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Academic Senate Meeting Minutes

May 15, 2020 (Convened at 8:35 am) on Zoom.

Attendees: Shawn Abbott, Jude Baldwin, David Blink, Natalie Bradley, Rhonda Brown, Liz Carlyle, Neil Carpentier-Alting, Wenli Chang, Dave Clarke, Andrea Craddock, Marcy DeMetro, Katie Elwood, Maria Fernandez, Tim Frisbee, Karen Harper, Jenny Heath, Ed Kephart, Ann Klein, Michelle Knudsen, Michele Korkowski, Shirley Louie, Kim Parham, Charlie Roche, Ron Slabbinck, Patrice Thatcher-Stephens, Mike Tischler, Jayne Turk, Chris Vancil, Alison Varty, and Carly Zeller. Dr. Char Perlas, Dr. Doug Haugen, Kim Peacemaker, Sherry Ackerman, Sarah Kirby, and Terry Turner also attended the meeting.

A. Public Comments

- a. Doug Haugen briefly presented on the Student Housing Project for the COS Weed Campus. It will be a 23 million project. Servitas will take on the costs and COS would just operate it. After 30 years, we would own the facility.
 1. Maria Fernandez voiced her concern with this project because of the uncertain time we are in. We are losing enrollment, as well as being in a pandemic.
 2. Chris Vancil is dubious about any deal where we get something for nothing. There's a lot of questions about this project that are still not addressed.
 3. Charlie Roche voiced the need more housing for athletes. Ed Kephart pointed out that we need better facilities to house athletes. It was also pointed out that these facilities could be used by other CTE programs (e.g., Police Academy, Fire Academy, etc....).
 4. Doug said they are still working out the details and wanted to present to Academic Senate before the academic year ended. Ron Slabbinck will save the messages on Chat from this Zoom session and will revisit this issue next academic year.
- b. Jeremiah LeRue, the Director of Law Enforcement Academy, texted Michele Korkowski to request that she convey his disapproval of the last-minute delay in starting the Law Enforcement academy. He noted that the Fire Academy already

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started classes, but the Law Enforcement Academy was delayed at the last minute due to COVID-19 testing. Dr. Perlas said the difference was that the Law Enforcement Academy was going to be using COS lodging, whereas the Fire Academy was not.

B. Announcements

- a. Congratulations to our new Academic Senate Officers:
President – Ron Slabbinck
Vice President – Neil Carpentier-Alting
Secretary – Liz Carlyle
At Larges – Ann Klein, Rhonda Brown, and Shirley Louie
Part-Time Representatives – Sherry Ackerman and Sarah Kirby
- b. Congratulations to our newly tenured faculty members – Rhonda Brown, Wenli Chang, Andrea Craddock, and Michele Korkowski
- c. Congratulations to our new retirees – Mike Graves and Tom Powers

C. Approval of Minutes (2 Sets of Minutes – 4/17 and 4/24)

- a. Maria Fernandez motioned to approve the two sets of minutes. Andrea Craddock seconded. Minutes approved.

D. Action / Discussion Items

- a. **Strategic Enrollment Management (SEM) Plan - Dr. Char Perlas** (Information Only) - The Guided Pathway Pillar groups, as well as the Enrollment Management Committee contributed to this plan.
 - 1. It includes the goals of increasing enrollment by 5% and increase retention by 20%. The timeline is until 2021, but obviously the COVID-19 pandemic will negatively impact enrollment.
 - 2. Maria pointed out that the graphs show that we are losing FTES since 2015. Perhaps our goals should not be increasing enrollment, but stabilizing enrollment
 - 3. Chris Vancil mentioned that it lacks a cost-revenue analysis. Which field, CTE, academic programs are making or losing money?
 - 4. Mike Tischler indicated that the FTES presented by Melissa Green yesterday at IPB yesterday were about 200 less FTES for the academic year 2018 - 2019. Dr. Perlas will check on the enrollment numbers with Melissa Green.
 - 5. Dr. Perlas said the Enrollment Management Committee will take the feedback received by Academic Senate and will revise the document according. SEM Plan will eventually go to the Board for approval.
- b. **Verify Updated Senate Committee Roster** – Given the additional responsibilities Ron Slabbinck and Neil Carpentier-Alting will have being the President and Vice President of Academic Senate next year, they are giving up one of their assigned committees. Ron will step away from being Chair of the Flex Committee and Neil will

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stop being on the IPB Committee. Thus, we need faculty volunteers to replace them on these committees.

- a. Patrice Thatcher-Stephens volunteered to replace Ron as the Chair of the Flex Committee.
 - b. No faculty volunteered to replace Neil on the IPB committee.
 - c. Alison Varty moved to accept Patrice as the new Chair of the Flex Committee. Sherry Ackerman seconded; motion passed.
- c. **State of Union Address**- Jayne Turk thanked her fellow Senate Executive members for their work and support. She stated that although she failed to accomplish some things, namely establishing participatory governance on campus, she did strengthen our ties with other Senate colleges. She also appreciated that the faculty stepped up this last academic year. She never had a problem with reaching quorum at the Academic Senate meetings. She also appreciated that although faculty numbers are going down, we still continue to meet our obligations in participating in various committees across campus. She tried to make sure that administrators and staff scheduled meetings so that faculty members could participate. She was proud that most faculty members voted down next year's budget given that faculty members are going on a third year without a contract.

E. Adjournment: 9:45 am

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