Academic Senate Report

CALL TO ORDER: Dr. Michael Flaherty called the meeting to order at 2:33 p.m.



Members Present: Michael Flaherty, Rebecca Fournier, Ruth Hallongren, Edward Konstatny, Patricia Knol, Lauren Kosrow, Debra Krukowski, Julianne Murphy, Dennis McNamara, Jacqueline Mullany, Krysti Reece, Jennifer Giangrego, Serpil Caputlu, Justyna Geri Brewer, Mary Casey-Incardone, Christopher Clem, Archawee Dhamavasi, Beth Dunn, Justyna Koc

Ex-Officio Members: Susan Campos, Jennifer Davidson, Jodi Koslow Martin, Kevin Li, Paul Jensen, Joe Klinger

Non-Voting Members: None Present

Guests: Mary-Rita Moore, Kurian Tharakunnel, Purva Rushi, Pamela Harmon, Selma Mehmedagic, Tim Nystrom, Jessica Rubalcaba, Sandra Berryhill, Humberto Espino, Leslie Wester, Jacqueline Lynch, Angela Staunton, Calvin Washington II, Denise Jones, Gretchen Reyes, Jean Dugo, Jon Mlynski, Raquel Cotuno, Ric Segovia, Shelley Tiwari, Susan Marrato

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dr. Flaherty asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the May 12, 2020 Academic Senate Meeting. Debra Krukowski made a motion to approve, seconded by Krysti Reece. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. <u>College Curriculum:</u>

Julianne Murphy stated that PowerPoints will be available in the Curriculum Committee Blackboard shell. There were 12 course revisions and 2 deletions. The content of deleted course SAT 230 has been combined with SAT 220. VIC 291 was deleted and merged with revised course VIC 290. There were 4 revised curriculum; C401C and C201E, for added hours and courses, C201A for reduced courses, C447D title changed to Light Vehicle Maintenance Certificate

Julianne shared information on a new curriculum for C510A Paralegal Studies Certificate. This new certificate is for 31 credit hours, with a total of 10 new courses; 9 with prefix PAR and 1 with prefix BUS 107.

Dr. Flaherty made a motion to accept the curriculum report, seconded by Dennis McNamara. Motion passed unanimously.

Julianne displayed a list of courses approved by the college for online course development for fall 2020 either for revision or to be developed. It was reported that there are over 100 outstanding courses that have not gone to curriculum for revision since fall 2020. For informational purposes, links have been shared to the Triton College Career Coach and Areas of Study websites. The committee will continue discussing the issue of students being attached to more than one curriculum.

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- B. Academic & Scholastic Standards: Beth Ann Dunn indicated that the committee met September 2nd and will be meeting the first Wednesday of every month at 2 pm. Beth will send meeting information to Dr. Flaherty to share with the Senate. Members of the ASSC will be meeting with the Guided Pathways Steering committee to discuss withdrawal policy, researching best practices, and having a mechanism in place to alert students about academic and financial implications due to withdrawals. Beth asked for departments to share information regarding their withdrawal policy.
- *C.* <u>Student Development</u>: Mary Casey-Incardone indicated that the committee has not met. Once confirmed, dates will be sent to Dr. Flaherty to share with anyone who would like to participate.
- **D.** <u>Academic Support</u>: Christopher Clem, stated that the committee has not met. The team has been assembled and in the process of building a blackboard shell to be used for their meetings and communications.
- *E.* <u>Campus Quality</u>: Jacqueline Mullany indicated that the committee will have their first meeting on Thursday, September 17th. Meetings will be held the third Thursday of each month through collaborate. Everyone is welcome to participate.
- *F.* <u>Professional Development</u>: Serpil Caputlu specified that the committee conducted a survey for fall faculty workshop which will be sent out soon. The committee will meet on October 27th at 2 pm to discuss a plan for the spring 2021 workshop. They are awaiting updates, since it's still unknown if the spring workshop will be virtual or not.
- *G.* <u>Assessment</u>: Krysti Reece, new chair of Assessment, shared that the committee met last Thursday and will be meeting every first Thursday of the month. There will be an additional meeting this month due to an in-person visit from HLC on September 23rd. HLC has asked the committee to have members and fellows come in for confirmation. Krysti announced that they are in the process of selecting fellows and looking to fill in four more seats: Italian, Chinese, College Readiness Math and Humanities. The committee also discussed pushing dates in order to have everyone in. The General Education outcome to be assessed this year will be Communication; oral and written. Other committee discussions include:
 - Changes to consider with subcommittees due to inactivity and possibly merging to create more outreach for new fellows.
 - Professional Development to be focused on online assessment.
 - Reach out to experts outside of Triton College to present for Professional Development.

OPERATIONAL ASSEMBLY REPORT

Kurian Tharakunnel, stated that Operation Assembly will hold its first meet on Monday, September 14th at 1 p.m.

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NEW BUSINESS

Dr. Flaherty is suggesting to change the election rule for votes to be taken before the meeting rather than during the meeting. This will be discussed later.

A. Vote to change the PE Academic Senate seat to PE and Education.

Dr. Flaherty made a motion to approve this change, seconded by Beth Ann Dunn. Motion passed unanimously.

B. Vote to reinstate TADEC as Distance Learning and Technology and accept the new bylaws. VP Campos asked if members were expected to teach online with membership. Justyna Koc indicated that faculty positions have been filled and all are certified to teach online. VP Campos asked for this to be included in the membership in writing and also suggested a name revision, to consider not using Distance Learning in the committee name as this is associated with correspondence courses which Triton does not offer. Dr. Flaherty suggested this issue should be discussed with the committee for a bylaw change and to make a proposal in October.

Dr. Flaherty made a motion to accept this proposal, seconded by Dennis McNamara. Motion passed unanimously.

Justyna Koc stated that the new TADEC will meet the first Wednesday of each month and hold their first meeting on October 7th at 2 p.m. via blackboard collaborate. Comments and suggestions are welcome. Help with blackboard continues to be available to all faculty at bbhelp@triton.edu.

Announcements:

- On behalf of the Guided Pathways Program Mapping Workgroup, Shelley Tiwari announced that by now, all departments have received drafts of program maps from the workgroup. Faculty feedback has been requested.
- Dr. Flaherty reminded all that Academic Senate will be held on October 20th (third Wednesday), despite the move of the Faculty holiday, as some groups had already planned their schedule around that date.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by Rebecca Fournier and seconded by Jacqueline Mullany. Motion Carried.

Dr. Flaherty adjourned the meeting at **3:19 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted:	<u>Sandra Hernandez</u>
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Minutes Approved:	<u>Dr. Michael Flaherty</u>
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