

Voice

Faculty Association Bulletin

September 2010

Oklahoma City Community College

Agenda

Faculty Association General Meeting

12:30 p.m. Tuesday, September 28, 2010

MEETING LOCATION: 3N0 Main Building

1. Minutes — Jeff Cleek
2. Treasurer's Report and Membership Report — Lisa Adkins
3. Special Guest --- Website Redesign Overview -- Noel Levitz
4. Scholarship Committee Report – Jeff Carlile
5. Chair Report – Tad Thurston
 - a. Review of previous questions of interest
 - b. Overview of new theater design
6. Old Business
7. New Business
8. Adjourn

Executive Committee members:

Al Heitkamper, Information Technology; Vicky Davidson, Health Professions; Lisa Buckelew, Science and Math; Jay Ramanjulu, Library; Brent Noel, Arts and Humanities; Michael Machiorlatti, Business; vacant, Social Sciences; Tad Thurston, Chair; Chris Vershage, Chair-Elect; Jeff Cleek, Secretary; Lisa Adkins, Treasurer; Steve Morrow, Parliamentarian; Dianne Broyles, Past-Chair

Treasurer's Report

(as of Sept. 9, 2010)

Scholarship: \$4,393.20 (does not include Coke Wagon)

Bank Account: \$7,301.87

Membership: 12

Paid members: Lisa Adkins, Lisa Buckelew, Paul Buckelew, Rachel Butler, Myra Decker, Courtney Dodd, Sue Hinton, Fabiola Janiak-Spens, Steve Kamm, Dana Tuley-Williams, Anita Williams, Bertha Wise

Faculty Association Meeting Minutes

August 24, 2010

Tad Thurston called the meeting to order at 12:36.

He made a motion to approve the minutes. Pam Stout seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

Lisa Adkins gave the Treasurer's report and said the Faculty Association had \$7200 in the general fund. She asked for membership dues and said the FA currently has ten members.

Tad suggested mentioning the need for members and representatives in the division meetings.

He then gave the Chair's report.

The budget was passed over the summer.

The campus will be smoke free beginning August 1, 2011. Dr. Sechrist is starting a committee to implement this policy. Dana Tuley-Williams will represent the FA.

Plans for the new John Massey center have been approved and those plans are congruent with the college's Master Plan.

Steve Kamm asked about the possibility that the Testing Center might be moved to a less accessible location. Tad said he would find out if there was a plan to do so.

Jay Malmstrom asked about the Safety and Security Committee. Tad mentioned the possibility of a move from a security staff to a campus police force. He noted that this would be beneficial since the police force would have the ability to make arrests and receive funds from Homeland Security.

He then brought up the possibility of a FA website. Bertha Wise said this would be helpful for the self-study. She added that we are one of the final college's to undergo accreditation and documentation will become increasingly important.

Tad then turned to old business.

He asked for suggestions for possible compensation in lieu of raises.

Sue Hinton suggested a regent's roundtable. There have been new regents and lots of new faculty, she said. Tad said he is working on that.

Tad introduced new business.

He discussed the new safety notices were added to the syllabi without faculty input. Paul Buckelew asked why these policies are posted in the room and in the syllabi. Jay pointed out that lots of non-class related information is being included in the syllabi. Dana Glencross suggested a version of the classroom postings be made available for print.

Dianne Broyles said the final version was not what the Safety and Security Committee had envisioned. Jay did not feel that the committee's suggestions addressed the cause of the "shooter" incident.

Tad moved on to the changing of the adjunct meetings from Thursday to Tuesday during Prep and Planning Week. Dianne said the primary reason for this was getting new adjuncts into the system. Tad pointed out that this made for a long Tuesday and asked for suggestions.

Sue said this did not go unnoticed and that some minor tweaking could solve the problem. Jay suggested moving the division meetings to Tuesday afternoon. Lisa suggested moving convocation to later in the week. The suggestion was also made to possibly get rid of convocation entirely. Mike Franco suggested professional development be shortened.

The FA then discussed several issues with the professional development meeting. Lisa pointed out that by Thursday it was too late to implement any of the speaker's advice. Brent Noel suggested having all meetings on Tuesday. Sue said many of these ideas could be implemented over time. The consensus was that something needed to be done to change the professional development meeting.

A question was asked about WoW Sessions. Bertha said for all intents and purposes, WoW was over. She also said Glenné Whisenhunt was accepting

feedback on the professional development session and that Glenné should be a possible guest for FA.

Tad then moved on to faculty evaluations of department chairs and deans. He was not aware of an official policy in place. Steve said the evaluations were on a three-year cycle. Tad said this should be a more frequent and valuable tool. Brent said there was a tendency for information to flow in one direction (from the chairs and deans to the faculty).

Jeff Carlisle mentioned the first meeting of the Scholarship Committee and asked for further suggestions.

Chris Verschage mentioned the need for Coke Wagon volunteers.

Lisa brought up tech center agreements. Some courses had been removed from Francis Tuttle due to a lack of credentials by the teacher. Dr. Aquino later approved those courses. Lisa pointed out that these courses require being updated in the field. She felt the administration had taken the authority in these decisions. She was also upset by the lack of communication during the process.

The issue was raised about having the Testing Center open on Saturday during the summer. Dana said the Center is having trouble with tests “walking” due to an overworked staff. Tad suggested making tests available online.

Dana then asked for completion/retention rates for the OKC-Go program.

Bertha motioned to adjourn the meeting. Pam seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 1:20.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeff Cleek, Secretary