COASTAL CAROLINA UNIVERSITY
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FACULTY SENATE MINUTES
October 1, 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, Bomi Kang, Richard Martin, Lee Shinaberger, Kimberly Carroll, Todd Cherner, Richard Costner, John Delport, Vin Porter, Lindsey Pritchard, Ogul Arslan, Sara Brallier, Brian Bunton, Wanda Dooley, Michael Dunn, Jean French, Jennifer Jackson, Megan McIlreavy, Kevin McWilliams, Erin Rickard, Sherer Royce, Dustin Thorn, Richard Viso, Keith Walters, Sandy Wilson, Aneilya Barnes, Deborah Breede, Adam Chamberlain, Mark Flynn, Daniel Hasty, Kyle Holody, Yun Sil Jeon, David Kellogg, Steve Madden, Stephanie Miller, John Navin, Cynthia Port, Brian Roessler, Gwendolyn Schwinke, Renee Smith, Jonathan Trerise, Dan Turner, Jesse Willis, Terri Artemchik, Jennifer Hughes, Ellen Arnold, Michael Ruse, and John Beard.

SUBSTITUTIONS: Michael Latta for Monica Fine, David Duncan for Rajendra Dahal, Paul Peterson for Suheir Daoud, and Anna Oldfield for Tripthi Pillai.


APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Approval of the September 3, 2014 minutes were moved by Deborah Breede and seconded by Renee Smith. There were two corrections requested that are notated in red on pages 2 and 3 of the minutes. The amended minutes passed (42 in favor, 1 not in favor, 0 abstain).

OTHER: The Chair announced Brian Bunton, the Parliamentarian, would be speaking with the senators at this time. Senator Bunton distributed a two-page reference guide on parliamentarian procedures to provide assistance to new senators and a review for seasoned senators. He highlighted material concerning motions, amendments, and closed meetings.

CONSENT AGENDA: All items from the October 1, 2014 consent agenda passed.

PRESIDENT, PROVOST AND OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

President DeCenzo:
The President reported parent’s weekend was a success. He thanked everyone for their participation and for making everyone feel welcome.

Provost Byington:
The Provost reported the following updates:

- Recruitment:
The Provost received the first report from Admissions that summarized the Fall 2015 admissions report numbers to date and he reported the numbers are all very positive. The reading GRID
being used now for acceptances for applications has been moved up one notch from what has been used historically. The Provost made this adjustment while waiting on the retention committee’s report and will make further adjustments as the committee comes forward with recommendations for new freshmen and transfer students. The new charge for the committee is to look at CCU’s strategic plan for admissions and retention.

- Retention:
The Provost stated that as of Friday, and he believed it had not changed since then, the retention number was 66.9 percent. He thanked everyone for their efforts and appreciates everything that was done. He has heard comments about the atmosphere on campus and what has been going on in the classrooms. The comments have been very positive and he stressed the importance of keeping up this momentum as we continue to work towards our strategic plan goal of 72 percent or higher, as he recognizes we have the ability to do.

The final enrollment numbers are in: 2390 freshman and 566 graduate students. Our graduate enrollments are relatively small when considering our total enrollment. Fall II will increase the number; 611 is where we were last year, which is still a relatively small percentage.

- Compression:
The final count is $810,000. After the two percent mandated increase for the faculty, we were able to address just short of $500,000. This equates to about a two percent increase. The merit funding of $200,000 equates to a one percent increase. The Provost recognized Senator Arnold for bringing the issue forward to include Teaching Associates for the one half of a percent increase due in January. The President approved extending the offer to include Teaching Associates after the last meeting. The Provost stated that we are looking at about a 4.5 percent salary increase for our faculty with everything added together: the state mandated increase, the compression, and the January increase.

At this time the Provost opened the floor for questions:

**Question:** Can you talk about the announcement this week concerning guaranteed admission to the top 10 percent of South Carolina students?

**Answer:** This has been reported in the Chronicle and other places. This is a way to look at the ability to recruit high quality in-state students. It is designed to be a talking point with high schools; for us to look at those admissions we have, whether any of those students have applied from these high schools are in the top 10 percent and whether they have been admitted.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT:**

Steve Madden, Chair, presented the Executive Committee Report.

A. Administrative Actions 01 and 02 were generated and approved without stipulations. For the complete listing, refer to the October 1, 2014 Order of Business.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:** none.

**OLD BUSINESS:** none.
NEW BUSINESS:

Refer to the October 1, 2014 Order of Business for complete details on the following:

A. Faculty Welfare and Development Committee

Amanda Brian provided information on the first Faculty Excellence Summit scheduled for Tuesday, October 14, 2014 from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. on the second floor of the HTC Center.

B. Academic Affairs Committee

1. Motion to approve the new core curriculum framework (moved and seconded out of committee):

   - The Chair read the motion to place it into the record and introduced Sara Brallier, Chair of the Core Curriculum Committee, who gave an update from the committee that lasted approximately five minutes. Following her presentation, the Chair imposed a 10 minute limit for questions/answers.

   - Once the Chair declared the 10 minute allocation for questions had ended, he opened the floor for debate on the motion. He reminded everyone that all comments should be directed to the Chair and when speaking they must state whether they were in support of or opposed to the motion. A 15 minute time limit was imposed and the comments were alternated between pros and cons, beginning with the pros.

   - The debate continued until a motion was made to postpone until the December 3, 2014 meeting was made by Michael Ruse and seconded by John Navin. The motion to postpone until the December meeting failed (22 in favor, 28 not in favor, 1 abstain).

   - Further debate continued until a motion was made to end the debate. The Parliamentarian announced that a two-thirds majority vote would be needed to end the debate. The motion to end the debate passed (40 in favor, 4 not in favor, 2 abstain).

   - After considerable discussion, a vote was taken on the motion to approve the core curriculum framework. The motion passed (30 in favor, 17 not in favor, 4 abstain).

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Monica Streicher, Faculty Senate Recorder

Approved by Deborah Cunningham Breede, Faculty Senate Secretary