

FACULTY SENATES COORDINATING COUNCIL
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September 24, 2009

MINUTES

APPROVED

TIME: 1:30-3:00

LOCATION: CCCConfer

PRESENT: Michael Norris, Keith Mikolavich Richard Akers, Ann Patton

ABSENT: Laurie Lema, Virginia Richards,

GUESTS:

Item #	Topic/Activity		Responsible Person(s)	Time Line
1.	APPROVAL OF AGENDA	<p>It was MSC to approve the agenda of September 24, 2009. All in favor. Approved.</p> <p>It was MSC to approve the minutes of September 10, 2009. All in favor. Approved.</p>		
2.	PUBLIC COMMENT	None.		
3.	ANNOUNCEMENTS	None		
	FSCC budget	<p>Norris reviewed that at the last Consultation, the Chancellor said she thought we had agreed to not pay the FSCC President. Norris said he Lema and Akers need insist on the back pay for the previous FSCC president and they also need to make sure that the proposed Senate budget will come back to consultation.</p> <p>Norris said at LMC the College President recommended the senate tighten their belt and include a cut in the summer stipend for the Senate President. Norris said if that happens he will cut back on work, and the district will get less services from the FSCC.</p> <p>Akers said at CCC they have been told to redistribute work load. He explained they are switching some hours for the Senate support person to their Instruction Office and as a result her hours will be cut. Akers is advocating that she still do work for the Senate and it would be covered by the Instruction Office. He said if they don't allow that, the senate office will be closed for several hours a week.</p> <p>Mikolavich said DVC Faculty Senate funds the Curriculum Chair and extra time for the Senate VP. He explained that the Senate has been asked to "donate" part of their rollover funds and they have agreed to \$5000.</p>		

		<p>Norris suggested Council let the Chancellor know what the \$100,000 Senate budget the district proposed would cover for the colleges.</p> <p>Mikolavich said Council needs to emphasize the need to grow faculty leadership.</p> <p>Norris said they should work on an MOU to ensure the rollover does not get taken back. He said FSCC has asked for a budget of at least \$117,000. Mikolavich cautioned if they do the soft sell they will only get the minimum and they need to make the case these funds help the whole college.</p> <p>Akers suggested they propose they take the \$100,000 but have district pay for the other items they had proposed be paid out of the Senate budget such as the membership fees for ASCCC.</p> <p>Norris said they will continue these discussion until it is resolved.</p>		
	<p>EEO plan</p>	<p>Norris said as chair of the DGC Sub-Committee on the EEO Plan, he presented a list of recommendations for the plan to DGC.</p> <p>He reported that Gene Huff said at DGC that because the State is no longer sending us the data needed for full implementation, there is no criterion to decide what is diversity. Huff said we can work with the intent to have a process that works towards diversity. Norris said faculty want to know what diversity means and who will make the decision on what is diversity.</p> <p>Norris said Council should suggested changes based on what is and is not mandatory in the plan.</p>		
	<p>Goals</p>	<p>Council reviewed and discussed the FSC Goals for 2008-2009.</p> <p>For the goal of increasing faculty participation in academic and professional leadership, several people attended the Plenary sessions including a record number from CCC.</p> <p>Norris said he and Richards attended a conference on leadership and they are sharing what they learned. He said he thinks this goal was accomplished.</p> <p>For the goal of increasing communication coordination, Council agreed they fulfilled this goal in part by attending each other's local senate meetings. They agreed to do the same this year when possible.</p> <p>Norris suggested they address Distance Education issues as a goal for this year. He said there is a lot of interest in it at LMC.</p> <p>Mikolavich said DVC has issues with intellectual property rights, evaluation of online courses, and developing an online associate degree.</p> <p>Norris said Council should rollover the goal of reviewing educational code changes. He suggested they exchange information on educational programs on their campuses. He said they should get curriculum, basic skills, other</p>		

		<p>program chairs together.</p> <p>Mikolavich suggested a goal of advocating for the roles of faculty senates in the District with Chancellor's Cabinet.</p>		
	Evaluation document redesign	Norris informed Council the proposed changes to the Evaluation booklets and forms should soon be sent out to the senates from the UF for discussion and feedback.		
	Video FSCC	Norris asked if there is a way to conduct the FSCC meetings with video instead of just phone. Patton said there are some other options through CCCConfer that may include video. She said DVC's Pleasant Hill and San Ramon campuses have live video feed available on campus but in limited locations. The other colleges would need to have a facility also. She will investigate the possibilities for FSCC meeting via video conferencing.		
9.	ADJOURNMENT	Adjourned 3:00		