

College Council Agenda

Friday, May 18th 2018

CAH 116

Council Member Attendees: Jeffery Campbell, Lindsey Hoogkamer-Smith, Angel Delker, Marianna Asaturova, Erin Barzen, Hobac Tran, Sol Mendez, Ruben Murcia, Mac Witt, Rosemary Darrough, Rose Kolvart, Dieny Aras, Lawrence Cushnie

(Quorum for today's meeting)

Guest Speakers:

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Secretary: Lily Allen

Begin: 9:08am

End: 10:25am

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

2. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- April 20th, 2018
 - Approved

3. REGULAR BUSINESS

- Election of Chair and Vice Chair 2018-2019
 - Chair Nomination: Anton Amaratunge
 - Chair Confirmed: Anton Amaratunge
 - Vice Chair Nomination: Mac Witt
 - Vice Chair Confirmed: Mac Witt
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- We have two outstanding student positions that can be filled.
- Will we need to have the new AVP of EDI included in the College Council team? Sol has been filling that position now, we will have her continue to represent and revisit when the new person arrives.
- Review of the bi-laws will come about when needed, but there is not a specific time when things are reviewed/changed.

4. NEW BUSINESS

9:15-10:30am: Draft recommendation letter to the president using feedback from Budget Hearing event on May 16th.

- Feedback from the event:
 - The information that was given was not very helpful, they wanted more concrete information. People wanted to know what is going to happen next. There were still a lot of questions, where is the numbers? What is going to be next? How is it going to look for next year? More follow-up would be great.
 - It is an interesting balance, do we give numbers now without knowing if they are correct or not, or do we wait to share until knowing for sure.
 - People are hungry to hear the numbers, but unfortunately the cabinet doesn't know those numbers so they chose not to share.
 - I did get a better understanding with context, what they are thinking, where they are struggling, etc. Once we do get numbers I think I will understand more of what they are thinking.

- There were questions and frustration from faculty in regards to student services and why they were not getting more cuts? Why isn't there more information from Rosie's department on what they are going to cut?
- Jeffery: It's disheartening to hear that pastry students didn't know that summer classes were going to be cancelled. Now, they are unsure what is going to happen. We are not supporting them or taking them to completion. We are not communication with them at all, this is so upsetting and sad.
- Dieny: The reason why the email was sent out from Pete in that way, was because there is a possibility that something could happen for fall. I get frustrated too because students are so frustrated. I did get confirmation from Laura Hopkins about continuing classes for students in Fall Quarter. We are not going to leave them hanging. Admin at higher levels have different ways of communicating so, I see both perspectives.
- Jeffery: I hear what you are saying, but their perception is reality. If you let your political stance effect the way you deal with students, it's a cop out. When the president doesn't notify them before the day of enrollment is bogus. They go to register and then surprise they can't!
- Erin: It is still the college's policy to finish out students no matter what.

BRAINSTORMING SUGGESTIONS AND LETTER WRITING SESSION, SEE LETTER FOR DETAILS

- The cuts for instruction continue, evening classes are being cancelled, summer, fall and spring. Are you not all worried that this will come back and bite us? As we continue to talk about this, the cuts in instruction are real, are people not worried about it? We have students who are ditching south because they feel insecure that they will not be able to complete their degree.
- It is not an easy situation. There is a lack of, or miss communication. It appears that some areas are making more cuts than others. What is the perspective of the college and what is actually going on? What I am hearing is what program is going to be sustainable. We are putting numbers on student's lives.
- Cutting evening classes' impact marginalized students. The climate survey is not being represented, there are only 3 races that you can identify with.
- I am dealing with my area, moral is terrible, what will happen to the rest of the college? 53%, where are they getting that number? How do we know they are using the correct data? Instruction has been cut way too much over the past 5 years.
- Admin Services is working hard to cut back on electric bills and trying to streamline custodial work. If every area has one single garbage can, then custodians wouldn't have to open up individual doors which takes a lot of time and can save time for them to help with other cleaning across the campus.
- Adaptation to student needs. Brian from LHO, Culinary, there has been a vast disconnect about the industry and school. Immediate changes here, but what should we be offering and how do we generate that revenue? What can we do now to change this? Who are we not communicating with?
- How can we use our campus more as a revenue space?
 - We can do that, because we don't have enough staff.
- We need to have a plan to revitalize that after the cuts. If we are taking the cuts, how are we bouncing back? What are we going to offer to the students and the industry? What do we need to have to move forward?
- What is our vision? Ask our administrators to figure this out! Who are we now?

- Should we add in a mission or vision statement? We need to stay focused on this. I am coming to South, so I am going to know what is going to happen. It will help set the letter off on a good foot. Core Themes.
- Supposedly we have a district vision now? With the whole ASI thing, there is confusion.
- When we talk about a need for transparency in the budget process what does that look like and what does it mean to you? How would you like that delivered?
- What I would love to see, is a healthy budget. How would that look like? What did it look like breakdowns of cost, how are we funded? Our Admin is new and wanting to make sure that things are changed. How are we spending our own money.
- Why haven't there been a restriction on Food events or travel. If you cut certain things it breaks morale.
- Spending efficiencies, is a problem for the college.

5. ACTION ITEMS

Determine next steps for finalizing letter

- Must be completed by May 21st in preparation for President's Cabinet meeting on May 22nd.
- Invite Laura Hopkins to final College Council meeting to discuss program viability process.

NEXT MEETING:

Friday June 8th, 2018 (Final meeting of Academic Year)

9am-10:30am

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