Senate Meeting Minutes Sept 2, 2016 Mahood Conference Room

In attendance: Rodney Montague, Dharshana Arachchi, James Walters, Karen Grogan, Geoff Hunter, Bill Bennett, Adem Ozyavas, Eric Baldwin, Debbie Tonelli, Darrel Thompson, Stephanie Musik, Terene Stiltner, Roy Pruett, Mike Lilly, Norman Mirsky and Luciano Picanço.
Non-members in attendance: Marsha Krotseng, Jo-Ann Robinson and Sheila Johnson.

1. The chair of the senate, Luciano Picanco, called the meeting to order and welcomed new members.
2. President Krotseng welcomed the senate faculty and made comments on our present situation.
3. There were no committee reports, with the exception of the curriculum committee, whose members will meet soon. The chair of the senate asked the committees to reconvene before next meeting in order to establish goals for their participation in the institutional life.
4. Mike Lilly gave information about the ACF: Lilly reported that ACF had their annual retreat and that nothing about decisions of the legislature will be known until after elections.
5. Norman Mirsky gave information about the BOG: Mirsky summarized President’s report, Provost’s presentation and the new Athletic Director remarks to the BOG. He also referred to Dr. Robinson’s presentation on enrollment and retention. Finally, he announced that the strategic plan will be discussed on College Council in September.
6. The chair of the senate reminded the Faculty Senate that the Faculty Senate yearly presentation to the BOG will take place on October 20, 2016; and asked all members to send him topics that they wish to see covered in the presentation.
7. The chair informed that a general faculty meeting will be called when there is the need to vote on major issues. In late November or in December, anyhow, there will be a general faculty meeting.
8. Adem Ozayvas and Darrel Thompson questioned Dr. Robinson on enrollment and retention. All members expressed their worry with the present situation of the college and are committed to try do their best to collaborate in any aspects that may help the college.
9. Senate Minutes from March 25, 2016 were approved.
10. Meeting was adjourned.