

FACULTY COUNCIL MINUTES

Date	Tuesday, Feb. 1, 2022
Location	Via Zoom
Time	3:30 pm

Attendees

Role	Name
Chair	Peter Anderson
Minute Taker	Liz Rexford
Attendees	Peter Anderson, Liz Rexford, TK Krpec, Susan Denman-Briones, , Erma Hart, Pat Korenek, Arthur Vallejo, Debbie Lutringer, Willie Myles, Gary Bonewald, Obiagelia Nwosu, Ava Humme , Kelly Eldridge, Russel Braeur, Ross Couvillon.nd Larry Jenkins
Absent	Brady Hutchinson, Hector Weir , Tracy Simmons-Willis, and Larry Jenkins

Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 3:34

Information Items

	Description
1.	<p>New Business:</p> <p>A. Approval of Minutes: The minutes from the Dec. 2021 Faculty Council meeting and the Jan. 2022 Faculty Association meeting were approved. The Board notes from the Dec. 2021 and Jan. 2022 meeting were also approved and will be attached to the February minutes.</p> <p>B. Discussion of Results of Faculty Survey: Peter presented an overview of the results of the survey sent to all faculty several times during the fall semester. It is clear that faculty remain concerned about the Fort Bend presence of the college and many would like to see a WCJC campus remain in the Sugar Land area. In addition several suggestions for faculty involvement in increasing enrollment and marketing the WCJC brand were discussed. Faculty Council would like to present the results of the survey to both Extended Cabinet and the Board of Trustees.</p> <p>C. Replacement of Amy Acord on Faculty Evaluation Committee: Kelly Eldridge was nominated and elected to serve out the remainder of Amy's term on this committee.</p> <p>D. Discussion of Inviting New CIO to FC Meeting: Peter told FC members that the new CIO had scheduled a meeting with the FC officers for Wed. 2/2/22. Peter and</p>

	<p>Liz will be able to attending the meeting and will bring forth faculty concerns. It was still decided that a meeting with the entire FC would be beneficial and that before the meeting FC members would submit their questions/concerns in writing so that the meeting would be maximally productive.</p> <p>E. Learning Management System Update: Originally FC was to appoint a member to this committee as a second step in the process. However, the LMS committee after meeting with vendors had a clearly identifiable top contender, adding additional members to the LMS committee would not change the vote. It was decided that to expedite the process the current LMS committee would move forward with their selection. Expediting the process will enable WCJC to implement the new system while the CIO officer is present and will also enable DE to offer in person and online training before the end of the spring semester to ease the transition to the new system.</p> <p>F. Faculty Council Retreat: Peter asked FC members if they would be interested in a retreat. Most members agreed that having a meeting, off campus, would be a good idea.</p> <p>G. Fitness Center: This item had been raised at the Dec. meeting. Several students have also approached instructors with concerns about the lack of access to the Fitness Center. The students will be presenting this issue at the Feb. Extended Cabinet meeting. FC will support the students efforts.</p> <p>H. Proposed Amendment: Peter shared a draft of the proposed amendment for a vote of Confidence/No-Confidence. Several revisions, additions and corrections to the amendment were discussed. These revisions and corrections will be made and the revised proposal will be presented at the next meeting for further discussion and a vote.</p>
2.	<p>Old Business</p> <p>A. Sugar Land Testing Center: Positions have been posted and the administration is aware of how important it is to fill these positions. Individuals have been interviewed and the positions will hopefully be staffed soon.</p> <p>B. The copiers at all campuses are still not fully operational. The college is soliciting bids for new copiers.</p>
3.	<p>Extended Cabinet Items:</p> <p>A. Update on Status of Strategic Plan: This has become a standing item on the Extended Cabinet agenda at the request of the FC.</p> <p>B. Request to Present Faculty Survey Results: This will be presented to Extended Cabinet and FC Officers will also ask to present at the Board Meeting.</p>

	<p>C. Request for Marketing Presentation to FC or if not FC to the Extended Cabinet.</p> <p>D. Access to Fitness Center on Wharton Campus: FC will add this item so that students can present their information.</p> <p>E. Update on Stipend/bonus for Faculty and Staff. – This possibility was raised at the last meeting and President McCrohan stated she would see what other colleges are doing.</p> <p>F. Update on the status of signage at Sugar Land. This items was on the agenda for the Dec. meeting that was cancelled.</p>
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4.	<p>Other Items:</p> <p>A. Request for Marketing Presentation to FC or if not FC to the Extended Cabinet.</p> <p>B. Access to Fitness Center on Wharton Campus</p>
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Action Items

	Description	Responsible Party	Due Date/Status
1.	Extended Cabinet Items	FC Officers	Submission for meeting in February 2022.
2.	Revisions to Constitutional Amendment	Rexford	March Meeting
3.	Alerting Faculty Evaluation Committee on Acord Replacement	Rexford	ASAP
4.	Prepare presentation of Survey Results	FC Officers	TBD
5.	Invitation to New CIO to Attend FC Meeting	Anderson	Before March 1
6.	Report to LMS regarding approval to move forward with revised selection process.	Rexford	Completed on 2/2/22

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned 4:47 pm.

Approved at FC Meeting on March 1, 2022.

Approved by FC Chair Peter Anderson on March 3, 2022.