

Regular Meeting of the State of Connecticut
Faculty Advisory Committee to the Board of Regents for Higher Education
September 14, 2018
61 Woodland St. Hartford, CT

Present:

William Lugo Chair – Faculty ECSU
Del Cummings Co-Chair – Faculty NVCC
Judy Wallace Secretary - Alternate - Faculty MxCC
Lois Aime, Member -Faculty NCC
Stephen Adair Member – Faculty CCSU
Linda Wilder - Member – Administrative Faculty COSC
Oluwole Owoye Member - Faculty WCSU
Marcia Garcia Bowen - SUOAF CCSU
Robert Brown Alternate, Faculty TXCC
Mike Shea Member – Faculty SCSU
Barbara Richards Member – Faculty HCC (Phone)
Patrice Farquharson – Faculty COSC (Phone)
Brian Kaufman Member- Faculty, QVCC (Phone)

Guests:

Mark Ojakian, President CSCU
Dr. Jane Gates Provost, CSCU

Meeting was called to order at 1:05 PM

1. Motion to approve the agenda (1st _____ 2nd _____) unanimous.
2. Discussion/Revision/Approval of August 23, 2018 minutes. Motion to approve (1st _____, 2nd _____) unanimous.
3. Academic Program Low Completer Program: Dr. Jane Gates

Dr. Gates shared the new proposal for the Academic Program/Low Completer Review Process. This policy is enacted to amend the current Academic Program Review previously established by the Board of Regents on August 21, 2014. It is intended to facilitate a process to conduct reviews of low producing academic programs in terms of the program's productivity over a three-year period. If a program is deemed a Low Completer, one of four recommendations must be made to the BOR: program termination, program suspension, program consolidation or program continuation. Procedurally, Low Completer Reports will go to the Academic and Student Affairs (ASA) committee before going to the BOR. It was unclear as to if there will be an appeals process or if the decisions to the BOR will be on a consent agenda. There was a request for follow-up and clarification. There was immediate and strong objection by members of the FAC against instituting a moratorium on new programs. FAC members felt that this would not be a

prudent decision especially during times of economic decline. Our system must remain nimble and able to respond to need.

Dr. Gates shared that several of our institutions will participate in a national pilot called the Essential Employability Qualities Certification (EEQ CERT) which is partially funded by the Lumina Foundation. EEQ CERT is intended to ensure that students graduate with the qualities needed for 21st century employment.

4. White Paper Recommendations

President Ojakian requested that each campus and various targeted constituents respond to the 10 questions that will be used by Sean Bradbury to author the *White Paper*. The questions are being disseminated and responses must be emailed to Sean by October 19. The responses should be aspirational.

5. CC Representation Subcommittee Updates

An FAC subcommittee on CC participation met before today's FAC meeting to discuss an alternative structure and changes to membership for the FAC. A draft document was shared with the FAC. A motion was made for the subcommittee to further develop bylaws and process, (1st Brown, 2ndShea) unanimous.

6. FAC Comments for October 18, 2018 joint BOR meeting

Various ideas were shared for inclusion in the comments provided by the FAC to the BOR.

7. 45th Annual Conference on Student Success and Shared Governance

Theme: *TBA*

Location: CCSU

Date: April 5, 2019

Chair: Kathy Poirier, CCSU

8. BOR Subcommittee Reports

Finance Committee: Cummings, CFO search ongoing

SF ASA CC: Wallace, Next meeting September 21, 2018.

SSC Executive Director and SSC Associate Director Search Committees: Wallace, ongoing.

General Education Committee: Brown The new core has been developed and is being circulated at various venues for comments. Concerns raised because it conflicts with TAP and income instances with credit normalization; especially with some externally accredited programs. There have been requests to allow for justified opt out scenarios for the 3 credit Student Success course as it may not be necessary for some defined student cohorts.

9. Future Meeting Dates

October 12, 2018
November 9, 2018
December 7, 2018
January 25, 2019
February 22, 2019
March 22, 2019
April 26, 2019
May 24, 2019
June 14, 2019
July 19, 2019
August 23, 2019
September 20, 2019
October 2019
November 8, 2019

10. New Business

Our new website is up. The link is under faculty resources located at the bottom.

Motion to adjourn (1st Garcia Bowen, 2nd Shea) unanimous.
Meeting adjourned at 3:55 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Wallace, FAC Secretary