

# Glenville State College Faculty Senate Minutes

April 19, 2011

## 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 April 19, 2011 in the Mollohan Center Multipurpose Room, Room 319.

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

Senators absent: Jonathan Minton

Others present: Dr. John Peek, Dr. Peter Barr

## President Presents:

1. What, if any, changes are planned for online course stipends? The \$35 per student stipend serves as an incentive for faculty to teach online courses and to accept overloads in these courses. A number of online instructors are concerned that changes may be implemented without proper consultation with the faculty, or possibly during the summer when Faculty Senate will be unable to respond. We need to know, very soon, what changes may be planned.

**Barr:** There will be no changes in the amount of money faculty receive for online course stipends. A \$20 fee has been added per student to repay the Degree Works software. Currently GSC has been using an advising module to identify students who have college credits but did not graduate. GSC has been contacting them to see what credits they need to get a degree. This module will be valuable for faculty in the future.

2. What is the status of the SGA parking proposal which was endorsed by the Faculty Senate? Will there be an individual who schedules the parking lot reservations and communicates the closure with the campus community?

Barr: Dr. Peek and Jerry Burkhammer need to meet with SGA and decide the next move.

3. Section 18B-3-4 of Senate Bill 330 requires that by July 1, 2015 each HEPC institution shall equal or exceed the undergraduate graduation rate of its peers. How much improvement in graduation rate would be required for GSC to meet that goal based upon

our current graduation rate and the graduation rate of our peers? What penalties will there be if we don't achieve this goal?

**Barr:** According to IPED data, our peer institutions have a 41% graduation rate as compared with GSC which has a 33% graduation rate. This is a 8% difference. We are checking to make sure that no Associates degrees have been counted into the GSC data for this would be incorrect. The data should only reflect Bachelor's degrees. There are no penalties as it stands for institutions that do not meet this standard until 2015.

4. Section 18B-9-3 of Senate Bill 330 requires that until full funding is reached for the classified salary schedule, there can be no discretionary pay increases for faculty and non-classified staff unless adequate progress is being made toward full funding of the classified staff salary schedule. "Adequate progress" for institutions under the jurisdiction of the HEPC is:

- o 25 percent required by July 1, 2012.
- o 50 percent by July 1, 2013.
- o 75 percent by July 1, 2014.
- o 100 percent by July 1, 2015.

Will this requirement interfere with the college's salary plans for faculty and non-classified staff between now and 2015?

**Barr:** No this will not interfere.

5. Will our raise from last year be continued?

**Barr:** Yes

6. How will the legislated pay raises affect our salaries (will we get both raises)?

**Barr:** No we will not get both raises. Faculty and staff salaries will increase by 2%. The total is \$130,000. This will complement peer institutions.

7. With increased awareness of national pop tart day, do you think that GSC needs an email policy?

**Barr:** We do have an email policy here on campus. Perhaps Aramark could condense all of their announcements into one weekly announcement?

8. O'Dell: How many search committees are needed for upcoming faculty vacancies?

**Barr:** There are 2 vacancies in Business, one in Spanish, Developmental Math, Criminal Justice and Exercise Science.

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

Motion to approve minutes of March 22, 2011 Faculty Senate meeting. Motion passes and minutes approved.

### **Reports:**

David O'Dell (President Reports):

- Next Moodle meeting May 6<sup>th</sup> to discuss Moodle as being a viable choice for a faculty grade book for next year.
- O'Dell has looked into what the workload will look like for faculty next year. A policy to increase equity in work load is still up in the air depending on the budget. Some departments have more contact hours with students than other departments.
- O'Dell has asked Dr. Peek for information regarding whether department chairs will be returning next year. Faculty need to be aware of the work load shifts associated with these changes. Dr. Peek has met with the chairs and is still waiting for some responses.
- O'Dell is disappointed with recent campus emails regarding the impending shift to 120 credit hours. Feel like people are being reactionary and it seems to be turning into a turf war. The challenge is for all departments to take what they can out of the General Education classes that they teach. Future proposals should be sent to the Curriculum Committee.
- A motion for all proposals or comments regarding upcoming credit hour changes be sent to the Curriculum Committee. Wilson/Baker m/s. Motion passed.

ACF/Board Representative Paul Peck

The Advisory Council of Faculty (ACF) has invited the Faculty Senate President to the next meeting. Shepherd and Concord are currently moving towards 120 credit hours. The Board of Governor's met April 13<sup>th</sup>. Dr. Sherry Jones discussed the recent activities of the Business Department. Joe Wilmoth discussed the Master plan for GSC. 57 million for all projects with 26 million included for the new Pioneer Center. The Master plan is a 10 year plan. Projects include: Pioneer Center, parking garage, new academic building and the North entrance. Peek states the Firestone Lodge will come down for parking. This will be inexpensive and happen this summer. Also, GSC might work with the County in building a parking garage. Peck states the BOG endorsed the salary increase for faculty and staff, the tuition and fee schedule for 2012, and the Master plan has been approved. Also, refinancing the Pioneer dormitory bonds has been approved. GSC will save \$782,000 over the next 20 years.

The next ACF meeting will be on July 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> and the next meeting of the GSC Board of Governors will be on Wednesday, June 8.

## **Other Officers**

Larry Baker (Vice President Reports):

No report at this time.

Cinda Echard (Treasurer Reports):

The Faculty Senate has \$550.00 left in their account

Dennis Wemm (Parliamentarian Reports):

No report at this time.

Garry Morris. (Elections Committee Report)

No report at this time.

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

No report at this time.

Moodle:

Kevin Evans states that during the last meeting the committee members discussed the pros and cons of Moodle.

Peek states there is 9.0 Blackboard they are looking into as an alternative as well.

## **III. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

No unfinished business at this time.

## **IV. NEW BUSINESS**

No new business at this time.

## **V. Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 1:30 p. m; motion to adjourn by Morgan/Evans (m/s). Motion passed unanimously.