Tuscarawas Campus Faculty Council Meeting Minutes

September 4, 2018
Founders A208

Voting Members Present: Jean Engohang-Ndong, Ashley Galati, David Graff, Jeremy Green, Scott Keiller, Beth Osikiewicz, Kathy Davis Patterson, Chitra Rajagopal, Sandra Pech, Nicole Willey

Voting Members Absent: Lisa Brindley, Hongshan Li

Non-Voting Attendees: Todd Hartline, Dhruba Panthi, Joseph VanFossen

Administrators Present: Brad Bielski

I. Call to Order: Davis Patterson called the meeting to order at 8:06 am.

II. Treasurer’s Report: No verbal report was given at the meeting. Since the last meeting, there were two withdrawals in the total amount of $90, and 1 deposit of $20. This brings the total balance to $1,065.20 for the start of the year. Green is accepting Flower Fund money for the 2018-2019 year, $20 is asked per faculty/admin and can be paid in cash or check (made out to the Tuscarawas County University Foundation) to the Treasurer (Green).

III. Standing Committee and Faculty Reports:

a. Academic Affairs: No report.
b. Academic Learning Commons: No report.
c. Community Engagement: No report.
d. Electronic Communications: No report.
e. Faculty Affairs: No report.
f. Student Affairs: No report.
g. Faculty Senate: No report.
h. RCFAC: Discussed during New Business.
IV. **Dean Bielski Administrative Report:** Dean Bielski started by noting that our Fall 2018 enrollment is up, with current levels at the time of the meeting as follows: Preponderant up 70, Concurrent up 50, and FT Equivalent up 70. Final numbers will be released on Friday. He noted that the new FT faculty are all in place and we are in the process of hiring a new second shift Security person. ALEKS computers have been slow of late and are requiring frequent reboots, new computers may be needed long term. The Tuscarawas County Branch District Board of Directors is currently entering into contract negotiations with Kent State University. As we lost an adjunct faculty member recently, Dr. Bielski will be teaching a chemistry course this semester to cover load. The Mechanical and Electrical Engineering Programs were approved for re-accreditation recently. Also, the possibility of a new model for shared programs across regional campuses is being considered by Kent State University. No details were available at this time. Finally, the campus’ 50th Anniversary celebration commences next week with events each day (the schedule is posted online and around campus).

V. **Old Business:** The committee to consider load for discipline coordinators (proposed during new business in April 24th meeting) was brought up again, with Davis Patterson, Willey, B. Osikiewicz and Graff agreeing to serve in this capacity, with Engohang-Ndong volunteering to potentially serve as well.

VI. **New Business:** Davis Patterson discussed the draft minutes from the recent RCFAC meeting, where enrollment trends and budget concerns for the regional campuses were heavy topics. Final minutes/report will be disseminated later. Scheduling for the future FC meetings is challenging due to diverse schedules of the elected members. It was decided to keep the meeting on Tuesdays at 8 am for consistency for the remainder of the semester. The dates for the next FC meetings are:

a. Tuesday, October 2, 2018 @ 8:00 am
b. Tuesday, November 6, 2018 @ 8:00 am

The schedule for Joint Faculty and Administration (JFA) meetings for this semester is as follows:

a. September 19, 2018 @ 4 pm
b. October 17, 2018 @ 4 pm
c. November 14, 2018 @ 4 pm
VII. **Announcements:** The campus Holiday party will be Tuesday, December 11, 2018. 2 supplemental travel requests were approved by the FC over the summer: 1) Akpan - $834.40 (funded at 80%), and 2) Galati - $789.84 (funded at 100%).

VIII. **Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:51 am (Engohang-Ndong).

Respectfully submitted,

Jeremy Green

Tuscarawas FC Secretary/Treasurer