



SENATE MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 8, 2017
3:30 PM – 5:00 PM, ROOM C-120

Call to Order: 3:35 by Luis Martinez, ECCFA President

Roll Call: Pat Brutchin, Kristen Campbell, Jessica Carpenter, Mary Elfring, Diane Flahaven, Patrick Gordon, Libby Hope, Clark Hallpike, Luis Martinez, Laura Meyer, Mary O'Sullivan, Pat O'Brien, Tammy Ray, David Reich, Howard Russo, Danielle Straub, Eleanor Swanson, Kimberly Tarver, Karen Taylor, Janet Whitsitt, Steven Wood, Ruby Sanny

Absent: Christina Marrocco, Joel Peck, Scott Vaszily, Sabina Zeynalova,

Recognition of Visitors & Guests

Pete Almeida, New York Life (NYL) Agent: he is involved in financial planning and life insurance; he is focused on folks hoping to retire on a pension; he encouraged members to stay vigilant with the state legislature; he is offering an opportunity to explore maximizing pensions and health insurance after retirement; NYL is a solid company. He is working with ECC to offer an employee whole life program that is portable upon leaving ECC. Currently, ECC offers only term life insurance. There is no underwriting; employees coming in through this group option are "uninsurable." This option is not likely available to adjunct faculty. The premium is fixed for the duration. Premiums are determined by age although discounted via the group offering. The policy will extend to spouse, dependent children, and grandchildren. Tax free, payroll deduction. He will be meeting again with HR.

Tim Malone, Communications Chair

Treasurer's Report: Steven "Woody" Wood

Woody expressed gratitude for expressions of support for his wife and for him as she battles health issues. The budget is balanced; nothing unexpected.

Secretary's Report: Kimberly Tarver

Approval of January 25, 2017 Minutes: Pat O'Brien moved and Tammy Ray seconded a motion to approve the minutes. The motion passed with 2 abstentions.

Welcome back to Ruby Sanny and appreciation extended to Rabi'a Hakima who served as alternate.

President's Report: Luis Martinez

He met with Dr. Sam. Concerns raised regarding practice of modifying or removing budget items if dollars are not spent by a certain time; this is occurring earlier than years past. Spend or encumber via a blanket purchase orders, although those are also being reviewed.

1st Vice President's Report: Patrick Gordon

He received an email from Peggy regarding course capacity changes. There is a request to increase course capacity in some of the art classes from 12 to 16 students. There is concern that individual bargaining is occurring. He has also received request to decrease one class from 24 to 18.

2nd Vice President's Report: Diana Flahaven

Question: non-unit employee family member attending classes and being billed out of district tuition; refer the employee to Jennifer McClure.

3rd Vice President's Report: Sabina Zeynalova

No report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS-

- **Negotiations-** (Patrick Gordon) ECCFA all member meeting this Saturday, February 11, at 12:30 pm, in Spartan Auditorium. Please encourage attendance to this important information session. Wear buttons! The media blackout is in place until 2/24/17. Committees will be requested to meet that day as well.
- **Grievance-** (Co-Chairs: Howard Russo & Ellie Swanson) PE matter resolved; discipline matter in process; fire science matters continue; and other academic matters being addressed.
- **COPE-** (Luis Martinez) Jessica Carpenter and Pat O'Brien moved and seconded a motion to adjourn to COPE. The motion passed.
 - Guests at next meeting include BOT Candidates Jennifer Rakow, Candace McCreary, and Shane Nowack
 - Wednesday, March 8, Guests include BOT Candidates John Duffy & Roger Ramey
 - We need volunteers to assist with canvassing and distributing literature.

Pat O'Brien and Mary Elfring moved and seconded a motion to adjourn from COPE. The motion passed.

ELECTIONS & COMMITTEE REQUESTS

A motion was made by Howard Russo and seconded by Pat O'Brien to consider items # 1, 4, 5, and 6 as a consent agenda. The motion passed. Howard Russo moved to approve the consent agenda: Kris Campbell seconded the motion. The motion passed.

1. Johanna Cummings has resigned from co-chair of Learning Centered Environment Team. Chalyce Deterding has been serving on the committee and has volunteered to assume co-chair position with approval.
2. Peggy Heinrich, Interim VP TLSD requests 2 faculty members to serve on ad hoc committee to develop job description for CETL. Colleen Stribling, Tim Kaar, and Armando Trejo have volunteered to serve.
3. Leticia Starkov reports Curriculum Committee needs representatives as follows:
 - a. Opening remain for LVPA (2) and CABS (1)
4. Strategic Planning Committee is requesting members from MSE and HP. Luis Martinez volunteered to represent MSE.
5. Sick Bank requests a member to serve as Roda Ryan has temporary administrative assignment. David Martin (Radiography) has volunteered.
6. Elections Committee: members are needed to serve. Tim Anderson, Armando Trejo, and Marta Walz.

Howard moved to approve 2 of the faculty volunteers in Item # 2 for the CETL ad hoc committee, Pat O'Brien seconded. Motion passed. Howard Russo and Jessica Carpenter moved and seconded a motion to approve Colleen Stribling & Armando Trejo to serve. The motion passed.

Old Business

1. ECC Foundation Brunch: an email was sent to faculty extending invitation to attend Foundation Brunch on behalf of ECCFA. The following members will attend: Rick Bonnom, Katrina Chan-Larsen, Susan Timm, Joyce Fountain, Roxanne Bell, Abby Bailey, Therese Carpizo, Tammy Ray, Jessica Carpenter, Clark Hallpike, Kris

Campbell, Kimberly Tarver, Luis Martinez, Patrick Gordon, and Danielle Straub. Luis has offered to buy the remaining seat from the ECCFA.

New Business

1. Community College Survey of Student Engagement (CCSSE)-Random Sample; in class survey takes 60 minutes
2. HOME on Campus 2/27-2/28: Heterosexuals Organized for a Moral Environment; they have been on campus in years past; Southern Policy Law Center recognizes them as a hate group; they did successfully sue Waubonsee Community College. ECC Students are organizing; Kim Tarver moved to spend up to \$500 to pay for refreshments for students participating in action. Howard Russo seconded the motion. The motion passed.
3. Achieving the Dream Survey available through February 10

Division Issues

Adjournment: Kris Campbell moved and Jessica Carpenter seconded a motion to adjourn. The motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, February 22, 2017 at 3:30 in C-120

Save the Date! April 19, 2017, 4:00-5:00 p.m. AtD Coaches will meet with Senate.