

Ohlone College Faculty Senate Minutes
October 4, 2017
3:36-5:00 p.m.
Rm. 7101

In Attendance: No name cards.

Mark Grabiner, Laurie Issel-Tarver, Andrew Wise, Nan Zhou, Brenda Ahnholz, Sobia Saleem, Sheryl Einfalt, Rob Smedfeld, Larry Heslin, Jim McManus, Jill Leontiadis, Larissa Favela, Barbara Duggal, Heather McCarty, Jesse MacEwan, Janel Tomblin-Brown, Rose Margaret Itua, Duncan MacLeod, Susan Myers

1. Approval of Minutes from Sept. 22, 2017 – B. Ahnholz (A)

- a. Discussed, fixed typos, approved

2. DE Proposal to limit online class size – H. McCarty (I)

- a. This is the second report out on this item
- b. DE has been discussing GE/Title V requirement for contact hours, teacher-student and student-student. How is it happening?
 - i. Work load
 - 1. DE is 30-50% more load than an in person class
 - 2. Certifying student to student contact is a lot more work online
 - ii. Class size
 - 1. 12-21 seems ideal
 - iii. Teacher experience and training
 - iv. Support resources
 - v. Student experience
- c. Not much research on this topic
- d. Formula for online class size (we have none)
 - i. None of the formulas out there seem well thought out.
 - ii. We have no system at all. Caps are 13-60 with one outlier of over 100
 - iii. **Recommendation: Class size in DE should be capped at 25, with flexibility for teachers and departments as needed.**
 - iv. Do we know what the impact might be on enrollment if we cap at 25?
 - 1. We do not. This is strictly a pedagogical recommendation.
- e. Requirements wise, from a student perspective, an online class is the same as an online class. Why should load be different.
 - i. Within departments, in-class and online courses that are the “Same” have different caps of students.
 - ii. How accreditation works for online classes is different than in person classes. Auditing is more intrusive in online classes.

- f. If senate makes a recommendation, it needs to be 100% clear. There are some things in this that we need to tease out.

3. Academic Renewal Revision – Jesse MacEwan (A)

- a. No substantial changes since the last discussion
- b. Removes poor grades from GPA calculations if there is cause. All classes remain on transcript. More helpful for CSU bound students than UC students.
- c. Current proposal aligns our timelines with the Bay 10 and other area CCs.
- d. [Endorsed by senate with two abstentions](#)

4. Committee on Committees Recommendations – B. Ahnholz (A)

- a. Added recommendation: Attendance clause – members are expected to hold regular attendance at committee meetings
- b. [Passed with one abstention](#)

5. Emeritus Proposal for Denise Owen – I. Reichert B. Ahnholz (A)

- a. She was here a long time and was awesome.
- b. Painted with her foot.
- c. [Passed](#)

6. Part Time Reemployment Preference - R. Smedfjeld & S. Myers (I)

- a. Re-hire rights
 - i. Concern over not being able to use criteria above minimum qualifications to assign part time faculty to specialized courses.
 - ii. Can we limit it to offering an adjunct rehire rights only in courses they have taught before?
- b. Need evaluation process
 - i. Some eval forms exist, some do not yet exist

7. Announcements – (ALL)

- a. Faculty Senate Announcement - Academic State Senate is coming to Ohlone for a 10 + 1 Training on Thursday October 19, 2017 from 10-11 am and 2-3 pm in Rm. 7101
- b. Science Night, Saturday October 7th 5:30-9:30 pm Newark Campus

Key

- I – Information
- A – Action
- C - Consent

Parking Lot of Issues for Spring 2017-2018

- 1. Part-Time Faculty Appreciation Event
- 2. Faculty Handbook or perhaps New Faculty Handbook Update

3. New Mentor Program – K. Kawasaki Hull & B. Ahnholz
4. Proposal for Retreat Rights for Deans - A. Bloom and A. Wise
5. Campus Pride Index/Civility Zone – B. Ahnholz & D. Graham