

## Senate Meeting Minutes for November, 2016

Mahood Conference Room, 11am

Meeting Led by Dr. Luciano Picanco

Note Taker Dr. Bonnie Reese

In attendance: Luciano Picanco, Roy Pruett, Debra Vest, Darrel Thomas, Terene Stiltner, James Walters, Dharshana Arachchi, Norman Mirsky, Bonnie Reese, William Bennett, Karen Grogan, Adem Ozyavas, Sherry Williams, Tina Nickleson, Michelle Cofer, Rodney Montague

Non-members in attendance: Marsha Krotseng, Provost Lambert, John Lewis

1. The Chair of the senate, Luciano Picanco, called the meeting to order.
2. Faculty Senate Minutes were approved from October 2016 with corrections noted.
3. Dr. Lambert Reported on Prior Learning Guidelines and Polices and highlighted the changes made to specific sections. RBA has their own procedures.

Dr. Lambert noted that College Council will vote next week, November 14, 2016.

Dr. Lambert reported that no student can be undeclared.

4. John Lewis shared with the group a few changes that have been made in the Basket Ball Program- Tickets are free for students- Season pass for faculty and staff and alumni- Each pays a \$10.00 donation which will go to the program. Additional funds will be raised and sponsors in the community will support the program. John noted that this change is only for the Basket Ball program. He noted a decision has been made this is not a proposal..
5. Curriculum Committee reported on 3 proposals to the Business Program noting that changes are made in the spring rather than the fall.
  - Adding a minor to Business Administration Program –Additional courses were added
  - Business Certificate-100 level courses can count as a minor if they want to enter into the program
  - Committee Voted and approved the changes made to the Business Program
  - Motion was made to table the Engineering Proposal
6. Assessment Committee- Mike Smith is looking at courses that have large enrollment and will begin assessing those classes – Literacy and Tehical Literacy may merge them as information technology and literacy
7. BOG- Dr. Krotseng reported on the funding for the Dorm Project is getting closer- BOG approved policy manual – Noting there are changes made in the BOG Bilaws
  - Enrollment report – 29% decrease in student enrollment- African American enrollment decrease 40%- Internationa enrollment decrease 80 %
  - Luciano Picanco presented to the BOG intention for civil discourse and transparency is needed
  - Stressed the importance of the Early Alert System