Del Mar College Faculty Council  
Meeting Minutes for Friday, March 5, 2010  
West Campus, ET 124  
2:00pm

Present: Laura Day Brown (Chair, ASI), Raquel Tapia (Asst. Chair, BPT2) Amorette Garza (Secretary, AS2), Jim Diehl (BPT1), Ben Gregory (BPT1), Eloisa Garcia (BPT2), Janell Bennett (BPT2), Patrick McBride (BPT3), William Lipman (AS2), Vernon Kramer (AS3), Gerald Sansing (AS3), Ann Thorn (BPT3), Shawnee Jones Bonnette (AS3), Renato Ramirez (AS4)

Absent: Merry Bortz (Parliamentarian, C&L) – proxy to R. Tapia, Doug Jordan (AS1), Ron Huskin (AS4) – proxy to R. Ramirez,

Guests: James Klein, Joe Dudek, Bruce Olsen

I. Call to order at 2:00pm

II. Quorum Call

III. Public Comments 2:10pm

  Joseph Dudek checks in to see how stand on the issue of Faculty load and class size. He will continue to attend to make sure this issue is not overlooked. G. Sansing has acquired some of the documentation from the previous committee work and wants to get the documentation the committee from 20 years back as well. G. Sansing and A. Thorn have requested a meeting with Dr. Figueroa. They ask to place this issue on new business to address at the next meeting.

  James Klein speaks as AAUP local chapter’s President on the issue of Chairs and the policy changes regarding responsibility of department Chairs and placement outside of policy. Requests FC to establish a sub-committee to work on some language and give that input to the committee to the Chairs subcommittee.

ACTION: L. Day Brown will appoint a sub-committee to work on language regarding placement and responsibility of Chairs back into policy.

IV. Approval of Minutes 2:18pm

  Review of minutes from the February 5, 2010 meeting. Motion by S. Jones-Bonnette to accept minutes with corrections. P. McBride 2nd. No further discussion. 15 in favor, 0 against, 1 abstention (E. Garcia). Minutes approved.

V. Officers’ Reports 2:25pm

  A. Discussion of Organizational changes – letting go of some and adding some positions and if it should be of concern to FC. George Dunson is the only Faculty being affected. R. Ramirez suggests we pass a resolution to be kept in the loop regarding reorganization. G. Sansing suggests we address these issues at the next meeting after we have some clarification. Our question is will there be any reorganizational moves that will directly affect the faculty?
L. Day-Brown advises to stay aware of what is going on and making sure the information is correct. Perhaps we should make a statement saying the FC stands behind our President and Provost subject to our concerns for Faculty and secretarial backup support.

VI. Faculty Council Standing Committee Reports 2:41pm
A. Administration and Staff Evaluation –
B. Faculty Evaluation & Academic Promotion – (A. Thorn) Mary Ann Williams has decided not to call any meetings until clarified with attorney and policy review.
C. Financial Concerns – (R. Ramirez, W. Lipman) did not meet with Dr. Sloan, but will get together this month and have something comprehensive to report at April’s meeting. Specifically regarding step pay and pay for performance.
D. Promotion Appeals Selection Committee – will not know until mid-March
E. Rules Review – (M. Bortz)
   Disparity in Representation between A&S and BPT
   L. Day-Brown asks for feedback regarding the disparity between AS and BPT. R. Tapia states her constituents were in favor of Option II. A. Thorn constituents are also in favor of Option II.
   
   Motion by R. Tapia for constitutional change, option 2 and to be sent out to all faculty for a vote. Vernon Kramer, 2nd. Discussion involved timely output of info regarding this issue. All in favor. Motion passes.

F. Committee on Committees – (R. Tapia) R. Tapia and S. Jones-Bonnette met with Dr. Figueroa, February 26. Based on copies from last year there are 13 committees, with a limit of 20 people per committee. Membership actually ranged from 6-17 with equal representation from divisions. Article 4 says, “3 year consecutive membership appears to be reasonable.” Committee membership window is two weeks and will close April 2, 2010. They must have the committee info to Dr. Figueroa by April 15, 2010.

Sansing wants to address the issue with representation that occurred with Shawnee Jones-Bonnette, so that wouldn’t happen again. Thorn wants to address the Promotion Appeals Selection Committee and that we should already have the process underway so that if there are some appeals the committee will already be in place.

ACTION: Working with A. Thorn, A. Garza will request info from Provost’s office – full professors- or election process for service on Promotions Appeals.
VII. Faculty Council College Standing Committee Reports 2:41pm

A. QEP Committee - developed motto: Mathematics – The Road to Success
B. POD –$12,000.00 left in faculty POD fund which pays for registration and not travel or membership. Transportation costs for a speaker being brought in are covered under POD, but not transportation or travel for a faculty going out. Proposals must be in the Friday before the next month’s meeting.

L. Day Brown suggests the Grant writing seminar in June and this as an appropriate funding opportunity.

Kramer has been recruited to a Committee that is being developed to smooth the transition between Collegiate High.

R. Ramirez notes the new committee General Education Assessment Committee.

ACTION: Invite Dr. Figueroa to April’s meeting to inform FC on new committees being formed.

VIII. Unfinished Business
Update on Faculty Load and Class Size

IX. New Business 3:27
A. Amendment Proposals for Faculty Count Addressed previously, see VI. E

X. Announcements 3:30pm
V. Kramer – trip to NASA
A. Thorn – TCFC $300 dollar for institutional membership

XI. Adjourn 3:33pm