

Minutes
Ohlone College Faculty Senate
April 15, 2009
3:30 - 4:30 PM
Room 1407

Members Present: Bob Bradshaw, Sharon Briggs, Claire Ellis, Victoria Loukianoff, Bob Mitchell, Susan Myers, Alyce Reynolds, Jeff Roberts, JoRainie Rodgers, Terry Taskey, Wayne Yuen

Members Absent: Anu Ganguly, Alan Kirshner, Jim McManus, Barbara Tull

Others Present: Dave Smith, Jim Wright

1. Announcements

Jackie and Tran from the Peer Mentor Program came announced that the students are looking for faculty volunteers to teach workshops to the incoming students on August 26 . In the past, topics for the workshops were True Colors and Diversity. This is part of the New Student Orientation Program. Faculty will be provided lunch, -shirts and training for the workshops. e-mail: newstudent@ohlone.edu

2. Approval of Minutes from March 18, 2009 (A)

3. Ohlone Foundation

Dave Smith, Executive Director of the Ohlone Foundation, gave a short presentation regarding the Foundation.

- The annual Golf Tournament will is in the planning stage and will be held at Castlewood Country Club. Even if you are not a golfer, attend the dinner for great socializing. There will also be an online auction.
- The Foundation is looking for donations for the auction. If you have some sports tickets that would be a great donation for one of the auction items.
- The Citizen of the Year luncheon to be held on May 30 at 11:00 AM. Ohlone Employees can attend for \$55 instead of the normal price of \$75.
- The STARS system is now in place and functioning. STARS is an online system that allows students to apply for scholarships. As of today, 335 students have at least begun the online application process. This compares to the total of 83 students who applied last Spring semester. In addition to winning a scholarships, some of the students scholarship winners will be able to attend the Citizen of the Year luncheon, courtesy of the Foundation.
- The Foundation is also continuing to expand the newly re-invigorated Employee Giving Program. This was first announced in January 2009. So far, \$20,000 has been pledged through this program.
- If the current Employee Giving Program does not have an existing scholarship/project that meets your needs, the Foundation will work with you to create something. Recent examples are a Sustainability endowment and a Athletics endowment.
- The President's Honor Roll is a new program replacing the former President's Circle. Anyone who contributes a total of \$1000 to the Foundation for any purpose is automatically a member of the Honor Roll.

4. Suggestions for using the ground floor of Building 1

- Adjunct office space
- Use the top floor of HH as the Student Lounge and use Bldg 1 for all tutorial services
- ASOC donated money to create a room at Newark to equip a room with a Wii, a pool table, a piano. If it is being used frequently, then the ground floor of Building 1 could be used for a larger student lounge with these type of features
- It is cold in the lobby. This should be taken into account.
- The Anthropology/Geology museum was previously in Building 1 and is now in a temporary home in Building 8 with very limited access since visitors must pass through an active classroom. The museum includes a mammoth tusk, the Irvingtonian Fossils and Ohlone Indian artifacts. The location needs to be accessible for K-12 tours.
- The Senate would like the College to find a permanent home for the museum in an accessible space, (not necessarily in Building 1.) Motion Myers, second Yuen. Motion approved unanimously.
- Faculty Senate should stay involved with the Facilities committee with regarding the secondary effects of the Student Services Building. When there is some news, the Facilities Committee should report.

5. **Announcement**

- If you receive an email from JoRainie Rodgers regarding a survey, please complete the survey. It is part of her doctorate program.
- The Women's Softball team won their 7th consecutive championship. Congratulations to Coach Donna Runyon and the team!