

Glenville State College Faculty Senate Minutes

November 16, 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 November 16, 2010 in the Molloyhan Center Multipurpose Room, Room 319.

Senators present: Paul Peck, Liza Brenner, David O'Dell, Dorman Batson, Larry Baker, Dennis Wemm, Ida Mills, Gary Morris, Kevin Evans, Arthur DeMatteo, Jared Wilson, Shelly Ratliff and Brian Perkins

Senators absent: Cinda Echard, George Hoshell, J Morgan, and Jonathan Minton

Others present: Dr. John Peek

II. Approval of Minutes and Ongoing Reports

Motion to approve minutes of November 2, 2010 Faculty Senate meeting. Motion passes and minutes approved.

Reports:

David O'Dell (President Reports):

- Timeline of adoption of Moodle. Some faculty are going to pilot Moodle in the spring. Hope to have it up and ready by fall 2011. This is contingent on the result of the pilot of Moodle by the faculty.
- Wilson asks if it will interface with Banner?
- Mills asks if students will have access to it? Peek states "yes".
- The library is investigating how many professors use EReserves. If it just a handful, then Dr. Peek will make a decision on whether to keep it or not.
- Wemm attended the CLC meeting as O'Dell's proxy. Dr. Peek requested the CLC members to come up with the purpose of the CLC. Should the CLC become the Budget and Planning committee?
- Wemm also noted the recent discussions of the Facilities Planning committee. Renovations are on the horizon.
- Peek states the first floor of the Administration building will be renovated, along with the service area of the basement. It will be made into classrooms and become handicapped accessible. Some of this maintenance will take place over the winter break. An HVAC unit will also be installed with additional sound boards. The tier classrooms on the third floor will also get sound boards.

- Tommy Ratliff had asked to attend this Senate meeting. Due to the length of today's agenda, Senate President O'Dell has instead invited Tommy Ratcliff to the next Senate meeting November 30th. The Senate's recent discussion of van maintenance will be discussed.

ACF/Board Representative Paul Peck

- BOG meeting Wednesday, December 1st
- ACF meeting Friday, November 19th.
- Peck brought the SREB paper which recommends the limit to 120 hours for a bachelor's degree and 60 hours for an associate degree. The report has at least 50 policy recommendations designed to improve the college completion rate.
- Peck states Senator Plymale, Chancellor Nolan and (then) Governor Manchin were prominent participants in the conference at which the recommendations were adopted.
- Peck states that many institutions in other states are already at 120 hours.
- Wilson asks if GSC will have to shave off credit hours?
- Peck states there are many different ways to shave off hours.
- Wilson states this will water down the curriculum and GSC will end up spitting out graduates making them less viable in an international market.
- Baker states that for some majors there will be exceptions according to the documentation presented by Paul.

Other Officers

Larry Baker (Vice President Reports):

- The tuition waiver raw data along with the draft 2 summary of the tuition waiver results has been sent to Sherri Skidmore (Secretary for Staff Council) to be distributed to member of Staff Council.

Cinda Echard (Treasurer Reports):

- Not present

Dennis Wemm (Parliamentarian Reports):

- No report at this time.

Garry Morris. (Elections Committee Report)

- Morris noted that the Self-Study Steering Committee is scheduled to meet on the 18th.

J. Morgan. (Director of Self Study - Self Study Report)

- Not present

III. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Tuition Waiver results. (see attached).

- Baker has added every change requested from the last Senate meeting including the interpretation of results and the graph.
- Perkins requests third paragraph first sentence change. Place “And” before “84” and insert “have” before “taking” in the second sentence. Also under Interpretation of Results first sentence cross out “students” and after classes insert “larger than”.
- Evans motions to send corrected version to the Board of Governors. Evans/Wilson m/s
The motion was approved.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

Textbook Affordability Committee Appointment

- O’Dell has appointed Melissa Gish, Sungick Min and Fred Walborn to this committee. He asks for the Senate’s approval.
- Peek states the committee will probably meet once a semester.
- Motion to appoint committee as recommended by Senate President O’Dell. The motion was approved. Baker/Evans m/s

Assessment Committee Bylaws

- Senate looks at Assessment Committee Bylaws.
- Perkins states the following changes during his last assessment meeting: 1. Last version referenced a coordinator. They eliminated this language. 2. Two year term for members. 3. Updated Article IV which now reflects GSC’s catalogue. 4. Article V states elections now in fall semester. 5. Article VII now states forward recommendations to Academic Affairs.
- O’Dell asks if each committee’s bylaws should reflect the two year staggered membership rotation?
- Wemm states it should be written down somewhere, either in the bylaws or in a new Senate Manual.
- Perkins states it would be easier to change Senate language than every committee’s bylaws.
- Evans states we should include what happens if the committee member cannot fulfill their duties.
- Peck suggests that Article II should include the following: Appointed members will serve a term designated by the appointed body.
- Wemm will work on wording of the Senate Constitution 5.1 article change.

- Peek states we should change all committee bylaws using a template form which includes language common to all of them and then include them in the Faculty Manual.

V. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 1:27 p. m; motion to adjourn by Baker/Peck (m/s). Motion passed unanimously.