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Minutes

Faculty Senate Regular Meeting Thursday, August 17, 2017, 2:30 pm STEM Area (Tech 126)

I. Call of Meeting to Order and Establishment of Quorum

- A. Roll Call
 - 1. In attendance were Jessica McGee (Chair), Susan Grohman (Secretary, AHS/Nursing Senator), Linda Salazar (Ex-officio), Kenneth Bachicha (ABE/ECE/Humanities Senator), Sara Vigil (Faculty-Humanities), Geno Castillo (Faculty STEM), Jacqueline Romero- Arguello (Faculty-Nursing)
- B. Establishment of Quorum
 - 1. Quorum established at 2:38 pm

II. Approval of Agenda

A. Motion to amend agenda to move election of secretary to 'I' under Discussion Items and change Approval of Minutes to April 2017 by Geno Castillo and second by Kenneth Bachicha. All in favor- ayes. No nays. Motion carries.

III. Approval of Minutes from April 2017 Meeting

- A. Corrections or additions
 - 1. Motion to approve April 2017 minutes by Kenneth Bachicha, second by Susan Grohman. All in favor aye. No nays. Motion approved.
- B. Approval of May 2017 minutes- tabled until Sept meeting

IV. Informational/Discussion Items:

- A. Introduction of Officers and Senators
 - 1. Introductions of Chair and Senators
 - 2. Rights and Responsibilities of Positions- Bylaws handed out to those in attendance
- B. First Day of Class Recommendations
 - 1. Hand out of suggestions given to those in attendance.
 - 2. Should copy be added to the minutes to post on LCC website- Susan will check into it.
- C. Benefits and Process of Joining NEA
 - 1. Kenneth discussed NEA and thoughts on unionizing. Talked with Dr. Lalla about pay increases within the next three years. Not feasible right now. Unionizing is the biggest thing we need to do. We have lack of trust on our campus between faculty and administration. Another concern is job stability. LCC only education institute in Las Vegas not unionized. 75% can be faculty, staff members. Can talk to staff members about them joining as a group. Individual choice. NEA rep to come during in-service week to share information and enroll those interested.
 - 2. \$23/paycheck for fulltime faculty and \$12/paycheck for adjunct.
- D. Obtainment and Use of Contact Information for FS
 - 1. Listserv for faculty is faculty@luna.edu
- E. Discussion of Meeting Dates for Fall 2017 Semester
 - 1. Those in attendance to decide on best times for this semester to meet and share with Jessica.

F. Vacant Senate Positions

- 1. Process for Filling
 - a. Vacancies- Vice Chair and Satellite.
 - i. Satellite maybe attend minutes in person occasionally. Conference calling is unpredictable and distracting. Can they use school vehicle and coordinate with other meetings to justify use of vehicle?
 - b. Special election Kenneth will ask Daniel Kelly- via Survey monkey.
- 2. Rights and Responsibilities
- G. Solicitation of Volunteers for Standing Committees
 - 1. Elections Committee- Kenneth volunteered as Chair
 - 2. Professional Development Committee- Jessica is on this committee.
 - a. new faculty handbook coming
 - 3. Curriculum Committee- Susan volunteered as Chair
 - a. No meeting scheduled yet.
- H. Goals for year
 - 1. How can faculty work to retain students?
 - 2. Faculty feel disempowered- how can FS help?
 - 3. Title IV videos to welcome faculty and students
 - 4. Senators to be on dept. meeting agendas of the departments they represent.
 - 5. NEA Collective Bargaining
 - 6. Plan Faculty Appreciation Day
 - 7. Reach out to new directors regarding FS senator needs.
 - 8. Ideas for Dec in-service week- team building, NEA, Faculty/Staff appreciation
 - 9. Publish summary of goals accomplished form last year.
 - 10. Senators to get list of fulltime and adjunct faculty from their represented department directors.
 - 11. Contact and support all faculty.
 - 12. Senators required to attend a BOT meeting.
- I. Election of Secretary- tabled for next meeting and move to Action items and vacancies

V. Action Items

- A. Approve special election for Vice Chair
 - 1. Motion to approve special election for Vice Chair by Geno Castillo, second by Susan Grohman. All in favor aye. No nays. Motion approved
- B. Confirm Meeting Dates
 - 1. Motion to table by Kenneth Bachicha, second by Susan Grohman.
 - 2. Jessica will email all FS and ask for suggestions.

VI. New or Follow-up Items for Next Meeting's Agenda

A. Establishment of Standing Committees

VII. Adjournment

A. Adjourned at 5:15 pm