

Voice

Faculty Association Bulletin

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Oklahoma City Community College

Agenda

Faculty Association General Meeting

12:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 26, 2011

MEETING LOCATION: 3N0 Main Building

1. Minutes for March — Jeff Cleek
2. Treasurer's Report and Membership Report — Lisa Adkins
3. Scholarship Committee Report — Jeff Carlile
4. More in information technology — Dr. Robin Ying
5. Faculty input on Carson's ecological packaging rate hike — Chris Snow
6. Computer Replacement Schedule resolution — Sue Hinton
7. Election of new officers: chair-elect, secretary, treasurer, parliamentarian
8. Chair Report — Tad Thurston
9. Old Business
10. New Business
11. 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

Motion on computer replacements:

We, the Faculty Association, recommend the college adopt a regular replacement schedule for faculty, classroom and lab computers.

Faculty Association Meeting Minutes

March 22, 2011

The meeting commenced at 12:37.

Gwin Faulconer-Lippert motioned to approve the minutes. Brent Noel seconded. The minutes were approved.

Lisa Adkins gave the treasurer's report. The FA currently had over \$7,000 in the general fund and \$4490.42 in the scholarship fund.

The Make-It-Bake-It sale is scheduled for April 5. Everyone is encouraged to bring baked goods and enter the chili cook-off.

Tad Thurston gave the chair's report. He said a draft of the new grade appeals process will be passed out during division meetings.

He then introduced Dr. Robin Ying, vice-president of Information and Instructional Technology Services.

Dr. Ying began by discussing the taskforce working on finding a new Learning Management System for the college. The taskforce was scheduled to see a second vendor on Thursday. The top priority will be ease of transfer from ANGEL. The goal is to host the system outside of campus. This will give the school the benefit of 24/7 support.

Another factor is integration with Datatel. There are two finalists:

- Datatel/Moodle
- Desire 2 Learn (D2L)

A recommendation should be made by graduation.

In terms of policies, Dr. Ying said he was discussing all-faculty e-mails with Dr. Stewart. There is no way to prevent all-faculty e-mails being sent with technology, so it must be done through policies and procedures. Policies of other schools are being looked at.

Tad asked about the cost of the new LMS. Dr. Ying said the cost will vary depending on the number of students. He added that fees are a secondary consideration. Ease of use and

benefit for students and instructors are the primary concern.

Sue Hinton asked if our policies on e-mails are more restrictive than other schools. Dr. Ying did not find them to be restrictive and said the biggest concerns had to do with downloading copyrighted material and software licenses. Most of the restrictions deal with legal issues.

Carlotta Hill asked about the timeline for implementing the new LMS. Dr. Ying said once the decision has been made, we will be getting into a deployment plan. This will involve transferring courses and possibly running two LMSs at once. These issues will be addressed. Carlotta then asked if ANGEL will be used in the fall. Dr. Ying said ANGEL was budgeted for another year.

A question was asked about the possibility of the school adopting a one-card system for printing and other services. Dr. Ying said he has implemented that type of system before but added that it encompasses more than just IT. There is an aspect of it that involves college financing.

Dana Tuley-Williams asked about plans to implement a campus-wide printing solution. Dr. Ying said there were no plans at the moment. Dana said every area currently has its own approach, and it's very inefficient. Dr. Ying said that the technology aspect of it is not difficult, but the logistics of operation are. It will all depend on how the college manages it.

Sue asked Dr. Ying to comment on a PC replacement standard. He said a replacement plan is beneficial. Newer software is designed for newer hardware. Some of our educational software is made for older platforms, but overall, he felt a replacement plan is a good idea and said faculty needs to resurrect it.

Carlotta asked what a reasonable timeframe for replacement would be. Dr. Ying said it depends on the technology.

A question was asked about moving from campus servers to cloud servers. Dr. Ying gave the example of sending multiple e-mails with attachments would stress a cloud system. He said when the server is on campus there is better security and those e-mails do not stress the system because they are held on campus.

Gwin asked what schools were using the two LMS platforms the taskforce were considering. Dr. Ying did not have that information at the moment.

Tad thanked our guest. Dr. Ying said he enjoyed the dialogue and added that communication is important for IT to benefit the faculty.

Tad then discussed a proposed price hike by Carson's for more ecologically sound packaging.

Sue said she believed this was a student-driven initiative.

Tad then mentioned nominations for next year's executive committee were needed by next month's meeting. Carlotta said the FA needs to have a strong voice and encouraged everyone to encourage others to attend the April meeting.

Chris Verschage made a motion to adjourn. Jay Ramanjulu seconded. The meeting adjourned at 1:22.

**-- Respectfully submitted,
Jeff Cleek, secretary**