Minutes FA Executive Committee Meeting SCC Faculty Association

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Date and Time: 1-10-2023 @ 6:00PM
Place: Momo's
Address is: 7701 Pioneers Blvd. Lincoln

Present: Hildy Dickinson, Jane Bock, Ryan Sullivan, Kirby Taylor, Susan Pallas-Duncan, Vicki Wooton, Linda Hartman, Teresa Hruza, Bob Redler, Lane Yocum, Tammy Zimmer

Absent: Mike Stalker, Tyler Lyhane, Tammie Lang,

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:03 PM.

Corrections or Additions to Agenda: Tammy made motion to accept agenda, Jane seconded, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve by Susan, seconded by Tammy motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Susan will email out. Not a lot of activity. Some legal expenses and the bill for poinsettias that were given to BOG members for Christmas.

Approval of Treasurer's Report's: motion to approve by Hildy, seconded by Jane, motion carried.

Representative to the Board Report: Linda reporting:

The Board of Governor's met at CEC on December 13, 2022.

Highlights:

- We said good-bye to outgoing board members: Ellen Weisinger, Keith Hammons, Dick LeBlanc, and Dale Kruse. They leave with a combined 20 years and 5 months of service on the board.
 - Four new board members will be sworn in at the start of the January meeting.
 They will meet with Dr. Illich and Neal Stenberg to complete orientation guided by the newly created "Board Orientation Handbook"
- Board executive assistant Amy Bassen has taken on a new position with SCC in HR so we said goodbye to her as well.
 - o In Amy's place, Blanca Sanchez-Padilla is the new executive assistant
- Many new policies and procedures were approved, primarily for sections C (Educational Services), D (Fiscal Management), and E (Personnel). See the public website for updated policies: https://www.southeast.edu/collegepolicyprocedure/
 - o NOTE: Click the tab for "recent updates" to see which P&P have been approved. Board only approves policy (not procedure)
- Dr Illich shared that a high priority in the 2023 legislative session will be LB60 which would give local boards more authority over their tax levies

- The Legislative Day for community colleges at the state capitol is scheduled for Wednesday, February 22. This is a great way for board members to meet and visit legislators and their aids to promote community colleges in the state. We share packets with SCC fact sheets, graduate report, etc.
- Tuition and fees were voted on and approved with a \$2 increase in tuition and a \$2 increase in fees
- Proposals for the Building Construction Center in Milford and the Welding Center in Lincoln were expected to be submitted to the CCPE by the holiday break
- Marguerite Himmelberg has been selected as the Work-based Learning Executive Director
- The poinsettias were well received by the board members.

Take a break for meal 6:20PM

Meeting Resumed 6:44PM

Grievance Coordinators Report: Teresa reporting. There are a few grievances to discuss, but would prefer to discuss them in executive session. Hildy made motion to enter into executive session for grievance report and legal counsel report, Jane seconded. Entered into Exec session 6:48.

Legal Counsel Report: Ryan Reporting: staying in Executive Session.

Kirby made motion to leave executive exec session Teresa seconded. Motion carried. Left exec session 7:42.

President's Report: Teresa reporting: Most items have been covered in BOG report from Linda. The all-member list has been updated. Current member count is 236. New hires have mentioned that during new employee orientation they appreciate the representation that the FA has. This is done by Teresa. I had a chance to meet the Student Senate President at the last BOG meeting. Was as good visit.

Campus Reports:

- Beatrice: Lane Reporting: Not much to report other than one new FA member. Have two new hires on the campus.
- Lincoln: Teresa Reporting: have 1 new member for FA. Not much else.
- Milford: Bob Reporting: have a couple new hires on Milford campus. Campus enrollment overall is up. With dual enrollment we are over 1000 students.

Committee Reports: None.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business:

- Membership dues The question is asked are the current dues adequate and should we consider having an increase or should we stay the same. There is discussion as to how get our base fund (War Chest) needs to be. Currently we are at around 200K. Outside sources tell us that maybe an amount of 250K minimum needs to be considered. If a dues increase is to be considered the membership will need to vote on it. It has been noted by the FA attorney that our rates are the lowest of all Community Colleges in the state.
- Use of personal time A faculty member asked if there is any opportunity for us to get a holiday off that is not one of the SCC recognized holidays. Answer is no. Personal time is best policy for this if time off is desired.

BOG: Next BOG Meeting will be Tuesday, January 17th. Meeting will take place at Milford.

Time and Place of Next Meeting: Next FA Exec. Tuesday, February 7th at 6:00PM. Meeting place is TBD in Beatrice or Zoom.

Good of the Order: None

Adjournment: 8:16 PM, 1/10/2023