Cabrillo College Faculty Senate

Tuesday, November 30, 2010
3:10 - 5:04 pm
Sesnon House

In Attendance: Eva Acosta, Marcy Alancraig, Joseph Carter, Jean Gallagher-Heil, John Govsky, Steve Hodges, Calais Ingel, Denise Lim, Renee Kilmer, Michael Mangin, Diego Navarro, Lenny Norton, Beth Regardz, Dan Rothwell, Letitia Scott-Curtis, Deborah Shulman, Alex Taurke, Sylvia Winder

Note Taker: Carina Hilmar

Guests:

1. Call to Order
   1.1. The meeting was called to order at 3:09 PM.

2. Minutes
   2.1. November 16th, 2010 meeting minutes reviewed. The attendance list was revised and spelling errors were corrected. Senate moved, seconded and approved the minutes of November 16, 2010 meeting.

3. Reports
   3.1. President (Steve Hodges)
       3.1.1. Steve Hodges is looking for representatives for the transportation committee.
       3.1.2. Steve Hodges is looking for two representatives for the disciplinary hearings on Friday Dec 3rd, Dec 8th. Michael Mangin and Joseph Carter volunteered.
       3.1.3. Steve Hodges reported that he sent out the adopted resolution from the statewide Senate meeting. Items of interest can be brought up for future discussions.
       3.1.4. Steve Hodges reported that there was a mistake with transferring the money to the travel conference funds. The issue is now taken care of and Steve Hodges got reimbursed for the travel expenses.

   3.2. Vice President (Letitia Scott-Curtis)
       3.2.1. Letitia Scott-Curtis followed up on her report from the meeting on November 16th regarding the updated version of Blackboard. There will be intensive training for faculty, and administrators will have plenty of time to test the new system. Blackboard 9.1 will probably be available in Spring 2012.
       3.2.2. Letitia Scott-Curtis thanked the Senate for having been able to serve time as Vice-President.

   3.3. Secretary (John Govsky) - reported that the Faculty Senate website is now up to date. He fixed inaccuracies, but the link to the website is still missing.
3.4. Treasure (Lenny Norton) - reported that the Senate will have money available for next year.

3.5. CCFT (John Govsky) - no report

3.6. CCEU (Rick Fillman)
   3.6.1. Rick Fillman reported that the CCEU completed elections last week. There was not much change in the leadership, and the directors up for election were reelected.
   3.6.2. Rick Fillman reported that regarding the budget, the target and deficit is continually being questioned, and he expresses concerns about positions that might be randomly eliminated because they are currently unfilled. He suggested that the hiring process should be looked at again, and he also reminded the Senate of the CEEU’s request to put forth an alternate budget.

3.7. Watsonville (Eva Acosta)
   3.7.1. Eva Acosta reported that due to today’s deadline for the UC and CU applications many students are very stressed.
   3.7.2. Eva Acosta handed out maps for the new parking situation on the Watsonville campus.

3.8. ASCC - absent

3.9. SLO Assessment Coordinator (Marcy Alancraig) - no report

3.10. VPI (Renee Kilmer) - no report

4. Unfinished or Ongoing Business

4.1. Flex Calendar
   4.1.1. Francine Van Meter informed about the 46 workshops during Flex week that will focus on student achievement, innovative teaching strategies, and student learning outcomes. The faculty is able to earn credits for attending workshops. The Senate accepted, moved, and seconded the Flex Week Calendar.
   4.1.2. At the board meeting on Monday Dec. 6th the staff development committee will make a presentation about staff development at Cabrillo College. The presentation will include discussion, and will show how staff development enhances student success.

4.2. Fall Elections Update
   The first round of elections will close on Thursday Dec. 2nd; so far three At-large senators have been nominated. After the first round closes Steve Hodges will announce who has been nominated so far, and then there will be one more week for nominations. After this period the elections will begin.
4.3. Missing Minutes
Approved minutes from last semester have been missing. Steve Hodges asked the Senate for permission to use the drafts minutes temporarily until the approved minutes are found, or the draft minutes have been re-approved.

4.4. Student Success
The Senate had a long and in-depth discussion about student success and what exactly defines success. The consensus of the Senate was that it should be part of discussions about student success on the state level and be proactive in the developments that might follow. Some suggestions about student success were to collect data the college currently has and evaluate this information accordingly. Also ideas about creating education plans, or some form of completion agenda were voiced. The Senate agreed to continue this discussion next semester, and to communicate vague ideas at a state wide Faculty Senate meeting.

4.5. Budget Update
Steve Hodges explained that there are now new updates regarding the budget so far. He will keep in touch with the Senate over e-mail if necessary to keep the senators posted over the break.

5. New Business

6. Open Forum

7. Adjourn