Minutes
Faculty Senate Meeting
April 19, 2013
11 a.m.  – Mahood Conference

Present: Norm Mirsky, John Snead, Albert Berkoh, Tony Woart, Terene Stiltner, Geoff Hunter, Carol Cofer, Roy Pruett, Mike Lilly, Vanessa Godfrey, Cheryl Winter via phone, Erik Baldwin, Adem Ozyaras, Sherri Williams, Deb Halsey-Hunter, Tracy Anderson, Dr. Krotseng

Chair Sherri Williams called the meeting to order at 11 a.m.

Minutes:
Roy Pruett made a motion to accept the minutes of March 27, 2013; seconded by Mike Lilly. Vote: Unanimous.

Sherri Williams announced the General Faculty meeting will be on Monday, May 4 at 3 p.m. in Tierney Auditorium.

1) Academic Affairs Committee—No report.

2) Budget Committee—Mike Lilly
   Mike reported there is a proposed budget which reflects a 8.84% budget cut for higher education, which is almost $600,000 for BSC. There are still some issues with the budget that need to be resolved, such as what vacancies are going to be filled.
   The bill to increase increment pay from $60 to $100 did not pass.
   The House Finance Committee did not pass the outcomes funding this year.

   Norm Mirksy commented that with the 7.41% raised tuition for BSC for fall 2013. If the budget cut isn’t that much, Dr. Krotseng can always lower the tuition percentage. Sheila Johnson had talked with the other colleges and BSC was in line with what they were doing.

3) ACF Report—Mike Lilly
   a) Met with Senators Poling and Plymale on higher education day.
   b) K-12 reform act—this did pass but had major changes. Schools can set standards for students coming into developmental classes.

4) Curriculum Committee—Geoff Hunter
   a) a 2-3 hour health & wellness component is being added to General Studies.
   b) Nursing had name/description change of Personal Wellness.
   c) Allied Health, an existing program, had a clarification of restrictive elective.
   d) BSC Rad Tech—new specialization in ultrasonography. This does require a new faculty position.

Discussion: Focused on the adding of this new ultrasonography vs losing a business professor. Geoff Hunter feels we need to keep our viability by keeping our accredited programs; therefore, we need to keep faculty in these positions supporting accredited programs. Norm Mirsky feels we don’t get any data from Conley Hall to make decision; example he cited with the budget process. He also feels long-range planning is not being done.
5) **Rad Tech**—change in program titled from B.S. in Radiologic Technology to B.S. in Imaging Science.

6) **Psych 350**—adding of this new course.

7) **Psych 450**—adding of this new course.

8) **Curriculum Modification**—change made in curriculum to reflect the adding of the two new psych courses.

9) **Political Science 312**—description change.

10) **POSC 490**—description change.

11) **POSC 495**—description change.

**Motion:** Norm Mirksy made a motion to approve all of the curriculum changes; seconded by Roy Pruett. Vote: Unanimous.

5) **Professional Development Committee**—Sherri Williams
   This still needs to be addressed.

6) **Promotion & Tenure Committee**—Sherri Williams
   She will bring the proposed P&T guidelines to the General Faculty meeting.

7) **BOG**—Norm Mirksy
   a) Policy 19—is out for a 30-day review; most of the changes were to just clean up the policy.
   b) BOG Waiver change—5% increase
   c) Approval of Tuition & Fees—BOG approved increase in tuition
   d) Athletics Update—BOG had a letter from Mountain East discussing the exclusion of BSC

**Discussion:** Dr. Krotseng noted that one or two board members had heard BSC was doing away with athletics. She asked Terry Brown, AD, to send a letter to coaches and athletes informing them that BSC in continuing its athletic programs. She asked that all faculty and staff help to dispel these rumors.

**Followup Concerns:**

1) We still need to determine the RBA process at BSC and address the concerns as raised in previous Faculty Senate meetings.

2) **Faculty Handbook**—we will vote on this Monday at the General Faculty meeting.

3) **CAP Center**—many things have positively been attained from meeting with them this past year.
4) Collegewide Computer Committee—Dr. Krotseng said this committee has met two times and has had lots of good discussion. The communication process has already improved. The costs of the software will be discussed. The HelpDesk will be available 24 hours a day.

5) 4-Day Week—this issue did go to the College Council but has been tabled for discussion. April 26 is the last day to comment on this topic.

Tony Woart volunteered to help with the graduation lineup for the President’s inauguration.

The meeting adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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