

**Academic Senate  
February 3, 2010  
Approved Minutes**

Academic Senate President Scott Rippy called the meeting to order at 3:03 pm.

**Members Present:** TL Brink, Robert Brown, Tom Bryant, Jodi Hanley, Steve Hellerman, Catherine Hendrickson, Jim Holbrook, Denise Hoyt, JoAnn Jones, Liz Langenfeld, Damaris Matthews, Jessica McCambly, Meridyth McLaren, Bob O'Toole, Catherine Pace-Pequeno, Mario Perez, Snezana Petrovic, Scott Rippy, Sherri Wilson

**Members Absent:** Daniel Bahner, Debbie Bogh, Ken Bryson, Frances White, Gary Williams,

**Guests:** Kris Acquistapace, Judith Ashton, Donna Ferracone, Gloria Harrison, Tor Johnsen, Ericka Paddock, Karen Petersen, Marina Serna

**I. Welcome**

**II. Approval of Minutes**

- A. January 20, 2010 - Minutes were not sent out. Will be on the next agenda

**III. President's Report**

President Gloria Harrison reported on:

- A. SERP – March 9<sup>th</sup> is the date participants will be announced. Will address how vacancies will be filled. 50% will not be replaced. Will look at the areas that have the most need first. Will base decisions on input from planning and program review and Crafton Council. One idea is to create a master list of all vacancies Districtwide. The district is looking at creating a plan if a department loses all faculty, don't want to create orphan disciplines. Outcome will depend on federal monies and state budgets.
- B. Summer - Question sent to other colleges about summer – many are eliminating. Our plan is offer a summer session with 50 sections only.
- C. Some of the events from Black History Month – AS doing a great job with speakers and events.
- D. Commended students for the Class section tombstones on campus.
- E. Save the following dates: April 8-10 for the Magic Flute and April 17 for the Gala. Money from the Gala will go to fund books. Looking at a process for loaning books to students. Need to decide which core class books the Foundation will purchase.

**IV. Treasurer's Report**

The balance stands at \$4183.43. Check written for Soup Fest, no deposits.

**V. Other Reports**

- A. Classified Senate Report  
Employee of the Year recognition process will be starting soon – will be a faculty member, a classified member and this year they are adding a manager
- B. Student Senate Report  
Talent show was a success. Students placed tombstones on the quad represent the 48 cancelled classes. Will be sending the tombstones with student comments to the legislature.

Please announce continuing Black History month events. Flyers are available AS elections coming up.

Can tombstones and comments be forwarded to our Board of Trustees?

Request to remind students and clubs to be mindful of posting guidelines.

## VI. Academic Senate President's Report

- a. Crafton Council looking at collegial consultation issue. Trying to follow closely with Title V. Doesn't seem to be a current policy for how to handle academic and professional matters that arise in the course of a meeting. Who should make this decision? We need to define this so we can be consistent.
- b. Accreditation outcome committees have been accepted. Will start the first meetings in March. Will begin recruiting members soon.
- c. EMPC is looking at QEIs –Proposed baselines and targets will come back through senate.
- d. Educational Policy Committee – will be looking at creating a Program Discontinuance Policy – isn't currently one. Policy will come back to the senate, then Crafton Council for input and approval. Given the budget and SERP replacements, there are going to be hard decisions to make. Need to determine which programs have a higher priority. This is going to have to be a Districtwide discussion.
- e. Faculty have expressed concern with the way budget decisions are made. As faculty we have the right to be involved in the process of how the budget decisions are made. We should have a budget committee on this campus. This may have helped with the decision about cutting classes. Could have had a conversation about moving monies from other categories to support adjunct. District is looking at moving to a model that would give campuses more independence – need to have a process to handle this independence.
- f. When do department chair positions end? Every three years. Do all chairs change the same year? Not a consensus about this answer.
- g. If there are any issues that we should be addressing let Scott or any one on Exec know.

## VII. Old Business

- A. Declaration of Appreciation  
Jessica showed a variety of certificate designs. Decided to keep it dignified and simple. Shakespeare quote was the winner.

## VIII. New Business

- A. Clarification for V.P. term  
The change will occur at the end of the semester. Denise Hoyt will then take over.
- B. Election of Academic Senate Historian  
Because Denise is moving to VP we have to have a new Historian. Will move election to the next agenda.
- C. 4.0 Scholarships  
**Motion:** To approve the first modification (Brink, Hendrickson, MSC, 1 No, 1 Abstention)  
*Discussion:* None  
**Motion:** To accept the second modification (Matthews, Brink, 7 yes, 8 Nos, 1 abstention, MSF)  
*Discussion:* Should GPA at time of honor convo or after the semester is done?  
**Motion:** To table until the next meeting (Brink, Hellerman, MSC)
- D. Committee load and structure  
**Motion:** To table until next meeting because of time (Wilson, Hanley, MSC)

- E. Adding Resolution from Student Interests and Report from District Assembly  
**Motion:** To add resolution from Student Interests and District Assembly Report to the agenda (Brink, Jones, MSC)
- F. Resolution from Student Interests, 1<sup>st</sup> Reading  
*Discussion:* This has been a priority identified by EMPC. Will it overwhelm student e-mails? Other duties as well. This is a great need for our campus. Concern with Senate supporting a position that isn't faculty.  
**Motion:** To continue discussion next meeting (Brown, Matthews, MSC)

**IX. Committee Reports**

- A. Curriculum – none given due to time
- B. Student Interests - none given due to time
- C. Personnel Interests - none given due to time
- D. Educational Technology - none given due to time
- E. Honors Steering - none given due to time
- F. District Assembly – the proposed fee schedule has been approved by District Assembly, but will be a hot topic. Parking increasing to \$100 with no discount for a second. Some indication that these changes had been shared and discussed by various groups on each campus, but most senators had not heard anything about these changes in fees. Faculty should address the issue. Why provide input if the decisions to put the new fees in place has already been passed?  
If you don't attend the meetings and don't participate, then you don't have a vote.

**X. CCA Report**

Luncheon on February 17, 2010  
Bowling – February 20 at 12:00  
Need recruits for executive board  
Improv show Friday & Saturday – 8:00 pm

**XI. Announcements**

**XII. Statements from the Public** (including faculty and staff)

Donna Ferracone is campaigning for the Board of Trustees. Judith Ashton is her campaign manager. Donna will be on Crafton and Valley campuses to get input from faculty and staff.

**XIII. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:38 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Meridyth S. McLaren, Secretary