

Minutes
Faculty Assembly Executive Council Meeting
Tuesday, September 8, 2015
FH 115, 3:30pm

I. Call to order

Meeting was called to order at 3:35 pm.

Present: Eric Funasaki, Kathy Stein, Joseph Velasco, Bonnie Warnock, Scott Wassermann, and Mazie Will.

Absent: Sharon Hileman.

II. Approval of Minutes (4/6/2015)

Minutes from 4/6/15 were corrected and approved.

III. President's report

A. Meetings with the President

Joseph Velasco had two meetings with Dr. Kibler over the summer during which some of the following items were discussed.

B. Student Honor Code

Dr. Kibler would like to have a Student Honor Code, but wants it to be something that is initiated by the students.

C. Strategic Plan

Dr. Kibler wants to revisit the existing Strategic Plan. He wants faculty involvement in creating goals for assessment which are not in the existing Strategic Plan.

D. Centennial Publication

Dr. Kibler is considering having some kind of publication for the upcoming Centennial celebration. He is not sure what it should include. Possible things might be a history of Sul Ross, historical works, and student work.

E. Teacher Evaluation Accessibility

The TSUS Student Advisory Board has recommended to the TSUS Board of Regents that student evaluations of instruction be available to students. Discussion focused on the ramifications of making student evaluations of instruction available to the public.

F. RGC Dean

RGC's search for a Dean during the 2014-15 was unsuccessful. Thus, RGC will be conducting a new search for a Dean during the 2015-16 academic year.

G. Dual Credit Committee

SRSU has received a private donation to create dual credit CORE courses that would be tied to career learning. The Provost and Deans will be selecting faculty to create these classes.

H. Orlando SACS Meeting

Dr. Kibler and other administrators met with SACS in Orlando. As a result of this meeting, Dr. Kibler proposes hiring an outside consultant to assess the University as a trial run before the actual assessment occurs.

Also, Joseph Velasco has asked Jeanne Qvarnstrom to create a timeline of assessment deadlines that can be posted on the University website.

- I. Advancement Advisory Committee
Will provide help to Butch Worley with getting donations for the University.
- J. Data on Administration Salaries
Joseph Velasco, with help from Human Resources, has compiled a spreadsheet detailing the salaries of executive level administrators over the last 20 years.
- K. Guest Speakers
 - 1. Jeanne Qvarnstrom
Dr. Qvarnstrom will give an update on SACS assessment.
 - 2. Leslie Hopper
Ms. Hopper will request faculty collaboration with the Adelante Tejas grant project.
 - 3. Helen Crane and Jenny Penland
Ms. Crane and Dr. Penland will propose the creation of a special committee to work with the experiential learning grant project.
- L. Coaching Award Perpetual Plaque
The plaque is currently being made and will be put up in the Espino Conference Center soon.

IV. Vice-President's report
The slate of candidates for Committees and Councils for the 2015-16 academic year was presented. Discussion centered on filling vacancies due to members that left during the 2014-15 academic year.

V. Secretary/Treasurer's report
The membership list for the 2015-16 academic year is being updated. The budget for the 2015-16 academic year is \$3740. Joseph Velasco has ordered the refreshments for all of the Faculty Assembly meetings.

VI. Parliamentarian's report

VII. Old business

VIII. New business

A. *Committees and Councils*

Members need to check which Committees and Councils they are on, all Committees and Councils should meet in September, and minutes of Committee and Council meetings need to be submitted.

B. *Research Council*

Bonnie Warnock mentioned a vote on changes to the Faculty Handbook and Policy Manual concerning how proposals are submitted to the Research Council will be needed at the Faculty Assembly meeting.

IX. Announcements

X. Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned at 5:07 pm.