

FACULTY SENATE MINUTES

**Tuesday, April 19, 2016
Room S-138, 3:50**

I. REVIEW OF MINUTES, March 8, 2016

Guests: Ilene Kleinman, Mecheline Farhat, Angelica Flores, Yasmine Badauru, David Delizid, Brant Chapman, Yun Kim, Lynn Richardson

II. REPORT ON SENATE RESOLUTIONS SUBMITTED TO PRESIDENT

The following items from the March 8, 2016 meeting have been approved by the President

SR#128 – 15/16 Issues in Diverse Society	Lit 231	Diversity Standing	Literature & Environmental
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The following items from the March 8, 2016 meeting did not need the President's approval

SR# 94 – 10/11 These three have Older numbers	Lit 226 Soc 101 Soc 103 Soc 113	Diversity Standing Diversity Standing Diversity Standing Diversity Standing	Introduction to the Novel Sociology Sociology of the Family Social Problems
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SR#56-14/15	Program Deletion	AA.LA.SOC.SCI AA	Liberal Arts – Social Sciences Option
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SR#134-15/16	Course Addition	SOC-104	Introduction to Social Work
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SR#135-15/16	Program Modification	AS.PS.SOC.WK	Assoc in Science Prof Studies – Social Work Option
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SR#136-15/16 Good Health	Course Addition	WEX-133	Mindfulness &
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SR#137-15/16	Course Other	Course Number change – 59 Co-Op courses from 400 to 200 course numbers	
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III. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Dr. Kaufman began his report announcing that Professor Joan Cohen was absent from today's meeting and lamenting the paucity of appealing cookies as a result. He announced that an invitation to the Faculty Senate luncheon would be shortly forthcoming; the luncheon will be at Biagio's, on Tuesday, May 17, at noon. A Senate meeting will follow at 2:30. At that meeting, technically the first of the 2016-2017 academic year, the election of officers will be held.

Kaufman thanked all Senators for their service, especially expressing his appreciation for their willingness to serve beyond their elected terms because of the extensions caused by the academic reorganization.

Kaufman reported that a productive meeting occurring on Wednesday, April 13, between the Senate Officers and Dr. Walter, who was joined by Dr. Kim. He stated that he was pleased by the cooperative and collegial tone of recent meetings with the President.

He announced that Professor Cordell and Dr. DeMarco would not present a scheduled update on curriculum, but would present a fuller one at the May 17 Senate meeting.

Kaufman finally bemoaned the fact that an article that he had been invited to write for the "Faculty Focus" newsletter did not appear because Dr. Carol Miele, newsletter editor, decided that it was too long. He mentioned the fact that he had not been notified about article length when he sat down to write, that article length had never been an issue before, and that he had suggested that the article be published and that he would thereafter adhere to the new 500-600-word requirement instituted by Dr. Miele. Kaufman mused aloud about the fact that former President Jerry Ryan had once refused to run one of his articles and wondered if he might be being censored again. He indicated that he did not mind, if that was the case.

Announcement: Mecheline Farhat from Criminal Justice is looking for volunteers for a mock trial from 12:30-2pm on April 28 in Lyndhurst. Get in touch with her if you are able and willing

III. SPECIAL REPORTS

None

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

V. OLD BUSINESS

Coursehero Update – Dr. Mullaney had a letter from the college attorneys with an explanation of what to do about materials on Coursehero. The attorneys recommend visiting Coursehero and making note of all the BCC owned materials and all the faculty owned materials. BCC attorneys will then write to Coursehero and ask that all BCC owned materials be removed and request that no further BCC materials be uploaded. Faculty will have to do this with their own materials. Dr. Mullaney said to email him with any further questions and he will ask the attorneys.

Audit Date – Previous Senate discussion about changing the course audit date was brought up again. Aisha Hill from Financial Aid made a presentation to explain how auditing a course affects financial aid students. Regardless of the date, course audits are not included in Title IV. Ideally, students with federal financial aid should not audit because they can lose their aid. Senators requested a pop-up box so that when students click on audit, they get notified that they could jeopardize their financial aid. This pop-up would also generate a hold so they have to see a counselor to discuss the reason for the audit request.

Student Complaint Reporting System – The college has implemented a new system from Maxient to track student complaints. This is not a policy change because there has always been a paper system. Dr. Mullaney explained that there is a need to better keep track of student complaints to make sure they get addressed. Dr. Kim noted that there is a federal compliance issue that needs to be met.

Academic Programs – Professor Brian Cordell and Dr. Toby DeMarco will continue the discussion of this topic at the May 17 Senate meeting

Distinguished Professor Resolution – not discussed

VI. New Business

Course withdrawal dates – The present official date to withdraw from a class is the Thursday after the semester has reached the 80% point. There was a proposal to change this by removing Thursday and just saying the day after 80% of the semester is completed. Because we have so many semesters (summer, late start, winterim) removing the day may become problematic. Any decision on this was postponed for further investigation. Motion to postpone withdrawal date policy revision:

Passed 31-0-1

Curriculum

SR#56-14/15	Program Deletion	AA.LA.SOC.SCI AA	Liberal Arts – Social Sciences Option
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Passed 36-0-5

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SR#136-15/16	Course Addition	WEX-133	Mindfulness & Good Health
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Passed 43-0-1

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It was noted that this was implemented before the request came to the Senate. Registration wanted this to happen before registration for summer opened so the change was made in advance.

Passed 34-0-6

VIII.ADJOURNMENT