

College Senate Minutes: Feb 25, 2016

Senators in Attendance: Bruce Miller, John McNamara, Wink Brown, Paul Creech, Carmen Yiamouyiannis, Arthur Hernandez, John Christie, Stephen Fagbemi

Guests: Mike Ligon, Guillermo Muhlmann, Kathy Herron, Andre Freeman

Chair Creech called the meeting to order at 2:35pm.

The December minutes were approved.

CAP- Mike Ligon: Mat 222 Course Statistics II accepted as presented by CAP. Concern was expressed about the prerequisite, Statistics Mat 167, and the change in the Mat 167 prerequisites which now include Quantway 104 and whether Mat 167 can still be transferred to CCSU. Motion to accept CAP's motion to not endorse TAP Mathematics Pathway is approved 5-4. Social Sciences Degree Requirements (CJ, ECE, and Communication), change in the number of required degree credits from 60-61 to 60. This was tabled. Dean Thomas was invited to come to the next meeting.

Conversation about Midterm Grade Policy. Concern was expressed that this policy should first go through governance to garner collegial support. A motion was made to accept CAP's stand that this policy move forward as a pilot for the spring, however, prior to full implementation, this policy should go through governance. M/S/A.

Technology committee: Dr. G. Technology Room 621. Kevin Lamkins is going to train faculty to use the room. Dean Thomas will be informed of the need to secure optimal use of the 21st century classroom. Michael Bies reported on the work on Phase II of the 21st century classroom project. The work group will propose two new classrooms with decentralized design (24 students capacity), plus a videoconferencing room, and two small rooms (6 people capacity). The vendor will visit CCC and submit an estimate.

College Affairs- Reviewed safety procedures.

Diversity and Inclusion: Events focused on homelessness are underway. Compassion group is selecting students to present silent, compassionate skits. The presentation will be May 5.

Planning and Review Committee: Andre Freeman. Year one operational strategic plans are being reviewed and the committee will identify strategies that require co-ordination, management and ownership.

Paul Creech mentioned concern about ways to save money such as turning off lights.

John McNamara talked about the budget cuts that will affect the college. Emphasized a return of part time scholarships and shared sacrifice.

Meeting adjourned at 4:25.

Respectfully submitted,

Carmen Yiamouyiannis

