

Senators Present

Roger Brown, Phil Bryant, Larry Dooley, John Finley, Zewdu Gebeyehu, Pat Hogan, Burhanettin Keskin, Shamim Khan, Ellen Martin, Gisung Moon, Brad Palmer, Elizabeth Parker, Jackie Radebaugh, Eliot Rendleman, Iris Saltiel, Brian Schwartz, Melody Shumaker, Carmen Skaggs, Glenn Stokes

Guests Attending Included

Richard Baxter, Barbara Buckner, Mark Flynn, Linda Hadley, Barbara Hunt, Jay Knape, Laurie Jones, Pedro Maligo, Mark Ridley, Ellen Roberts, Gary Shouppe, Florence Wakoko-Studstill

A full audio transcript of the meeting is online at:

http://faculty.columbusstate.edu/senate/fs_04_01_2013.WMA

Executive Officer Comments and Announcements

Presenter: Pat Hogan

No recommendations or motions presented

Update the Formal Plans for Meeting the NGLC Program Requirements from its New Director

Presenter: Barbara Hunt

Handout

No recommendations or motions presented

Update on the Salary Study

Presenter: Laurie Jones

No recommendations or motions presented

Discussion of Consideration Dealing with Granting Credit for MOOC's that ACE has Accepted

Presenter: Brian Schwartz

Handout

Motion: If a student requests academic credit at CSU based on successful completion of a massively open online course (MOOC) that is offered by an accredited institution and if that institution awards its own students credit for completion of the MOOC, then CSU should accept the course for elective credit. If a student requests that the course be used as a substitute for a particular CSU course, the request should be considered for approval by the appropriate academic department using the normal procedures outlined in the handout under *Transfer Credit*.

If a student requests academic credit at CSU based on successful completion of a MOOC that is not accepted for credit at the course's home institution, then CSU should evaluate the course completion as a non-traditional prior learning experience using the normal procedures outlined in the handout under *Non-traditional Sources of Credit*.

Second

Vote: 19-0 in favor of the motion as presented

Update on Events within the Diversity Committee

Presenter: Florence Wakoko-Studstill

1. The 2nd Annual Diversity conference held on March 21-22 was a great success. About 180 people participated with students out-numbering faculty and staff. However, the greater Columbus was well represented. Participants came from various organizations including the Columbus Consolidated Government, the Chamber of Commerce, Fort Benning and SHRM (Society for Human Resource Management).

Among the key participants were:

President Tim Mescon - participated on both days

Mayor Teresa Tomlinson of Columbus, GA.

Mayor Eddie Lowe of Phenix City, AL.

Dr. Stephanie Jones, of UGA (Keynote Speaker)

Dr. Michael Forte (Principle of Marshal Middle School)

Provost Hackett

There is a growing enthusiasm in town about the diversity conference and more groups are calling to register their interest to participate next year.

The committee appreciates the encouragement it received from the Faculty Senate, and the financial support from the Provost Office that made the conference free for the CSU community.

A comprehensive report of the proceedings of the conference (including recommendations to the Senate) will be presented at the next Senate meeting.

2. Update: As part of its response to the poverty & education question discussed at the diversity conference, the Mayor's Commission is hosting a series of meetings to review the BTW and Liberty District Residential Plan. Public input is requested at these meetings, and CSU is especially encouraged to discuss the possibilities and the need to move forward. Apparently a good number of CSU students live in this area. The planned changes are bound to have a direct impact on their education.

Public Input Meeting Schedule (Mildred Terry Library, 640 Veterans Parkway)

Friday, March 29, 2013: 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Monday, April 15, 2013: 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Friday, April 19, 2013: 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Please see: <http://www.columbusga.org/pdfs/LibertyDistrict.pdf>

Update from the Distance Learning Committee

Presenter: Gary Shouppe

Handouts

Recommendation: The Distance Learning Committee will look at online course compensation and will present a report with recommendations during the Fall, 2013 semester.

Update from the Retention, Progression and Graduation Committee

Presenter Pedro Maligo

No recommendations or motions presented

Update on Military Priority Registration

Presenter: Mark Ridley

Handout

No recommendations or motions presented

New Agenda Items from the Provost's Office

Presenter: Tina Butcher

- Update from the CSU Administration: The associates in Academic Affairs and Enrollment Services have collaborated to examine the Academic Calendar and make some adjustments to better meet student and faculty needs.

No recommendations or motions presented

Other Business

Glenn Stokes reminded the Committee on Committees that it is time for the Administration Performance Review Committee to begin its work.