2014, the last final exam is on Thursday, Dec. 18th and grades are presently due on Monday, Dec. 22nd at noon. APC proposes changing the grade due date to Tuesday, Dec. 23rd at noon.

H. Murphy will send out an email with this information for the Senators to share with their constituents. There will be a vote to approve the changes at the April 25, 2013 Faculty Senate meeting.

Curriculum Proposals (M. Witz on behalf of H. Wynn-Preishe)

M. Witz reported the following:

- The curriculum committee has given final approval to the following:

19 Course Revisions:

- CR53F ANT 202 Human Religious Experience
- CR55F HIM 213 Health Information Systems
- CR3S ENG 102 Writing from Personal Experience
- CR4S ENG 105 Introduction to Literature
- CR5S ENG 106 Literary Focus
- CR6S ENG 108 Literature of the Holocaust
- CR7S ENG 109 Detective Fiction
- CR8S ENG 114 The Young Adult Novel
- CR9S ENG 115 Fantasy Literature
- CR10S ENG 181 Introduction to Creative Writing
- CR11S ENG 200 Advanced Composition
- CR12S ENG 213 Creative Writing
- CR56F PSC 100 Public Safety Telecommunicator
- CR13S CIS 209 Systems Analysis and Design
- CR14S CIS 211 Applied Database Concepts
- CR15S CIS 221 Applied Database Concepts with an Oracle Database
- CR19S CSC 215 Introduction to Linux
- CR49F TRS 105 Fundamentals of Writing
- CR1SAGS200 Food and Agriculture Problem Solving - Behavioral Applications

7 New Courses:

- NC11F HPR 101 Multicultural and Diversity Issues in Healthcare and Education
- NC22F PSC 212 Practicum in Law Enforcement Dispatching
- NC25F HSM 104 Public Safety Communications
- NC1 HSM 202 Organizational and Facility Security
- NC1 AGS 110 Introduction to Greenhouse Management
- NC5S ASL 280 Literary and Artistic Expression of Deaf hood
- NC6S HSM 103 Historical and Contemporary Perspectives on Terrorism and Homeland Security

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1 New Program:

- NPIF CERT Cyber Security Certificate

- The Curriculum Committee has sent the following to the Faculty Senate for a vote:

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- PD1S AS Liberal Arts and Sciences-Social and Behavioral Sciences (LA13)

1 Program Revision:

- PR1S AAS Fire Protection Technology

- 1 New Program:
NP1F CERT Cyber Security Certificate
- The curriculum committee has posted the following for Faculty Review until 4/4/13:
1 New Course:
NC23F PSC 110 Practicum in Public Safety Telecommunicator
- The curriculum committee has posted the following for Faculty Review until 4/09/13:
1 New Program:
NP3F CERT Agricultural and Food Studies
- 4 Program Revisions:
PR3S AS Fine Arts
PR4S AS Diversity and Community Studies-Cultural Studies
PR5SAS Diversity and Community Studies-African American Studies
PR7S CERT Precision Tooling
- 1 New Course:
NC8S EBL 101 Experience Based Learning
- Remains Posted:
NC1S HUM 250 Introduction to Aging for the Human Services Worker

Curriculum Special Projects (P. Emerick on behalf of M. Ernsthause)

P. Emerick reported that the committee has given final approval to the following Course Learning Outcomes (CLO) revisions:

- ASL 101 American Sign Language I
- MUS 131 Studio Production
- SOC 130 Sociology of Work
- SOC 200 Social Problems
- SOC 201 Race and Ethnicity in the United States
- SOC 202 Urban Sociology
- POS 210 Introduction to Political Philosophy
- POS 230 Civil Liberties - US

NEG (A. Wilson)

A. Wilson reported the following:

- The current candidates for the Faculty Senate officers are as follows:

President: Mark Ernsthause

Vice President: David Shaw

Secretary: Teresa Schichler

She then asked for additional nominations from the floor. The deadline for nominations is Friday, March 29th.

- Elections for Faculty Senate Officers and FCCC representatives will be held on May 1st (Brighton Campus) and May 2nd (Damon City Campus).
- She is still accepting nominations for Senators. She asked the Senators to encourage their colleagues to considering a Faculty Senate position.

Planning (D. Shaw)

D. Shaw reported that the Committee has awarded the Strategic Planning Grants for this year and will be meeting with last year's recipients.

Professional Development (H. Williams)

H. Williams reported the following:

- The Committee is planning for the Carmen Powers Legacy Lecture Award, scheduled for April 26th at 2:00 p.m. The speakers will be Ray Shea and Dick Ryther.
- The Committee has made its recommendations to the Provost for the candidate for League of Innovations.
- The announcement was sent out calling for nominations for Hanson Excellence in Teaching and MCC Excellence in Professional Service Awards. The nominations packets are due by April 12, 2013.

• **SCAA (T. Schichler on behalf of M. Fine)**

- T. Schichler reported that on behalf of SCCA, Karen Chin and Eileen Lanzafame will sit on the Academic Leadership's search committee for Director of Student Engagement at DCC.

8. Old Business

a. C. Abbott commented that the College Wide Discussion with M. McDonough, Provost and Vice President of Academic Services, was an informative and interesting topic on where the College is headed in the future. However, the event was not well attended. C. Abbott asked for feedback on the reason for the low attendance. Please email any input that will assist the Executive Committee in planning future events. D. Burke stated that a DVD is available in the Faculty Senate Office.

9. New Business:

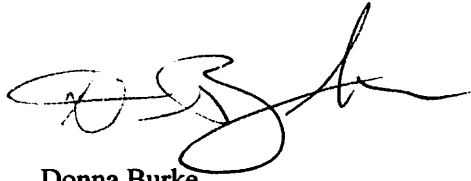
There was no new business.

Meeting adjourned at 4:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Christine Abbott
President
Faculty Senate



Donna Burke
Secretary
Faculty Senate

Minutes approved at April 25, 2013 Faculty Senate meeting.