

Voice

Faculty Association Bulletin January 2016 Oklahoma City Community College

Oklahoma City Community College
Faculty Association General Meeting
Tuesday, January 26, 2015 3N0 Main Bldg.
12:30 - 1:15 pm

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1. Welcome
 2. Approval of Minutes from November 2015 Meeting
 3. Treasurer's Report (Jeff Carlisle)
 4. Chair's Report
 5. Old Business/Update
 - A. FASC: (Tricia Sweany/Ann Raia) Chili Cook-off (Feb. 3) and Garage Sale (April 5-7)
 - B. Regent's Round Table: Tentatively scheduled for Monday, Feb. 15 after regular Regent's Meeting from 12:30-1:30 pm. Faculty will receive an invitation.
 - C. Regents invited to classes: Several faculty (adjunct and full-time) have submitted their classes to the list for visits from the Regents.
 - D. GUNS ON CAMPUS: President Steward anticipates new legislation to be presented this spring.
 - E. Higher Education Day: February 16
 - F. Moodle:
 - 1) Division Master Course Designers would set up gradebook for adjunct professors, similar to what online courses do. (Nov. 16, Dr. DeClouette)

2) Online Learning Committee: Transitioning the committee to be a Moodle user group. They will work on ideas to improve Moodle and pass ideas to the CLT.

12:45-1:20

1. New Business

A. Q & A Session Talks with President Steward, and other Administrators?

2. Adjourn

Executive Committee members:

Brent Noel, Arts; Jenean Jones, Business; George Risinger, Chemistry and Biological Sciences; Angela Cotner, English and Humanities; Reeca Young, Health Professions; Al Heitkamper, Information Technology; Tricia Sweany, Library; Tad Thurston, Mathematics, Engineering, and Physical Sciences; John Ehrhardt, Social Sciences; Ginnett Rollins Chair; Gwin Faulconer-Lippert, Chair-Elect; Fabiola Janiak-Spens, Secretary; Jeff Carlisle, Treasurer; Jay Malmstrom, Parliamentarian; Nate Vanden Brook, Past-Chair

Treasurer's Report (as of January 15, 2016)

Scholarship Account: \$2890.86 General Operating account: \$8246.24
Ray McCullar Scholarship: \$4265.74

**Minutes Faculty Association Meeting
November 24, 2015**

The meeting was called to order at 12:36 p.m.

The **minutes** from the October 27th meeting were approved.

The **Treasurer's report** was approved.

The **Chair's Report** can be read in the November Voice.

Visit/presentation/Q&A by Dr. Anne DeClouette regarding Moodle Gradebook and Attendance Implementation:

Dr. DeClouette stated that she had not been aware about Moodle implementation issues prior to becoming Acting VP of Academic Affairs, otherwise she would have discussed Moodle more during Fall 15 planning and prep week. She acknowledged differences for each division and a need for improvement of communication between all levels (Academic Affairs, Deans, Faculty). The mandate to use Moodle Gradebook and Attendance stems from a student survey and request to “know where I stand in any given class”. Survey was given to students who had completed more than 30 hours at OCCC and included a GPA cut-off.

The following comments were made/concerns raised by faculty during meeting: too many grade items in too many categories, each discipline is different, faculty did not see all grades in Moodle and missed delinquent students, awkward program to use, not user friendly, some functionality problems, grades are deleted from gradebook when student is withdrawn out of academic reasons, individual faculty have tried and true methods of recording student grades and attendance, conversion issues.

Toward end of meeting, Dr. DeClouette presented the implementation schedule for Moodle use by all faculty:

SPRING 2016: gradebook recommended, syllabus posting required

FALL 2016: syllabus, gradebook and attendance required

The meeting adjourned 1:15 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Fabiola Janiak-Spens -- Secretary

Chair's Report

The Executive Committee met on January 11, and decided to table for the time being the following issues:

1) Faculty Development/Self-Appraisal revisions; 2) Pay disparity due to economic factors beyond control of College; 3) Personal Leave/Sick Leave inconsistencies in enforcement; 4) Faculty Senate/Union.

LMS SYSTEMS President Steward will discuss the possibility of forming a sort of consortium of Oklahoma community colleges and universities statewide to standardize the use of the same LMS system throughout the State, at the upcoming meeting of community college presidents on February 23.

EXTRA PARKING: Marlene Shugart will get back with me regarding this issue prior to the February Faculty Association meeting.

Lastly, please give some thought to actions that OCCC could take to improve faculty morale with little or no financial cost, and let's talk about your idea(s). President Steward would like to work with us to find ways to do help faculty in spite of these times of economic shortfalls for the College.

Very respectfully submitted,
E. Ginnett Rollins
Chair