

# **Glenville State College Faculty Senate Minutes**

October 5, 2010

## **I. Call to Order and Roll**

President David O'Dell called to order the Glenville State College Faculty Senate at 12:30 p.m. on October 5, 2010 in the Mollohan Center Multipurpose Room, Room 319.

Senators present: Paul Peck, Liza Brenner, David O'Dell, Larry Baker, Chuck Batson, Ida Mills, Kevin Evans, Jared Wilson, George Hoshell, J Morgan, Cinda Echard, and Brian Perkins

Senators absent: Shelly Ratliff (excused), Arthur DeMatteo (excused), Gary Morris (excused), Jonathan Minton (excused), Dennis Wemm (excused)

Others present: Dr. John Peek, Sara Sawyer for Gary Morris

## **II. Approval of Minutes and Ongoing Reports**

**Motion to approve minutes of September 21, 2010 Faculty Senate meeting.** Motion passes and minutes approved.

### **Reports:**

#### **Results of Senate election to recommend Faculty Marshals.**

- Recommendations sent to President Barr: Janet Bailey, Wayne de Rosset, Kevin Evans, Sherry Jones, and Rick Sypolt.

#### **ACF/Board Representative Paul Peck**

- The ACF meeting took place September 24, 2010. **(see summary attached)**

#### **Other Officers**

##### **Larry Baker (Vice President Reports):**

- No report at this time.

##### **Cinda Echard (Treasurer Reports):**

- \$550.00 left in the Senate funding.

##### **Dennis Wemm (Parliamentarian Reports):**

- No report at this time. (Parliamentarian absent.)

### **Larry Baker reports for Garry Morris. (Elections Committee Report)**

- Baker has sent out Article II language change for constitution. This election closes Tuesday.
- Faculty Representative for College Leadership Council ballot closes on Wednesday.

## **III. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **Tuition Waiver Survey**

- Baker distributed survey to 196 non-classified and classified staff. He has received 96 responses.
- Baker tagged those who did not respond and sent them the survey again.
- Baker asked people to make sure they checked their Junk email folders for the survey.
- Baker states that some staff have no access to computers. This will be relayed to staff supervisors by staff council. They will make time for staff to access a computer and complete the survey.
- Baker was surprised by the data. Seventeen spouses were interested in taking classes by 2011-15.
- Baker asks the Senate how they would like to present the data to the Board of Governors. Should he present certain data or all of the raw data?
- O'Dell states that a summary of the data would probably be a more effective presentation to the Board of Governors.
- Evans suggests he create a summary and then attach the survey at the end of the presentation.
- O'Dell states by looking at the comments that some people think the administration is holding the tuition waiver back not the Board of Governors. This is not the case.
- Echard asks is there any alternative means of giving the staff access to the survey?
- Baker responds GSC will give the staff an opportunity to access the computer.
- Baker states there will be 72 hours of tuition waivers available to non-classified and classified staff. If everyone took advantage of the tuition waivers, each person would get to take one 3 hour class.
- Perkins asks if it's an issue that there are limitations to the tuition waivers?
- Baker responds by saying this has been a very long and difficult process to get it as far as it is. Everyone will have an even playing field. Everybody is treated the same.
- Evans states we will not know how many people are going to take advantage of the waivers until we implement the program.
- O'Dell states if we can get this approved then modifications can come later.
- Baker states that personnel who want to take class during work hours might have to make up the hours by working additional hours. It's up to the supervisor.

- Peck asks if an employee can file a grievance if their supervisor refuses to let them take a class.
- Baker states that yes they can. This information is covered in the handbook.
- Evans states that some sciences classes are 4 hours long. This conflicts with the 3hr tuition waiver.
- Baker is going to share this information with the staff council.
- Peck states the Board meets Oct. 13<sup>th</sup> and there is no rush. Baker can present the tuition waivers at the December meeting. In the meantime, the staff who haven't voted can vote.
- O'Dell states that he as well as Peck will work with Baker to write the data summary.

#### **IV. NEW BUSINESS**

##### **Solicitation of questions for Dr. Barr's quarterly meeting with Senate**

- O'Dell states the deadline for questions is next Friday.

##### **Online Classes. Is a science lab taken online equivalent to one taken at a college?**

- Evans states that an online lab is not equivalent to one taken in person and it's presenting a problem.
- Morgan asks who makes the decision whether an online class is equivalent or not?
- Evans states the Registrar makes that decision.
- Sawyer states that perhaps we need to rewrite the class descriptions stating that an online lab is not equivalent.
- Evans states the Registrar is not sure that this will work and will get back to us.
- Peck states that schools do not note that classes were taken online therefore the Registrar has no idea when determining if they will accept the class or not.

#### **V. Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 1:28 p.m; motion to adjourn by Perkins/Baker (m/s). Motion passed unanimously.