

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Moore called College Council to session at 2:03 p.m.

ATTENDEES

Council Members Present: Mary-Rita Moore, Chuck Bohleke, Maria Correa, Humberto Espino, Michael Flaherty, Kay Frey, Tom Olson, Pamela Perry, Shelley Tiwari, Sam Tolia, Elizabeth Quan Kiu Vazquez, Hector Zavala.

Absent: Debbie Baness King, Kevin Kennedy, Quincy Martin.

Others Present: Cheryl Antonich, Shannon Blameuser, Mike Garrity, Joe Klinger, Kevin Li, Ric Segovia, Sacella Smith, Brenda Jones Watkins.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dr. Flaherty made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 27, 2017 College Council meeting, seconded by Ms. Frey. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

HOT TOPICS

Ms. Moore shared that the B Building first floor campus renewal project is complete, and the space opened today. She thanked the employees for their efforts and enthusiasm in transitioning back into the space. Demolition of the second floor and cafeteria has begun, and those projects will be completed before the fall semester.

OPERATIONAL ASSEMBLY

In Dr. Martin's absence, there was no report.

ACADEMIC SENATE

Dr. Flaherty highlighted reports received at the April Academic Senate meeting as follows. The Curriculum Committee reported that testing requirements have been updated in English and Rhetoric; Math will be updated in May. The reason for this change is that Accuplacer was replaced, so a more generic language is being used. Academic & Scholastic Standards continues to work on the Finals Schedule and is seeking feedback from faculty and students. Academic Support continues their work with peer mentoring for Dev Ed faculty. Campus Quality Committee expressed concern about how online classes/Blackboard will be supported with staff leaving next year, and faculty are awaiting communication from Vice President Baker. Nominations for Senate President were held, and Dr. Flaherty was the only nominee.

STUDENT SUCCESS

Ms. Tiwari noted that the agenda for the Achieving the Dream Coaches visit on May 1 and 2 has been finalized and posted on Blackboard.

Ms. Tiwari, Mr. Segovia, and Mr. Li gave a presentation on the re-vamped COL 102 course. Changes include an added financial literacy piece and the Success Navigator tool now included on the front end. Also presented was Board Policy 5904 – Mandatory Enrollment in COL 102,

with a recommendation to revise the policy, adding the point: "First-time college students pursuing an AA, AS, AFA, or AGS who need enhancement in non-cognitive skills as determined by an assessment tool will be required to enroll in COL 102 Learning Framework for College Success." It was questioned why the Associate in Applied Science degree is not included, and there was discussion that this is just a starting point, and the AAS was not added at this time. Dr. Bohleke explained that adding another class to the AAS and removing an hour of general studies courses could be prohibitive, so that degree was left off for now. This could be revisited in the future.

It was pointed out that while college success courses are not considered IAI courses, COL 102 is transferable when articulated. Dialog ensued about this course being a very theory driven, diagnostic model that helps enhances students' non-cognitive skills. It includes goal-setting to prompt students in choosing their academic direction. Dr. Flaherty mentioned that concern was expressed in Academic Senate about who is going to teach COL 102; either adjuncts or faculty overload. Mr. Segovia noted that a training session was held last week and about 30 attended. It may be necessary to hire adjuncts specifically to teach the course.

Concluding comments were that the new COL 102 will be rolled out slowly, with the hope of offering 28-30 sections in the fall. The anticipation is that this will be positive for students, but there will be assessment of what works and what doesn't, with adjustments made as necessary.

OLD BUSINESS

ASSURANCE ARGUMENT UPDATE

Ms. Perry reported that the teams are developing their recommendations, which are due at the end of the month. She invited College Council as the Steering Committee to a celebration for the Criterion Teams on Tuesday, May 9 from 11 am to 1 pm in R-221.

Ms. Perry has started drafting the Assurance Argument, but needs to wait for what the teams bring forward. She expects that draft chapters will be ready to look at in June, July, and August, and asked Council how they want to review the document and if they want access to the many links. In the fall semester, Ms. Perry will talk to Council about how to make the material available to the college community. Council discussed how they would like to review the chapters, some not wanting the supporting evidence, and some indicating that the supporting documents helps it make sense. Ms. Perry commented that the HLC system she will be working within is where she makes the links to the supporting pieces. She will be able to have draft chapters outside of the system without the links. Ms. Perry suggested bringing the chapters forward for Council review as PDFs, splitting them up over three months (five criteria plus federal compliance), and also having several members access the HLC system to review it electronically with the links.

Ms. Moore commented that Council should begin to think about topics for the annual Retreat, and possibly include vetting of the Assurance Argument, with both the concluding members and new members having input. She stated that she would like the whole document available in draft form by the Fall Workshop.

NEXT MEETING

The next College Council meeting is scheduled for May 22, 2017 at 2 p.m. in B-204/210.

OTHER

Ms. Moore acknowledged the email sent this afternoon announcing the Annual Retirement & Recognition Ceremony on May 4. She hopes everyone will be able to attend.

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Flaherty made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Dr. Bohleke. Voice vote carried the motion unanimously. Ms. Moore adjourned College Council at 2:55 p.m.

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