

Academic Senate Minutes: 11/09/12

Attending: Ryan Kreuser, Lynne Williams, Scott Smith, Jenice Meyer, Lisa Mattsson, Allen Shepard, Angie Hugdahl, Ray Reinertsen, Renee Wachter. Minutes taken by Allen Shepard, submitted by Lisa Mattsson.

- Agenda:
 - HLC self-study report approval
 - Limited term employee representation on AS Senate
 - Policies we just approved for workplace flexibility
 - Reports from subgroups
 - Lynne's agenda item

- Approve minutes from last meeting, 10/12/12:
 - Lynne moved to approve the minutes with changes.
 - Jenice seconds. Remove first point under Chancellor's report due to insufficient information.
 - Minutes approved. Ayes unanimous

- HLC self-study report approval
 - Lynne Motion to approve with comments given to Ryan by 11/20
 - Jenice Seconds
 - Unanimous approval

- Limited term employee representation on AS Senate
 - Lynne will discover current policy and will contact us before we decide what to do next.
 - Allen will forward election list to Senate.

- Policies we just approved for workplace flexibility
 - Ray motions to approve flexible workplace policy
 - Allen seconds
 - Ayes unanimous

- Future Agenda changes
 - Scott motions to include vote by email confirmation at start of Agenda followed by ongoing project status (currently including bylaws, telecommuting, workplace flexibility, constituency, election)
 - Angie seconds
 - Ayes unanimous

- Sub-Committee Reports
 - Communications Committee: 2nd newsletter went out, website is being updated. Lynne needs newsletter content.
 - Bylaws/elections/policies: There is an election that closes on Monday at 4:30pm. Allen will ask Tom Tu to send a follow up email to those who have not voted. Ryan will send forward a draft of telecommunicating policy. Ryan will send bylaws to Allen who will post to Learn Shell

- Personnel: Ryan met with Peggy Fecker about finalizing Telecommuting policy. She wants a clearer revamp.
- Professional development & awards: Great feedback about social. Tom Berg helped and deserves thanks.
- Lynne's agenda item
 - How can Senate get library to get library to consider staff input on new library materials? Allen will ask Deb what avenues non-instructional staff have for input.
- Chancellor's report
 - Received Flex Policy. Ryan will get updated policy to her.
 - What are people hearing about supplemental pay plan. We have heard little if anything so far.
 - Pay plan is under discussion at campuses.
 - Regent Behling is coming to campus week of 11/12. We will try to get more Regents on campus
 - 11/27 Budget forum about second portion of the lapse. This will include campus financial update.
 - Searches underway: Enrollment Management and Dean of Faculties.
 - Inclusive Excellence Committee will need an Academic Staff member.
 - Regent's meeting considered direction of Higher Ed, is it about more than just vocational training? How does this idea affect Liberal Arts?
- Ray motioned to adjourn. Angie seconded it. Meeting adjourned at noon.