

Faculty Assembly 19 Feb. 2016 Minutes

I. Call to Order 10:52

In attendance: Sonja de Vargas (m), Steve Holmes (m), Judie Strawderman, Jim Gallagher, John Adams, Pete Eidenbach, Matthew Placencio (m), Tammy Dodson (m), Gloria Villaverde (m), Wayne McGowan (m), Claire Forsmann, Susan Swaim (m), Kathy Roark-Diehl (m), Tanya Allred (m), Rob Klinger (Chair), Kim Lopez-Gallagher (Vice-chair), Colleen Bond (Secretary).

II. Minutes approved.

III. Judy Strawderman on classes for local prisons-

Background: Funding is provided from state and Federal Gov.
Two tests offered for high-school equivalency GED and HISET
Otero County Detention center-Must be a guard in the classroom at all times.
2014 new director Dan Stump is onboard for offering classes.
Started with male students. In Jan. 2015 included females. 7-20 students attend per session, 10 students maximum class size. Male and female students kept separate. 2 instructors taught in the past 1 currently. Alternate Math and Language Arts. One incident between the student and instructor
Students usually well-mannered and want to be there. Students earn certificates for attendance. Information used for court purposes-probations lessened if GED. There is a waiting list to be in the class.

Challenges:

Some guards aren't supportive
How long the students will be at the facility? Transferred elsewhere?
Released?

Discussion: What happens when students are released?

Instructors need background check, and identification.
Students need to do everything on campus students do.
A program like this facilitates students transferring to us when released.

Questions for Maria Saenz: Collect data on enrollment for funding-recidivism
How many complete when released? GED can only be done on computer.

Claire Forsmann will research facility in chaparral about their educational programs

IV. Faculty Senate Report: given in Faculty Meeting

V. Subcommittee Reports:

a. Adjunct Affairs:

BBQ for adjunct faculty on patio on Friday or Saturday near the end of April.
76 adjunct faculty working for NMSU-A

Wayne McGowan: Motion Faculty Assembly support Adjunct affairs sub-committee in moving forward to identify and dates through an online polling system for the BBQ.

b. Campus technology plan:

All faculty need appropriate technology and space to do their work including adjuncts.

Motion with the creation of new technology plan adequate resources allocated to adjunct faculty needs. Approved.

c. Non-degree enrollment-nothing new

d. Shared Governance:

Sub-committee met Feb. 10. They were charged to look at committee structure. Faculty wants support from the administration for the work we do. Discussion followed about formation of committees and the work done on the committees. Clarification-P&T is in a unique position. The President is the only one with power to form a committee, but P&T determined by policy and in communication with administration and faculty.

e. Faculty Handbook sub-committee

Shared Governance committee will request Pres. Van Winkle to create Faculty Handbook Committee.

Motion: Seeking memorandum of understanding for creation of standing committee on Faculty Handbook as part of the work as the committee on Shared governance. The formation of a Faculty Handbook committee will be one of the objectives of the Shared Governance sub-committee.

VI. New Business:

Restructuring- Faculty Senate will want a distinct vote by faculty only. Structure the process so the votes can be broken down. Faculty vote needs to be anonymous.

Discussion: One ballot with an identifier for Faculty Senate purposes and students are not voting on this.

Motion to adjourn 12:28

Adjourn 12:28