

October 21, 2015 Faculty Meeting Minutes – FINAL

Faculty Chair Liza Rognas opened the meeting at 3:12 p.m.

The following announcements were made:

- Liza provided health updates on two retired faculty;
- Dylan Macardican, GSU's faculty liaison, reported on a number of matters on the GSU's behalf:
 - The GSU is asking the Bias Incident Response Team to reconsider a decision to not address the "White Lives Matter" flyers that have been posted around campus, in contrast to the Team's plan to address the T-Rex Lady and Trans Bike Night posters that have been torn down more than once; and
 - Some faculty are holding classes during governance hours, which is problematic for student involvement in governance;
- Greg Mullins reminded faculty of this Friday's lunch-time AcademX to share in-program academic statement teaching best practices;
- Emily Lardner introduced Elva Salinas from San Diego Community College, who will be visiting several academic programs;
- Zoltan Grossman and Karen Gaul announced the Indigenous Climate Justice Symposium that will occur on November 5-6, 2015;
- Eirik Steinhoff reminded faculty to fill out the faculty orientation survey if they have not already; and
- Therese Saliba reminded faculty of Dr. Keith Feldman's upcoming visit to present on Black-Palestinian Solidarity.

Collective Bargaining Announcement – Jon Davies and John Carmichael introduced their teams and announced that a tentative agreement has been reached and the ratification process is underway. The teams were thanked for their work.

Faculty Meeting Minutes -- The October 7, 2015 Faculty Meeting Minutes were approved as displayed (including some minor modifications to what was distributed).

Standing Committee on the Curriculum Update – Committee Chair Rita Pougiales introduced the committee members and reminded the faculty of their charge, primarily to develop an understanding of the scope and shape of the curriculum and work with faculty to make recommendations for change as warranted. Committee member Carri LeRoy provided information gleaned from the planning unit "listening tour" that was recently conducted. Carri indicated that the SCC is designing activities for the faculty to work on creative ways to visualize the curriculum. A Q&A session ensued.

Diversity and Equity Standing Committee Presentation & Discussion – Committee members Felix Braffith, Phyllis Esposito, Heesoon Jun and Carolyn Prouty provided some background that prompted next week's faculty and staff forum, *Coming Together: A Call to Action*, including an overview of the Diversity DTF's recommendations in 2005 that continue to inform the work of the committee. A discussion ensued.

Police Shootings in Our Communities Panel Discussion, Continued Debrief – Rashida Love provided a brief overview of the teach-in that occurred on October 7th and asked faculty to provide their impressions of the event and what they would like to see in the future. A discussion ensued.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:59 p.m.