



Faculty Senate Minutes
Date and Time: 05/08/23 1:00 – 2:00pm
Room: Online via Teams

CALL TO ORDER: Paul Nicholson 1:02 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT: President Paul Nicholson, Rick Henry, Kim Feig, Seth Roby, Karen Henderson (recorder), Nathan Munn, Wes Walker, Bryon Steinwand, Derrick Hauer, Tod Dumas, Joyce Walborn, Phillip Sawatzki, Larry Taylor, Sara Mosher, John Hartman, Jamie Garcia, Keri Jaynes, Veronica Mohrmann, Lyn Stimpson, Bill Hallinan

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- I. 01/13/23 minutes:
 - a. Motion to approve: Phillip Sawatzki
 - b. Second: Kim F.
 - c. Passed

COMMUNICATIONS:

- I. From the ECOS committee, Seth Roby is serving as Senate Vice President
- II. Senate Budget Report: No expenditures this AY. Currently \$800 available. \$250 for travel and \$550 for other.
- III. DCAC update: Dean's Campus Advisory Council: Jessie explained how they determined our "Like Institutions."
- IV. Had open forums this spring, ASHC President, Nick, attended the Friday meeting.
- V. BOR Meeting in Great Falls May 17th.
- VI. Director of Nursing Evaluation was conducted this spring.
- VII. ECOS will need to fill a vacancy in the fall. The committee would like to see nursing represented if possible.
- VIII. Faculty Senate should be thinking about finding a new meeting recorder. Karen has said that she will eventually be retiring.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

APRC: Academic Program Review Committee: Jamie Garcia reported that program reviews went well, and there will be a need for new members in the fall.

ASCR: There will be people moving off of ASCR in the fall, and there will be a need for new members. General discussion.

PAC: Paul reports - The Professional Advancement Committee (PAC) had a great year. A Special Thank You goes out to Amy Kong, the PAC members, and guest faculty and staff who participated. Thank you to the new faculty for all your participation. Your efforts contributed to the sharing of useful, interesting content and good discussions. There will be changes made for next year to solidify the agenda and to better serve new faculty members.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- I. Faculty based Equity Training follow up. Equity is the topic. ECOS has discussed asking for faculty training on socio economic subject matters. Discussion. Approved.
- II. Advising Team / Faculty meeting happened earlier today. Update. We will do this again in the fall of 2023 and spring 2024.

NEW BUSINESS:

- I. Vote to spend Faculty Senate funds to send a Helena College Faculty Senate representative to the May BoR meeting in Great Falls. This would include travel expenses, MUSFAR meeting meal expenses, and 1 night lodging. The Senate can spend up to \$250 from the budget for travel.
 - a. Motion: Karen moved to send a representative up to the \$250.00 allotted.
 - b. Second: Rick
 - c. Passed
- II. President Nicholson is able to get an expert about Artificial Intelligence to come to HC to give a seminar about how AI really works and how to look at ways to deal with it in the classroom. Faculty interest in Professional Development?
 - a. Motion: Karen moved to invite the expert to present.
 - b. Second: John H.
John suggested inviting Carroll College to collaborate.
 - c. Passed
- III. Ad-hoc committee report – Please update the faculty on the Promotion and Tenure Committee regulations and expectations. Discussion. This will be addressed via union negotiations, the only time changes can be made to the CBA.
- IV. College Success Courses – Discussion.

GOOD AND WELFARE/QUESTION AND ANSWER

- I. Kim presented concern about the CARES committee lacking faculty representation.
- II. Kim mentioned concerns with the configuration of Smart Classrooms, specifically the ability to project more than two different screens simultaneously. Paul will add it to the agenda of upcoming meetings.
- III. Motion to adjourn: Phil
Second: Rick H.
Meeting adjourned at 2:02 PM