

COMMUNITY 2006-2007 COLLEGE ACADEMIC SENATE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 28, 2006 Auburn Hills Campus

The College Academic Senate was called to order at 3:25 p.m. by Chair Mary Ann McGee. The following individuals were present:

Auburn Hills: S. Dry, G. Mays, A. Palmer, A.

Racka, D. Schack

Guests: V. Anderson, J. Farrah, M. Graziadei,

K. House, M. Kersten-Hart, L. Scalera

Students: V. Ramsamy

District Office: J. Harper, G. Haw, L. Nadlicki Guests: L. Crews, G. Harris, T Harris, A.

Hillberry, C. Mathews, C. Patterson,

S. Reif

Highland Lakes: M. Choden, B. Dubin, E. Fett, D.

Fiems, S. Fiems, J. Lobert, L. Mastin,

M. Ston, K. VanBuren

Guests: V. Kloosterhouse

Orchard Ridge: G. Faye, D. Fisher, M. A. McGee, N.

Valenti, J. Shadko

Guests: J. Berry, K. Lichtenberg

Royal Oak/Southfield: D. Johnson-Bignotti, M. K. Lawless,

R. Nagler, D. Rowe, A. Sargeant

Guests: K. Lorencz

2) Acceptance of Agenda:

MOTION: To accept the agenda as written. Seconded, passed.

3) Approval of Minutes:

MOTION: To approve the minutes of June 22, 2006 as written. Seconded, passed

4) <u>Leadership</u>:

Chair Mary Ann McGee reported that Senate Leadership met on September 15th. Senate Leadership represents the elected officers of the Senate and all the Standing Committee Chairs. At the meeting, Dr. Reif highlighted his initiatives and focus for the Senate. One of the goals of Senate is to have a balloted proposal of General Education Attributes to take to Discipline Day in February, 2007.

5) Presentation:

None

6) Old Business:

None

7) New Business:

• Ad Hoc Committee on General Education Attributes

Mary Ann McGee reported that the General Education Ad Hoc Committee was dissolved at the end of last year. An ad hoc committee on General Education Attributes needs to be reconstituted.

MOTION: To establish a new ad hoc committee on General Education Attributes.

The Senate discussed charges for the ad hoc committee as follows:

- Review current proposals on the table.
- Draft the proposal ballot language (work with existing data) to be approved by the Senate before the February, 2007 meeting.
- The ad hoc committee would be sunsetted at the end of this academic year.

A friendly amendment was made to the motion as follows:

MOTION: The process created by the ad hoc committee will be designed to produce a winning proposal that has majority support of the academic staff. Seconded.

Discussion followed:

Changing the general education attributes will promote many other discussions.

The motion as amended passed.

Members that are interested in serving on the committee were asked to notify the CAS Chair.

• SOAC – Assessment Timeline

Vicki Kloosterhouse provided an informational overview of SOAC "Assessment Timeline" for academic years 2006 - 2010. The timeline is a four-step process that will be used to assess attributes. Each academic year SOAC is planning on assessing three attributes (one cognitive and two non-cognitive). The attributes being assessed for 2006-2007 were chosen from the ten that are currently listed in the OCC Catalog. To successfully implement this process, SOAC will need the help of the faculty.

8) Standing Committees:

- Academic Planning/Jayne Lobert
 Jayne Lobert reported that the committee is creating a membership roster and their first meeting will be in October.
- Curriculum/Mary Kay Lawless No report.

• Curriculum Review/Gail Mays

Gail Mays reported that CRC did not meet in September because there wasn't a quorum. CRC's next organizational meeting is scheduled for October 6th. Four reviews will be completed in fall 2006. Information will be sent to the faculty in October for the reviews that will take place in winter 2007.

• Student Outcomes Assessment/Vicki Kloosterhouse No additional report.

