



January 26, 2012

PRESENT: C. Abbott (President), A. Bauer, A. Benjamin, P. Bishop, D. Burke (Secretary), J. Case, N. Christensen, J. Cottrell, K. Doyle, B. Edelbach, B. Ellis, P. Emerick, M. Ernsthause, S. Farrington, M. Fine, K. Frantz, K. Mooney-Graves, E. Grissing, S. Hagreen, M. Heel, L. Judd, J. Mahar, J. McKenna, J. McPhee, M. Ofsowitz, D. Olaode, M. Oliver, P. Peterson, L. Pierce, H. Pierre-Philippe (Vice President), C. Powers, M. Sample, P. Sarantis, T. Schichler, D. Shaw, C. Silvio, J. Smith, J. Volland, S. Weider, H. Williams, A. Wilson, M. Witz, H. Wynn-Preische

ABSENT: A. Conte, B. Dery, G. Fazekas, T. Gilbert, R. Kennedy, E. Lanzafame, P. Ornt, S. Battista-Provost,

GUESTS: J. Childers (S.G.A.), C. Downing, M. Gray (S.G.A.), D. Jachim-Moore, K. McKinsey-Mabry, H. Murphy, C. Smith

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

1. Guests: Darrell Jachim-Moore & Cathy Smith, Update on Budget Resource Committee

D. Jachim-Moore reviewed the Budget Resource Committee (BRC) primary focuses: 1. Increase rate of first time/full time students' completion rate to 30% by 2015 and 2. Make sure resource allocations are related to MCC's "student momentum points." Student momentum points were analyzed as they relate to Access, Readiness, Retention and Completion. Three teams were created to review momentum points for issues/changes in key areas. These were prioritized based on impact on completion, and suggestions were made regarding strategies and practices that could positively impact completion. They also reviewed best practices of other colleges with high completion rates. In addition, the resources at these "model" colleges were examined. Graduation rates seem to be most impacted by policy or other processes not measured by IPEDS. BRC recommendations: 1. Full-time position dedicated to the completion agenda. 2. Complete benchmarking of "best in class" for community colleges. 3. Consider engaging an outside consultant to review student intake processes and make recommendations. 4. Review FACE practices to improve the process 5. Develop Communication and Training Plan 6. Implement other changes to positively impact retention/completion.

2. Announcements

- a. C. Abbott announced that she and D. Burke will be meeting with David Moore next Thursday to discuss parking concerns and get clarification on parking in the Green Saver Spaces. They also plan to discuss the ticket that M. Fugate received after parking in a Green Saver Space.
- b. C. Abbott announced that she will have her quarterly meeting with President Kress on February 8, 2012. Please forward any issues that you'd like discussed at this meeting to C. Abbott.

3. Student Announcements (Michael J. Gray II, President of the MCC Student Government Association)

- a. M. Gray announced that one of his goals during his presidency is to encourage community engagement at MCC. He is presenting a proposal for an initiative called Follow Me @ MCC, where 11th or 12th graders from area high schools would follow an MCC Student. The SGA is seeking input from the Faculty Senate as to how they feel about having these students on campus and in the classroom. C. Abbott suggested he forward an electronic copy of his proposal to H. Murphy to be distributed to the Senators and their constituents for their review and comments. The proposal would then be discussed at the February Faculty Senate meeting.
- b. M. Gray announced that his State of MCC address will be held on February 6, 2012 in Monroe A & B from 12:00 – 1:00. He encouraged everyone to attend.

4. **The minutes from the December 15, 2011 Faculty Senate Meeting were approved.**

5. **Action Items:**

a. Faculty Council of Community Colleges Resolution Supporting “A Rational State Aid and Tuition Plan” for the Community Colleges – FCCC Resolution #G1-2011-12, December 16, 2011.

Motion: To endorse the proposed resolution

Motion seconded

There was no discussion.

Vote: Approved: 38 Opposed: 0 Abstention: 0

Motion passed

6. **Standing Committee Reports**

Academic Policies (E. Grissing)

E. Grissing reported the following:

- The Committee members continue to work on the Entering Student Placement Policy (Faculty Senate Resolution 1.1.10).
- The 2014-2015 calendar that was passed at the November Faculty Senate meeting has been modified. The revised calendar will have Intersession beginning on Monday 1/5 (rather than Friday 1/2). Classes will run for 2 weeks extending the daily class period to 4 hours and 20 minutes for a three credit hour course.

Curriculum Proposals (H. Wynn-Preische)

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

3 New Courses

NC7F MUS 102 Basic Musicianship Skills I

NC6F MUS 103 Basic Musicianship Skills II

NC4F STT 102 Solar Thermal Installations

- The curriculum committee has posted the following for Faculty Review:

1 New Program

NP1F CERT Solar Thermal Technology

3 New Courses

NC10FTHE 149 Stage Movement

NC11FTHE 211 Theatre Production Laboratory

NC9F THE 116 Stage Lighting Design

Curriculum Special Projects (M. Ernsthansen)

No report.

Planning (D. Shaw)

D. Shaw reported the following:

- The committee will be meeting with B. Cunningham next week regarding facilities issues. If there are any concerns that need to be discussed at the meeting please forward them to D. Shaw.
- The deadline for Strategic Planning Grants is January 30.

Professional Development (C. Powers)

C. Powers reported the following:

- The correct date for the Legacy Lecture is Friday, April 27th. If you know anyone who is retiring, you can send a 350 word recommendation to Tom Gilbert. The deadline for submission is February 27, 2012.
- The submissions deadline for the Leaves to Benefit the College is March 1, 2012
- There will be a workshop on Professional Leaves on January 27th during College Hour.

NEG (A. Wilson)

A. Wilson reported the following:

- The committee is working on updating the Faculty Senate constituent areas list and will send out the revised list soon.

- Senator elections and FA representative elections will be coming up this semester. A. Wilson will contact the departments that will have elections.

SCAA (M. Fine)

M. Fine reported the following:

- The new Dean of Science Health and Business (Ms. Laurel Sanger) and Dean Career Technical Education (Dr. Javier Ayala) have been appointed.
- SCAA will be meeting on Monday, January 30th to start the search for Dean of Liberal Arts. They are anticipating finishing this search by the end of the semester.
- March 7th is voting day for new Department Chairpersons. Posting dates are February 27th and February 29th. From February 29th to March 6th, departments can ask the candidates to come to a department meeting to discuss their candidacy. There are ten departments electing chairs this year. Three of those departments will be electing chairs to a two year term to reconcile back to a three year cycle. Each department will need to forward to M. Fine the name of a teller who will count the votes at the Academic Services Office on March 7th.

7. Old Business

C. Abbott clarified the information received at our October Faculty Senate meeting that Faculty and Staff can only park in the Green Saver spots in Lot A. C. Abbott and D. Burke are going to meet with D. Moore on Thursday, February 2 to discuss the confusion over faculty parking in the Green Saver spots on campus and will report back after the meeting. It was also requested that we ask D. Moore about parking in Dental Hygiene clinic spots during non-clinic hours and if he has found out whether Veteran students can park for free as they do on other SUNY campuses.

8. New Business

No new business.

Meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Abbott
President
Faculty Senate

Donna Burke
Secretary
Faculty Senate

Minutes approved at February 16, 2012 Faculty Senate meeting.