# COLLEGE COUNCIL Meeting Minutes

## **CALL TO ORDER**

President Moore called College Council to session at 2:05 pm

### ATTENDEES

<u>Council Members Present</u>: President Mary-Rita Moore, Shelley Tiwari, Purva DeVol, Ty Perkins, Hilary Meyer, Kurian Tharakunnel, Earnest Davis, Colleen Rockafellow, Dr. Michael Flaherty, Maria Solorio, Mary Wink, Shekinah Lawrence

Council Members Absent: Hector Hernandez, Journey Manuel, Joe Klinger

<u>Others Present:</u> Brenda Jones Watkins, Jodi Koslow Martin, Anthony Riley, Leslie Wester, Patricia Rodriguez, Ian Torres, Mary Casey-Incardone, Sandra Berryhill

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Colleen Rockafellow made a motion to approve the minutes from the regular College Council meeting of October 16, 2023, seconded by Dr. Michael Flaherty. Voice vote carried the motion unanimously.

### HOT TOPICS

None.

### **OPERATIONAL ASSEMBLY - Hilary Meyer**

Athletics reported that fall semester sports, soccer, volleyball, and basketball will be starting in November. Staff are encouraged to come to the games and support the teams. Facilities is busy with various construction projects; installation of AC units on the roof top of A building, new chillers going in the G and F building, carpet was replaced on the 3rd floor in the A building, tutoring lab renovations were completed. Facilities is currently working on the lab in Respiratory Therapy and the Barber program, asbestos abatement in R-221, and ongoing asphalt project.

Marketing is working on promoting Triton's Festival of Trees.

The Spring 2024 schedule will be going out at the end of October and also working on the annual report.

The Business & Facilities committee also discussed that there have been fraud cases with students cashing checks twice by mobile deposit and then going to a currency exchange. The committee is working with Financial Aid to help promote financial literacy and encourage direct deposit for students.

The smartboard refresh was approved by the Board last month. Twenty of the oldest smartboards on campus will be refreshed with the latest interactive flat panel smart technology. IT is awaiting quotes from Aruba/Hewlett Packard regarding the wireless environment and information on hardware costs as well as finance options.

Awaiting an update on Dual Credit about reviewing and changing their admission process for consistency and ensuring they will address any impact that may affect reporting.

The Heritage Committee and Professional Development Center (PDC) just held a Hispanic Heritage Month panel with 5 faculty and staff with 41 in attendance. The Heritage Committee and PDC is hosting a panel in the Library for Italian American Heritage Month on October 24 at 2 p.m. The Heritage

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Committee and PDC will celebrate Native American Heritage Month by showcasing Seth McClellan's film *Little Wound's Warriors* on November 2 at 3:30 p.m. in the Cernan Center followed by a reception.

Shelley Tiwari has invited Brandon Marks, Director of Academic Advising & New Student Orientation for next month's Operational Assembly meeting to talk about his area and how it directly aligns with Guided Pathways. The Credit Momentum KPI Report is on the Teams site and has a set of metrics about credit completion that gives an early indication of how students are progressing towards completing their degrees. The Fact Sheet comes out late November from the Research and Institutional Effectiveness department and the Fact Book is out late December.

Student Life hosted a La Loteria y Artesania event for Hispanic Heritage Month on October 11.

Academic Planning workshops targeted to first year students are being held on October 16 and October 19. Students are being encouraged to register early, between October 23 and November 22, for a chance to win a voucher for a 3-credit hour course.

In honor of Hispanic Heritage Month, the library hosted *Lessons From the Dead*: A Student Leadership Symposium, October 11 in the Library Commons. Community speakers Paul Martinez, faculty member, and Nora Sanchez from the Oak Park Public Library shared their experiences with students.

ACADEMIC SENATE - Dr. Michael Flaherty

Nothing to report due to the Senate meeting having been moved from October 10 to October 17 due to the faculty holiday.

## STUDENT SUCCESS - Shelley Tiwari

Patricia Rodriguez and Ian Torres presented to the Council on Transfer Success. They presented a video showing interviews of successful transfer students. The presentation also shared top university transfer destinations from 2018 to 2022. Title V Cohort data was also presented. Data from Three Transfer Cohorts include retention and completion rates:

Fall 19 (n=300), Fall 20 (n=400), Fall 21 (n=500).

Fall to Fall Retention: Fall 19 Cohort Target: 65%/ Actual: 82.3%, Fall 20 Cohort: Target: 68%/ Actual:69%, Fall 21 Cohort: Target: 71%/ Actual: 60.4%.

On track to completing degree within 150%: Fall 19 Cohort: Target 70%/ Actual 78%, Fall 20 Cohort: Target: 73%/ Actual: 60.4%. Fall 21 Cohort: Target 76%/ Actual 52.2%.

Highlights of the Transfer Center services were also presented.

Council Members asked what were the primary considerations of students who want to transfer. No survey data has been collected, but location and costs seem to be the top priorities for students.

Discussion ensued about the coursework for Associates in Arts and Associates in Science degrees transferred to Illinois institutions through the Illinois Articulation Initiative.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

None.

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## **NEW BUSINESS**

Colleen Rockafellow presented on FY 25 Budget Planning. Colleen's presentation highlighted the budget process, training for cost center managers, improvements, and timelines. The budget worksheet is being sent this week and is due December 4<sup>th</sup>. Training for cost center managers are being conducted through Zoom meetings

# NEXT MEETING

The next College Council meeting will be held on Monday, November 20, 2023, 2-4 p.m.

## OTHER

Purva DeVol asked members to share the information of College Council using *Communication Guidelines*, approved by the Council three years ao, with their departments, areas, or employee groups.

### ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Michael Flaherty made a motion, Purva DeVol seconded. Voice vote carried the motion unanimously. College Council was adjourned at 3:03 p.m.