



OCC Academic Senate Executive Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 10, 2:00-3:00 PM, via Confer Zoom

E-Board Members in Attendance: Vice-President Rendell Drew, President Lee Gordon, Secretary and PDI Chair Marilyn Kennedy, Immediate Past President Loren Sachs.

E-Board Members Absent: Curriculum Chair Charles Otwell (non-voting)

Guests Officially Signed In: Anna Hanlon, Bob Fey, Arabian Morgan, Rob Schneiderman.

I. Preliminary Matters

(Please note that the Presiding Officer's vote shall be recorded as an abstention, unless breaking a tie vote.)

- A. **Call to Order:** President Gordon called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM.
- B. **Public Comments (Officially Signed In):** Rendell Drew, Bob Fey, Arabian Morgan, Loren Sachs, Rob Schneiderman.
- C. **Approval of Minutes:** *Motion 1: Secretary Kennedy moved to approve the January 5, 2022, minutes; seconded; approved. [Ayes: 4, Noes: 0, Abstention: 1]*

II. Consent Agenda

President Gordon introduced and briefly explained the items on the Consent Agenda.

Motion 2: Immediate Past President Sachs moved to approve the Consent Agenda; seconded; approved [Ayes: 4, Noes: 0; Abstentions: 1]:

- A. Addition of new member to the Early childhood Education/Human Development search committee: Rochelle Santacruz.

III. [New] Business

A. COVID and Teaching:

President Gordon reminded attendees that the Senate Executive Board passed a motion at the last meeting stating its accord with the union's position about moving to online teaching for a least four weeks (rather than two). CFE President Schneiderman shared that he will be meeting with the Vice Chancellor of HR and the District Chancellor on Thursday to discuss these issues: (1) the move to four weeks online rather than the proposed two weeks, (2) KN-95 masks, and (3) clarification of testing protocol for those teaching 100% online.

There were brief questions regarding the OCC website's readiness with student information about the Covid vaccine, requirements, and protocols. A short discussion clarified the need to stay synchronous when moving online for an in-person class in reference to positive attendance.

B. Instructional Effectiveness Partnership Initiative (IEPI) Grant Treatment Area Application:

President Gordon provided a brief history of the new grant program which was initiated by VPI Grimes-Hillman. Vice-President Drew had initially requested at the Fall 2021 Senate retreat that someone outside the campus should come and assist the college in regards to enrollment. VPI

Grimes-Hillman found a program with funding and technical expertise, followed up on this and applied. This particular program was selected as faculty and administration can work together on enrollment planning. **President Gordon** thanked the VPI and believes this program would be beneficial to the school.

There was a question about the time frame in regards to obtaining full Senate endorsement and the timeline overall; additionally, attending senators were requested to raise any concerns or questions. One senator suggested more focus on student-centered enrollment and that this program move closer to faculty.

VPI Grimes-Hillman provided her timelines and a handout with these details:

- On October 15 she sent a letter of interest to the grant program for a partner/resources team. She shared this with President Gordon and Vice-President Drew. (**President Gordon** noted that he and **Vice-President Drew** were informed every step of the way.)
- In November-December the VPI received initial then final approval.
- On Jan 7 the pre-information plan will be due.
- In early March there will be a first meeting to lay out a plan and the whole Senate can be involved in that process.

Motion 3: Immediate Past President Sachs moved that the Senate E-Board “at this time express support for the concept and then in future go over the letter of it specifically at a later meeting in front of the whole Senate”; seconded; approved. [Ayes: 5, Noes: 0, Abstentions: 0].

C. Discussion of Future Items:

Faculty Handbook; Transparency Committee; Covid and teaching; Covid, international students, and a global reach; student survey of needs

IV. Adjournment: President Gordon adjourned the meeting at 2:40 PM.

[Minutes approved on January 26, 2022.]