• Diversity/Jackie Shadko

Jackie Shadko reported that the Diversity Committee has met twice and they are organizing their agenda for the rest of the year. Diversity month will be held during April, 2007. The Senate was invited to attend a PDTC workshop on Friday, October 13th that will feature Dr. Joe Feagin. His topic will be "Backstage Racism."

There was a question regarding the composition of the Diversity committee which is appointed by the Chancellor's office. Mary Ann McGee will check whether this committee should be a standing or ad hoc committee of the Senate.

• TMC/Gladys Rockind

Trish Marback reported that TMC held their annual retreat on June 23rd. The first TMC meeting of the semester is scheduled for Friday, September 29th. The TMC annual report has been submitted.

• College Administrative Services Council/M. Vollbach No report.

9) Ad Hoc Committees:

• Student Life/Lloyd Crews

Kathie House and Lindsey Scalera gave an overview of the Service Learning Program at OCC. About a year ago OCC signed an agreement with Michigan Campus Compact to become a member of their organization. Service Learning is a new program at OCC and it is a teaching and learning strategy that integrates meaningful community service with instruction and reflection to enrich the learning experience. The three main components are service, learning, and reflection. Some faculty have engaged students in service learning projects to practice what they teach. 119 students participated winter semester in a number of noteworthy projects that were designed and implemented by OCC faculty.

Kathie House announced that here will be a "Community Service – Volunteer Fair" held on Tuesday, October 3rd at the Auburn Hill's Campus. Faculty, students, and staff are invited to attend.

Lyndsey Scalera reported that she has been visiting all the campuses and working with the Student Life Coordinators to promote student participation. Currently, about 30 students are engaged in the Michigan Service Scholars program. Students receive a \$1,000, non-competitive scholarship for doing 300 hours of service over the course of one year. They are looking for more participation from the college community.

- General Education Attributes/Mike Vollbach
 This committee was sunsetted last academic year.
- Higher Learning Commission/Mary Ann McGee
 Cathey Maze reported that the HLC criterion committees have started meeting again.
 The co-chairs have been asked to have the first draft of their chapter finished by November 20th. The first draft of the report will be available by April 16th and feedback will be due by the end of May. The committees have completed their research phase.
- On-line Distance Education/Gladys Rockind No report.

10) Administration:

Steve Reif highlighted his goals as follows:

- 1. Further the accreditation process and prepare for the visit of the Higher Learning Commission.
- 2. Address the issue of General Education Attributes (number, assessment, rubrics).
- 3. In support of strategic planning and task force recommendations, begin to assess and align curriculum to reflect changes in the educational environment.
 - a. Resources re-allocated for new programming (exploration of curricular opportunities to support emerging sector development)
 - b. Reduction of programs no longer viable/productive
 - c. Expansion of international options designed to address demands of a global economy
 - d. Investigation of curricular options for developmental education

Steve Reif asked the Campus Senates to consider making the Global Education Committee and the Developmental Education Committee committees of the College Senate. He will submit formal requests at next month's CAS meeting.

Mary Ann McGee asked the Campus Senates to consider these suggestions.

11) Community Comments:

• The Campus Senate Chairs introduced their new Senate members.

AH – Shawn Dry introduced faculty member Jeff Farrah

HL – Bryan Dubin introduced faculty member Monika Chodan

OR - none

RO/SF - none

DO – Janet Harper introduced Lloyd Crews and Steve Reif who are new administrators at DO

- Kathy Lorencz announced that the Global Education Committee is sponsoring an event on September 29th at the OR Campus in the Smith Theater. Preetha Kannan's sister-in-law visiting from India will present a classical flute virtuoso. The event starts at 7:30 p.m.
- Kathy Lorencz also announced that the Global Education Committee's Mission Statement was available on the distribution table.

12) Adjournment: Masting adjourned: 4:05 n m		
Meeting adjourned: 4:05 p.m.		
Respectfully submitted,		
Nick Valenti, Secretary	Nancy K. Szabo, Recording Secretary	