

## **MINUTES**

Faculty Senate Regular Meeting

September 18th, 2020 1:00pm, Google Meet

I. Establishment of Quorum

Present were: Jason Killian (Chair), Chantel Rivera (Senator of Allied Health Services and Nursing), Kimberly Baca (Senator of Associates), Larry Fields (Senator of Humanities, Adult Basic Education and Early Childhood Education), Gene Sandoval (Senator of CTE), Rachael Lucero (Senator of STEM and Business), Sherry Goodyear (Secretary/Senator of Satellites) and Linda Salazar (Senator ex-officio/LRC).

- II. Call of Meeting to Order 1:00 P.M.
- III. Approval of Agenda Jason moved we change B to A on the agenda so our guest, Brenda Ortega could present at the beginning of the meeting. Larry motioned approving agenda with proposed changes. Gene Seconded motion carried.
- IV. Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting 9-4-2020 Gene motioned we approve minutes with corrections.
  Larry seconded. Motion carried.
- V. Informational/Discussion Items
  - A. Senators/Senate Reports
  - B. <u>Chantel Rivera (Allied Health and Nursing)</u> She is encouraging students who have not been able to get books through the bookstore to go straight to the publisher for books.
  - C. <u>Gene Sandoval (CTE)</u> Seth has been out sick for a couple of weeks. Karen is back in the office. There are a few classes meeting face to face, but most are meeting online.
  - D. <u>Kimberly Baca (Associates)</u> She encourages her students to use Chegg for their books which provides a digital copy for students to use while they are awaiting the arrival of the physical copies of their books.
  - E. <u>Rachael Lucero (STEM and Business) –</u> STEM is writing a USDA grant in conjunction with UNM, NMHU, Edward Martinez etc. where students would be able to spend time at the Wind River Ranch in Valmora, NM which is a Bison/wild-life refuge that would allow students an opportunity for hands on experience in various STEM pursuits.

Also, STEM students are still having issues getting books. It has been rough getting science kits, etc. We must figure out a different source for student materials as this way is not working. Janice Varela wants to know when Passport with be updated, but Jason reported that Matthew Bowie said it will not be updated. She followed up on what is happening with all of the committees that were started in January. Jason said he will try to get Dr. Patterson on the Shared Governance Agenda for next week to see if he can find out.

F. <u>Larry Fields (Humanities, Adult Basic Education, and Early Education</u>) —-nothing to report aside from Brenda Ortega's "Tested Experience Policy" presentation the Academic Leadership committee has been working on.

- G. <u>Linda Salazar (Ex Officio/LRC)</u>-the library's book drop has been installed. Students must call and make an appointment so arrangements can be made with security to let them up the hill to pick books up from the drop off.
- H. <u>Sherry Goodyear (Secretary/Satellites</u>)-Contacted the two satellite campuses (Springer and Santa Rosa) as well as the Mora Branch and no one has an idea for a Satellite Senator. Both Springer and Santa Rosa say that communication between themselves and main campus is a problem. The satellites do not feel like they are being kept in the loop.
- I. <u>Jason Killian (Chair)</u> One way to deal with book store issues is to use a company like Cengage where students pay \$119 per semester and have access to all of their books.
- J. Tested Experience Policy Update (Moved A to B and vice versa). Brenda Ortega, Director of Early Childhood, presented her findings on Luna's Tested Experience Policy. To sum up the discussion:
  - a. The policy needs to be faculty driven.
  - b. Faculty senate needs to review old policy and write a fair policy that takes into consideration logic, HLC requirements, other institution's policies, and the needs of the school.
  - c. HLC criteria needs to be reviewed. (They just came out with a new handbook this month and page 28 discusses tested experience).
  - d. Whatever Faculty Senate comes up with should then be presented to Shared Governance for input.
  - e. CNM has a tested experience policy that we can review and possibly borrow from.
  - f. Whatever we do, Academic Leadership supports us.
- K. Bylaw Discussion (Tabled Rachael moved and Gene seconded. Motion carried)
- L. Special Election (Tabled Gene moved and Rachael seconded. Motion carried).
- VI. Open Bills None

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VII. Action Items - None

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- VIII. New or Follow-up Items for Next Meeting's Agenda
  - -Test Experience Policy/Review HLC Handbook
    - -Bylaw Discussion
  - -Special Election

-What is happening with committees?

IX. Adjournment - 2:18 P.M. Kim motioned and Gene seconded. Motion carried.

Minutes by Sherry Goodyear, Faculty Senate Secretary