

Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes

January 28, 2022

Agenda

1. Approval of January Minutes
2. Stockton Institute of Peer Evaluation of Teaching (SIPET) Discussion
3. Staff Senate Update
4. Atlantic City Strategic Task Force
5. Multicultural Center Update
6. Spring 2022 Teaching Modality & K -95 Mask Update (UROC)
7. Senate Housekeeping Updates/ Information Items
 - a. Faculty Senate Election Nominating Committee
 - b. Senate Budget Increase Request for Lunch & Name Plates
 - c. Faculty Assembly with President Kesselman-February 18, 2022, Campus Center/Zoom

Meeting Minutes

1. Meeting called to order at 12:45 pm.
2. Minutes from the January Faculty Senate Meeting were approved by affirmation.
3. Stockton Institute of Peer Evaluation of Teaching (SIPET) Discussion. The Senate Executive has not received any mention of intent from Administration to do away with SIPET. Senate Executive requested a Senate vote on Executive motion calling on the formation of a SIPET Task Force. Vote was 28 yes; 3 opposed. Motion was confirmed.
4. Staff Senate Update- Natalja Manger gave an update on the efforts to establish a State Senate. The committee has met four times thus far and discussed having prospective meetings with other institutions that have established Staff Senates. The committee hopes to have a Constitution and By Laws up and approved by staff by the end of this semester and project that Staff Senate will be operational by Fall 2022.
5. Atlantic City Strategic Task Force- Provost Kahanov presented an overview of the task force that will be co-chaired by Don Hudson, Senior Vice President for Facilities and

Operations. Provost Kahanov stated that while several members of the staff and faculty have been identified to serve on the task force, there is need for additional faculty volunteers. Any faculty should email the Office of the Provost. The task force will also be seeking input from community members. Meetings will be held bi-weekly, and the goal is to have outcomes by the summer. The task force will focus on the following:

- a. Identity of the AC Campus
 - b. Initiatives coming out of AC Campus
6. Multicultural Center Update- Chris Catching, Vice President for Student Affairs, provided an update on the status of the construction of the Multicultural Center. Dr. Catchings reported that construction delays were experienced in the fall but has resumed and is back on schedule. The targeted opening of the Multicultural Center is late fall 2022. Dr. Catching also reported that the search for the Director of the Multicultural Center will commence this spring that faculty input will be sought in the search process.
7. Spring 2022 Teaching Modality & K-95 Mask Update (UROC) – Peter Baratta, Chief Planning Officer & Deputy Chief of Staff, provided an update on the availability of K-95 masks at the Galloway and AC campuses. Dr. Baratta reported that a supply of K-95 masks has been secured and are available at the information centers at Galloway and AC. Dr. Baratta reported that other masks are acceptable, but K-95 masks are preferred based upon the recommendations of the CDC. He also reported that no language has been established that indicates the type of masks that students should wear. Dr. Barrata also reported that increased testing has been made available at Galloway and AC campuses and that Stockton is partnering with Atlantic Care to offer vaccination and booster shots. Dr. Barrata also shared that UROC will provide an update on teaching modality and

procedures for faculty if changes are needed. Following Dr. Baratta's presentation, discussion regarding modifying mask mandates occurred and resulted in the proposition of the following motion: Senate recommends that the University mandate booster shots and the proper use of CDC recommended masks. Vote: 21 yes, 6 no. Motion approved. The Senate then voted on a second motion recommending that the daily COVID updates provided by administration be modified to include the number of student cases. Vote: 26 yes, 1 no. Motion approved.

8. Senate Housekeeping Updates/ Information Items:

- a. Faculty Senate Election Nominating Committee Update- there is a call from chairs for faculty to serve on this committee. Interested faculty should email any member of Senate Executive.
- b. Senate Budget Increase Request for Lunch & Name Plates- Senate allotted \$800 for light lunch for senators attending monthly senate meetings and for name plates for faculty senators.
- c. Faculty Assembly with President Kesselman-February 18, 2022, Campus Center/Zoom. Please submit questions for President Kessleman to any member of Executive Leadership

9. Meeting adjourned at 2:05 p.m.