COASTAL CAROLINA UNIVERSITY  
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FACULTY SENATE MINUTES  
February 5, 2014  
Wall Building, Room 309  
4:30 PM

Note: The remarks of the Senators and others are summarized and not verbatim. The taped recording of this meeting is available in the Faculty Senate office or in the University Archives and Records Center.

PRESENT: Lola Adebayo, Janice Black, Monica Fine, Richard Martin, Lee Shinaberger, Jay Teets, Sam Wathen, Kimberly Carroll, Caroline Knight, Vin Porter, Lindsey Pritchard, Nancy Ratcliff, Deborah Breede, Adam Chamberlain, Mark Flynn, Yun Sil Jeon, Steve Madden, Stephanie Miller, John Navin, Denise Paster, Tripthi Pillai, Brian Roessler, Renee Smith, Dan Turner, Jesse Willis, Ogul Arslan, Brian Bunton, Erin Burge, Rajendra Dahal, Wanda Dooley, Michael Dunn, Jean French, Vladislav Gulis, Jenna Hill, Jennifer Jackson, Fang-Ju Lin, Kevin McWilliams, Erin Rickard, Sherer Royce, Dustin Thorn, Sandy Wilson, Margaret Fain, Allison Hosier, Ellen Arnold, Keshav Jagannathan, and John Beard.

SUBSTITUTIONS: Yoav Wachsman for Bomi Kang, Elena Andrei for Todd Cherner, Paul Peterson for Suheir Daoud, Wes Fondren for David Kellogg, JoAnne Flanders for Cynthia Port, and Jason Eastman for Sara Brallier.

ABSENT: Tom Secrest, Aneilya Barnes, Gwendolyn Schwinke, Jonathan Trerise, and Megan McIlreavy.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Approval of the December 4, 2013 minutes were moved by Keshav Jagannathan and seconded by Wanda Dooley. Motion passed (45 in favor, 1 not in favor).

CONSENT AGENDA: all items on the February 5, 2014 Consent Agenda passed.

PRESIDENT, PROVOST AND OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

Provost Byington:

- The Provost welcomed everyone back. The Board of Trustees meeting will be held next Thursday, February 13th and Friday, February 14th. Promotion and Tenure files will be going to the subcommittee on Thursday and then to the full board on Friday. The timeline for P&T has been a very smooth process.

- Preregistration for continuing undergraduate students is at 91.9 percent compared to 90 percent last year. This is up 1.3 percent overall and is positive in our retention efforts.

- There will be a presentation made to the board next week concerning preliminary results from the two retention committees we have in place. There are several recommendations coming out of these committees along with cost numbers as to what they think we should be investing in. The Provost will share the information once he has a finalized document. A lot of the emphasis is
on advising and putting resources into getting student’s schedules built. The other is retaining the entire student and some of the other student services and other activities that we think could be enhanced for a better experience for our students.

- The Provost sent an e-mail to the Deans earlier this week asking them to get their Degree in Three Programs ready because he would like to get the website up and running. We are still active in the recruitment phase. This program should help to attract high quality students.

- The Provost announced that David Yancey will be joining the Office of the Provost and will have two major charges. One will be getting the webpage up and running as it should be to include information that will be helpful to faculty, staff, and students. Secondly, he will be working as a liaison with the IT group to fix some of our online forms. In addition, he will also continue his efforts with the Office of the Registrar concerning prerequisites, co-requisites, etc.

At this time the Provost opened the floor for questions:

**Question:** In the Fall we received a one percent increase and were told that we would receive one half of a percent increase in the Spring if our retention numbers were up. Can you tell us what the progress is?

**Answer:** The retention number came in at 63 percent and the target was 65 percent. Therefore, we fell a little short. We will try to build a similar model this year. We will keep moving in the right direction and I’ll be a little more conservative with my estimate.

**Question:** There have been suggestions that we may want to SKYPE for candidates who are not in the continental U.S. HR’s requirement is that we must treat everyone the same. What do you gain from SKYPE as opposed to phone interviews? And, where do you stand in regards to SKYPE?

**Answer:** We have to look at the cost considerations and interviewing in an effective way. HR has invested in resources in technology that allow us to be more effective in interviewing that is currently available. This would be a decision that would be made by the individual colleges and departments within their policies and procedures.

**Dean Roberts:** The deans have agreed to add $800 each to bring in candidates to a U.S. port of entry, so this is a non-issue.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT:**

Steve Madden, Chair, presented the Executive Committee Report.

A. Administrative Actions 06 and 07 were generated and approved without stipulations. For complete details, refer to the February 5, 2014 Order of Business.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:** none.

**OLD BUSINESS:** none.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Refer to the February 5, 2014 Order of Business for complete details on the following:
A. Graduate Council Committee

1. Motion to approve a Certificate in Online Teaching and Training. The motion passed (44 in favor, 1 not in favor).

B. Student Life Committee

1. Motion to change the student membership for the Student Life Committee. An editorial change was made to the proposed language. The motion passed (47 in favor, 1 not in favor).

C. COHFA Faculty Senators

1. Motion for students applying to Coastal Carolina University will not be required to submit the writing portion of the ACT exam. The motion passed (31 in favor, 18 not in favor).

D. Yoav Wachsman, Director of the Celebration of Inquiry, lead a discussion on the 2014 Celebration of Inquiry.

- Celebration of Inquiry will be held on March 31 through April 3. Classes will not be redirected for that 4 day period. Classes will be held on Monday and on Tuesday morning.
- There will be an opening ceremony on campus with flyers being handed out starting at 12:05 p.m.
- The keynote speaker is Joe Moglia.
- Celebration of Inquiry officially ends at 5 p.m. on April 2 with a ceremony that evening to award undergraduate students in the research competition. The deadline for abstract submissions is Feb. 10. The Celebration of Inquiry presentations deadline is Feb. 21.
- The long-term vision is to have the Celebration of Inquiry yearly instead of bi-yearly. We will need to make decisions now so that it can be budgeted for next year.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Monica Streicher, Faculty Senate Recorder

Approved by Deborah Cunningham Breede, Faculty Senate Secretary