

SENATE BOARD MEETING

1/21/2009

Present: Courtney Ruffner, Margie Robertson, Luci Frith, Susan Finley, Sheri Chejlyk, Felix Rizk, Joe Loccisano

1. Updates: (Crocker Report)

- ITAC
- Email accounts decreased
 - i. Smaller accounts have been proposed
 - ii. No more desktop printers will be purchased
 - iii. Email archive or purge?
- STANDING COMMITTEES
 - Dr. Crocker will get back to us on the future of the standing committees.
- USF-MCC
 - Dr. Mears/ Advocacy
 - Institutional Issues, Faculty Issues
 - Louis O., Cheri C., Dennis R., Cindy R., Courtney R., Mike B. (Members)

2. Complaints & Topics Discussed

- Floyd Winters (purging students)
 - i. MariLynn Paro reply via email
 - ii. Recommendation: Student policy should be put into Student Handbook—about overrides
 - 1. Also to be shared at Orientation with students
- Parking Lot noise pollution (security needed)
- Re-organization of Department Structure
 - Language and Literature already met on Venice Campus and Bradenton Campus to discuss and draw up general statements (guidelines which those present agreed upon)
 - L & L pilot 12 months
 - Nursing –12 month Administrator

Departments should discuss what they want and share ideas with Senate to explore more ideas—Administrative chairs—larger population. We should gather a list of questions, concerns, faculty ideas, etc. before any formal meetings
E-Campus (i.e. St. Pete, Jacksonville, Miami Dade) will it be a separate campus?

- First Day Mandatory Attendance or class withdrawal policy—survey indicated this was desired
 - Faculty office hours and flexibility – let’s go with this
 - Development of “Signature Courses”: want to have Senate propose a standard method to development which will concur with accreditation, SACS, be user friendly, accessible, organized and have quality
 - 70% standard, 30% freedom
 - Need to discuss further.
 - Move Evaluations and Promotion Notebooks to digital (electronic)—go green - needs discussion. 85% needs to “go away”!
3. New Senate Structure and Balloting for this Spring
- Discussed Angel vs. Flashlight
 - Lucy to design ballot; Susan will put in Angel
 - Department Representatives should be voted by Departments; selected will sit on specific standing Committees
 - Need job descriptions for board members before election
 - Shared \$\$\$\$\$????
 - Self-nominations - yes
4. Senate Constitution Revision
- Members of Board to review and revise with “colors”:
 - i. Margie—green
 - ii. Susan—purple
 - iii. Felix—blue
 - iv. Lucy—orange
 - v. Sheri—pink

vi. Courtney—yellow

5. Discussed Joe L.'s concerns about representation for the Instructional Assistant scenario

- Concluded that the Senate as currently structured is not the representative body for this group

6. Courtney expressed willingness of Dr. Hafner and Dr. Crocker to be involved and listen to Faculty concerns. (encouraging)

7. Board Meeting finished at 5:15 p.m.

Minutes taken by Margie Robertson