

Faculty Council Minutes

Date	5/9/16
Location	E-Meeting

1. Attendees

Role	Name
Chair	Elizabeth Rexford
Minutes Taker	Marissa Saenz

2. Agenda

	Description
1.	Old Business A. Updates from other meetings.

3. Information Items

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1.	Longevity Task Force (LTF): The Longevity Task Force met on Thursday, April 21. The task force continued revision of the draft survey to be sent out to colleges similar in size to WCJC, as well as discussed the dissemination and collection of the survey data. Tentative plans include disseminating the survey over the summer so institutions will have time to complete and submit the data. This would enable the committee to begin analysis of the data/survey results in the Fall.
2.	Campus Carry Task Force (CCTF): The Campus Carry Task Force met on Thursday, April 28. Corrections were made to the FAQs compiled by D. Woods. The CCTF will have President McCrohan review the FAQs. After review by the college president the FAQs will be posted on the WCJC web site. An e-mail account has been activated to handle questions about the new law. The CCTF is waiting for the final plan from the University of Houston and will use that as a template for the WCJC plan.
3.	Board of Trustees Meeting: The Board meeting originally scheduled for April was cancelled due to inclement weather and has not been rescheduled. Several items have subsequently been removed from the April agenda.
4.	Extended Cabinet Meeting: The Extended Cabinet met on April 14. The Faculty Council discussed plans for updating and maintaining the computers at the FBTC campus, in particular a request was made to have the old monitors that are situated under the desks removed. Rexford was given the task to report to VP Younblood on other computer issues. The IT Help Desk at FBTC has been instructed to start removal and updates during the month of May. The students raised the issue of internet access again. For the final exam period it was decided to open the library on Saturday May, 7 for several hours to ensure that students would be able to take their on-line exams and access any other on-line materials. President McCrohan expressed the desire to have accessibility for the fall 2016 semester. On May 9, 2016, in a phone conversation with Rexford, VP Collins explained that during the summer the work of Extended Cabinet will continue to ensure the passage of several revised regulations. However, VP Collins relayed that President McCrohan has stated that any regulations having a direct impact on faculty will not be approved without faculty participation.
5.	Strategic Plan: On May 4, Dr. Voorhees presented a rough draft of the Strategic Plan to the Student Success Council. The plan reflected some input from the students via the on-line survey and focus groups held at each campus. The Student Success Council was invited to

send in comments on the plan. The Plan should be posted to online --in draft form-- soon for all faculty and staff to comment on.

Currently the plan includes four goals:

1. Ensure Student Success
2. Align Educational Programs
3. Invest in Facilities and Organizational Development
4. Increase Enrollment and Retention

For each goal several new strategies and action items have been suggested. It is strongly recommended that FC members circulate this information to their peers and that the faculty carefully read and comment on the plan.

4. Action Items

	Description	Responsible Party	Due Date/Status
1.	Read and approve e-meeting minutes.	All FC	May 13
2.	Attend Extended Cabinet scheduled May 12	All FC (if possible)	May 12
3.	Read attached Faculty Awards Process document.	All FC	May 13

Chair _____

Date _____