Faculty Senate
Meeting Minutes
February 19, 2015
EH 101

Senators/Reps in attendance:
Aparna Palmer, Johnny Snyder, Dan Schultz-Ela, Chad Middleton, Lisa Friel, Josh Butler, Jack Delmore, Megan Glynn, TJ Gerlach, Sarah Swedberg, Laney Wooster, Anne Bledsoe

Senators/Reps absent:
Genell Stites, Elizabeth Sharp, Gayla Jo Slauson, James Ayers, Connor Boes

Guests in attendance:
Karen Urban: Health Sciences (Genell Stites proxy); Jeremy Hawkins, Kinesiology (Elizabeth Sharp proxy); Steve Werman: Academic Affairs; Carol Futhey: Academic Affairs; Tim Casey: Faculty Success Committee; Don Carpenter: GCC; Tonya Chapin: UCC; Kimberly Williams, Marketing; Mike Mansheim, Marketing; Carolyn Ferreira-Lillo, WCCC

Minutes Recorder: Melinda J. Scott

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL BY SIGN-IN
Meeting was called to order by President Aparna Palmer at 3:37 pm. Senators were reminded to sign the Roll Call sheet on the clipboard.

II. CONSENT AGENDA
A. WCCC Curriculum Committee Minutes (11.11.14)
B. WCCC Curriculum Committee Minutes (12.9.14)
C. WCCC Curriculum Committee Minutes (1.20.15)
Motion: to accept all items on the Consent Agenda as listed above. (Swedberg/Glynn); motion carried unanimously.

III. APPROVE SENATE MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING (2/5/15)
Motion: to approve the Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes of February 5, 2015. (Butler/Middleton); motion carried unanimously.

IV. STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES TO APPROVE
A. UCC Minutes (12/11/14)
Motion: to approve the UCC Minutes of December 11, 2014. (Schultz-Ela/Swedberg); motion carried unanimously.
Discussion: The remarkable number (12) of Political Science course additions was noted.

B. UCC Minutes (1/22/15), including proposed changes to the Curriculum Committee Policy and Procedures Manual
Motion: to approve the UCC Minutes of January 22, 2015. (Schultz-Ela/Friel); motion carried unanimously.
Discussion: The proposed changes to the Curriculum Committee Policy and Procedures Manual are part of the minutes. Additionally, on page 5, regarding the Amended Motion for modification of
CUAR 163: the modification applies to CUAR 145 which should cite that it is a prerequisite for CUAR 163. It was clarified that such modifications do not require a motion, simply a memo.

Motion: to move Item VI: New Business to precede Item V: CMU Marketing on the agenda. (Snyder/Delmore); motion carried unanimously.

V. PRESENTATIONS
A. CMU Marketing (Kimberly Williams, Executive Director of Marketing and Mike Mansheim, Director of Marketing and Publications)
   Senators watched a Power Point/video presentation highlighting the diverse strategies employed by the department to bring new blood to campus. Current branding catchphrase: “Mavericks Wanted.”

VI. NEW BUSINESS
A. Faculty-driven workshops/presentations for faculty (Aparna Palmer)
   —Palmer solicits ideas from Faculty Senate for workshops to benefit faculty—
   Ex: T2T could offer “writing across the curriculum” to help faculty design effective writing assignments, grade writing efficiently, and clearly establish the goal of a writing assignment
   Discussion:
   · Workshops where faculty shares information
   · Use of a “speed dating” format for information sharing
   · Satisfy professional development credential requirements
   · A book club—ex: author Ken Banks’s books
   · Application tips on creating specialized documents (for faculty and students; ex: recital program) possibly resources for students and faculty through Continuing Education?
   · Short topic presentations—faculty presenting for faculty (Faculty Colloquium a venue)
   · Mass Communications offering services for Student Showcase presentations
   · Personal webpage creation

   Palmer charges senators to query faculty within their respective departments for areas of interest.

VII. REPORTS, UPDATES & QUERIES
A. Update from Academic Affairs (Carol Futhey)
   1. Essential Learning – any course ideas, please submit to Kurt Haas or Doug O’Roark or online: http://www.coloradomesa.edu/milestone/interestform.html
   2. Program sheets incorporating the ESSL/Gen Ed switch needs to wrap up by 4/10/15
   3. Group formed to evaluate software for assessment and ePortfolios
   4. WorkLife Balance Workshop tentative date: Thursday, April 9 plus 2 repeat sessions TBA; 1-1/2 to 2 hours, 30 attendees max
   5. Student Showcase: March 4 application submission deadline
      Possible “mock trial” as a kick-off event

B. Mentoring Practices on Campus–Results from survey done by the Faculty Success Committee (Tim Casey)
   [Hand-out: “Departmental Survey Results: Mentoring new faculty and departmental cohesion - Committee for Faculty Success (12/3/2014)”]
   Reviewed handout and also discussed Distinguished Faculty Awards
C. Update on VPAA search (Chad Middleton)
   1. Top five candidates submitted to President Foster
   2. Formal interviews will begin; spending 1 to 1 1/2 days per candidate on campus
   3. The opportunity for faculty to meet with candidates is not yet known
   4. Middleton will explore the possibility of reviewing candidate CVs online

D. Executive Committee Report (Dan Schultz Ela)
   Nothing to report

E. Perceptions of Pre-Tenure Committee from Survey (Johnny Snyder)
   [Hand-out: “Pre-tenure committee survey”]
   Snyder reviewed the hand-out with the senators. Palmer charged senators to examine the survey and prepare feedback for next Faculty Senate meeting.

F. Standing Committee Update (Johnny Snyder)
   All committees are fully staffed and operational.

VIII. ADJOURN

   Motion: to adjourn the Faculty Senate meeting of February 19, 2015 (Middleton).
   Meeting adjourned at 4:59pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Melinda J. Scott, Minutes Recorder