

MINUTES

Date & Time: September 24, 2015 12:30 PM Location: Virginia Beach Student Center, K307

Senators Attending:

Jim Roberts, Chair, Information Technology & Business; Ellyn Hodgis, Health Professions (Vice Chair, College Faculty Senate CFAC representative); Mike Adams, Secretary, Adjunct; Regina Bartlett, Humanities; Kathy Buhrer, Natural Sciences; Rick Dienst, Social Sciences & Public Services; John Gallo, Engineering, Math & Industrial Technologies; Mark Greer, Natural Sciences; Tom Hilton, Humanities; Richard "Butch" Holtz, Social Sciences & Public Services; Anne Mach, Health Professions; Robert "BOB" Maynard Engineering, Math & Industrial Technologies; Monica McFerrin, Humanities; Bill McNamara, Information Technology & Business; Gary Noah, Information Technology & Business;; Elizabeth Vihnanek, Library; Donna-Maria Walker, Adjunct, Humanities

Senators Not in Attendance: Frank Futyma, Adjunct, Information Technology & Business; Susanne Rauch, Humanities

** Bold font denotes College Senate designated senators

College Representative(s): Alison Harwell, Counseling (College Senate Counseling Representative)

Visitors/Guests: Garrison Libby, Library; Laura Sanders, Social Science

- I. Call to Order by Chair Jim Roberts at 12:35 PM
- II. Review/Approval of August 27, 2015 Minutes as amended, accepted at 12:38 PM.

III. Old Business

- **A.** Open dialogue with Dr. DeMarte to be on Thursday, October 15, 2015 at 12:30 PM in the Student Center in room(s) K-320 A/B/C
- **B.** As a follow-on to the item from the floor concerning the student certification/testing vouchers, Greg Tennefoss from IT & Business and one of the VBCPS faculty are working with VUE Testing Company in re-implementing the voucher program without the Workforce Development interaction.
- C. In following up the New Business from August in regards to Bob Maynard's request for faculty tracking of student success, communication with Anthony Macera, Associate Director of Institutional Effectiveness, identified a list of priorities. These research priorities are in support of the President, the Executive Staff, and the SAC's team first. Jim Roberts suggested that the Faculty Senate endorse Institutional Research data requests and put forth a test case. This Faculty Senate data request could be in support of Bob's request for the Developmental Math. The Provosts and Deans have initiated a similar request for the Developmental English students.
 - Followon discussion concerned the nine (9) one credit developmental Math classes and the one

 (1) eight (8) credit Developmental English class. Apparently NORVA has broken this out to two
 (2) four (4) credit classes. TCC is entertaining a request for redesign of the eight credit
 Developmental English classes and anticipate implementation in the Fall 2016 semester.
- **D.** In response to the recent deletion of the previously required Computer Competency, there is much faculty concern in reference to due diligence: administrative action without any faculty input throughout the shared governance structure. This is leading to a trend of increasing events concerning student success without the involvement or consultation of faculty, in that Dr. DeMarte's methodically

going outside the shared governance structure. After lengthy discussion, Gary Noah presented a motion, seconded by Elizabeth Vihnanek, that reads:

MOTION:

The Virginia Beach Faculty Senate feels that the Computer Competency should be reinstated as an entrance requirement demonstrating in the first semesters of attendance at the College for degree seeking students and that any changes must be vetted through shared governance procedures.

Aye: 16 Nays: 2 Abstain: 0

IV. New Business: -

- **A.** FDEP Guidelines Monica McFerrin updated the Senate to the changes in process, especially in reference to the eTeaching Portfolio. These changes apply, in particular, to those faculty who are scheduled to have an evaluation during the fall semester.
 - i. New Faculty those in the New Faculty Academy do not complete an eTeaching Portfolio
 - ii. Faculty in a Second OR Third One-Year Appointment Those completing their second one-year appointment and completing the New Faculty Academy submit an eTeaching Portfolio to their respective dean/director.
 - iii. Senior Faculty shall submit a digital holistic narrative that focuses on the four sections as listed under the Teaching Domain. The criteria in the other domains are addressed in their APPDP from 2014 and 2015, or through activities based on the time period of the faculty member's appointment. Since plan implementation in 2014, self-reporting of activities prior to 2014 is acceptable as documentation.
 - iv. Further clarification is forthcoming in the near future.
 - v. The submission tool for modification is under review, and is expected to be implemented soon (maybe as soon as Monday, September 28).
 - vi. Due to the extremely short time line for this modification, can there be any relaxation for current October 15 deadline?
- **B.** Online and other course caps (and associated academic considerations) has been tabled to the October meeting
- **C.** Allow faculty to bring one guest with them to use the campus fitness centers As the "camps fitness center" is a component part of the Student Center; the faculty senate has no power to dictate the use of these facilities. This is apparently an upcoming issue for the College Executive Committee.
- **D.** Course scheduling policies, including "bumping" of adjuncts this is an agenda item before the College Senate. There is great concern in regards to the "TCC White Paper" in this issue, as it is apparently written as a product of the senate
- **E.** The Virginia Beach Senate has forwarded change recommendations to the College Faculty Chair, and approves the College Faculty Handbook with acceptance of submitted changes.
- F. The Virginia Beach Campus Senate By-Laws were ratified, effective September 24, 2015
- V. Items from the floor
 - A. None
- VI. Next College Senate Meeting Thursday, October 1, 2015. Meet and greet at 1:30pm, meeting at 2:00 PM Norfolk Campus Room TBA

VII. Next VB Campus Senate Meeting – Thursday, October 29, 2015, at 12:30 PM location TBD

VIII. Close: The meeting closed at 2:08 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael B. Adams

Secretary, Virginia Beach Campus Faculty Senate