NNMC Faculty Senate Meeting
May 03, 2024
Minutes

Meeting called to order at 1:01 pm.

Senators/Officers in attendance: Brenda Linnell, David Lindblom, Heather Winterer, Rhiannon West, Anne Gray, Joan Hodge, Lori Franklin, Ana Vasilic, Margaret Zak, Ashis Nandy, Robert Tierney, Teresa Beaty, Steven Cox, Simon Vaz, Scott Braley

Motion to approve meeting agenda – Margaret Zak
2nd motion to approve meeting agenda – Steve Cox
All approve – Motion passes

Motion to approve meeting minutes – Steve Cox
2nd motion to approve meeting minutes – Sneha Chakradhar
All approve – Motion passes

Guests/Reports

President Report – Hector Balderas

- Pleased with process, demeanor of CBA negotiations
- Proud of progress in strategic planning - we're a state leader
- Will be responding to the audit Letter of Concern with positive results

Provost Report – Dr. Larry Guerrero

- NNMC retention rate 50%, graduation rate 35%, some of the best in the state
- Will provide slide decks for HLC visit
- LMS - no decision yet, needs to consult with Scott Stokes
- Will consider question of class visits (part of HLC/program review) for purely online classes

VP for Financial Affairs - Dr. Denise Montoya

- Reviewed completed projects on Española and El Rito campuses
- Discussed ongoing/future projects
- Discussed challenges, need to juggle funding to cover unplanned expenses
- Mark Lopez, Gino Trujillo discussed safety and security issues

Union Report – Rhiannon West

- Union ratified draft CBA, now to Board of Regents
- Reviewed highlights of changes (too many to list)

New Business

Elections (Secretary-Treasurer, President, PFAC)

- Secretary-Treasurer - Thanks to Melanie Colgan for serving for the last 2 years! Steph Zawadzki unanimously elected (Anne Gray motion, Margaret Zak second)
- President - Scott Braley unanimously reelected (Simon Vaz motion, Margaret Zak second)
- PFAC open position - Thanks to Rhiannon West for serving for the past year! Margaret Zak elected unanimously (Joan Hodge motion, Heather Winterer second)

Discussion of possible ad-hoc committee - for Fall, consideration of an ad-hoc cmte to take a look at Financial Aid. David Lindblom will do some prep work over the summer.

Committee Reports

Academic Standards – Brenda Linnell

- Coaches did not attend meeting. Follow-up actions being considered.

Adjunct Pay Committee (no update)

¡Asi Es! – David Lindblom

- Committee is considering the inequities of the policy on rotation of department chairs.

Educational Policy – Heather Winterer

- The committee is considering a subcommittee to take part in program reviews.

General Education – Lori Franklin

- Approved FDMA 1560 as meeting the Literature requirement

Honors – Ana Vasilic and Margaret Zak

- Cmte working on Posthumous degree possibilities - may consider two options depending on student degree progress

Personnel – (no report)

President's Faculty Advisory Committee - Rhiannon West

- Several pathways for feedback
- Listening session probably triggered by feedback from PFAC→President

Tenure – Ashis Nandy

- Scott Braley was awarded Tenure

Undergraduate Curriculum Committee – Bob Tierney

- Some forms received for consideration next fall

Rhiannon West motioned to adjourn the meeting. Teresa Beaty seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The motion passed.
Meeting was adjourned at 2:56pm.