

ACADEMIC SENATE

September 9, 2008

4:00 PM

Brockmann Conference Room

Members Present – Larry Strizich, Greg Clouse, Lanny Wilke, Carol Reifsneider, Darlene Sellers, Stacey Dolezal, Tom Welch, Bob Johnke, Joe Callahan

Guest - none

Call to order - Greg Clouse called the meeting to order at 4 PM in the Brockmann Conference Room.

Minutes – Minutes for April 29th, 2008 were approved. Lourdes needs to find the minutes for May 1st meeting to get approved at the next meeting.

Administrative Reports – none

Old Business - _ The curriculum process was reiterated for the new members. The curriculums go to the college then to Julie Strobel but the Gen Ed processes are different. Once completed an email should be sent notifying us that the policies are online. We would like to invite Norton Pease to the next meeting. Carol will forward the assessments to the committee. Tom suggested we take a look at the curriculum forms as they are awkward.

Carol spoke about the University Advisory Council. Lanny asked what the function of the UAC is. They review policy (charges). We also discussed the processes.

New Business - Greg discussed the Northern Initiative, which is the faculty taking a position on low enrollment and what can be done. Should we continue or drop it? The general consensus is to continue with the program. Lanny stated everyone needs to be serious and motioned to email the information to the members. Also that there needs to be volunteers during the summer events. The COTS department offered food and refreshments for spring semester registration, which made it more fun and less like a job.

The Regent meeting in Butte is scheduled for September 24th, 25th and 26th. The format has changed the representatives will be able to speak to the Regents for the first meeting then will only be able to every 3rd meeting. Carol asked what the plans are for the Gen Ed transferrable courses. Who makes the final call? The regents move forward with issues, sometimes with no say from the colleges. Can the questions either be on MUS system or an internal structure? Both. Greg advised everyone to write their questions down and email them to Larry or himself. He stressed to everyone that they need to stay organized.

Larry discussed that it is important to meet with the faculty often to make sure a lot is accomplished.

Tom stated the senators should get reports from the sub-committees to send out to the faculty. The reports need to be more detailed than what is in the minutes so we know what is going on.

Lourdes will meet with Larry and Greg to identify the sub-committees. Also update the email list.

Committee Reports – none

Special Reports – none

Announcements - none

Adjourned – Meeting adjourned 4:50pm

Recording Secretary: Lourdes Fox
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