Faculty Council  
December 14, 2017, 900     ST 209  
Special Meeting

Minutes

Voting Members Present: Lisa Brindley, Kathy Davis Patterson, Ashley Galati, Don Gerbig, Mariann Harding, Beth Osikiewicz, Nicole Willey (via conference call)

Ex-Officio Member Present: Brad Bielski

I. Dr. Mariann Harding – Call to Order (9:00)

II. Dean Bielski explained that he called us together for a special meeting to discuss the possibility of expanding our Veterinary Technology Program to the Ashtabula campus. Talks about this have been occurring for about a year, but it recently became apparent that Dean Stocker had a quicker timeline in mind (Fall 2018) than is possible. To help with the possibility of getting all of the appropriate approvals in time for Fall 2019, he decided to consult faculty now instead of waiting until our scheduled February meeting. Prior to the next Regional College CCC meeting, Dean Stocker and Larry Froelich requested that our Faculty Council discuss whether we would give permission for an exploration of putting the Vet Tech program in place at Ashtabula. This would not be in direct competition with the program on our campus, and it would need to go through its own AVMA Accreditation process. Additionally, Dean Bielski wants us to know that the formal proposal would come back to our campus for official approval, and that the proposal would include details about how the workload, costs, and revenue would be shared. Discussion ensued about the current benefits and difficulties of having the program housed at Trumbull. Some of the problems,
particularly related to the hiring and reappointment process of faculty who are never on our campus, need to be resolved more clearly through the Regional College and Nathan Ritchey’s office. Other problems related to services rendered at the host campus can be worked out prior to implementation, and Dean Bielski anticipates a smooth relationship. Faculty expressed concern that if our Lab Assistant would have further workload they would not be able to support the program at Ashtabula. Also mentioned was the possibility of seeing if any of Ashtabula’s programs would make sense on our campus, and that this might be the time to pursue that goal.

III. We move to give Ashtabula the permission to investigate the possibility of offering the Tuscarawas Vet Tech program. We will require more information about administrative details before we give final approval. (Osikiewicz/Gerbig)

Vote: Approved unanimously by those present. Additionally, Pech, Keiller, McEnroe-Petitte, and Li voted yes via e-mail.

IV. Meeting Adjourned (Harding) 9:39

Respectfully Submitted,

Nicole L. Willey
Secretary/Treasurer