

College Assembly
Minutes of Meeting
March 27, 2017

Members Present: Jeremiah Godfroy, Dave Michalak, Julie Lakin, Rosanne West, Giovanni Scaringi, Alison Sheridan-Brennan, Michael Kinney, Denise Abrams, Carine Surdey, Jamie Heron, Howard Streby, Joe DeAngelo, Laura Hodel, Fermin Romero, Angie Bergholtz, Tracy Curtis, Dr. Drumm, Francis Battisti, Debbie Morello, Penny DelFavero

Members Excused: Mark Ryan, Scott Kavulich, Michael Sullivan

Members Absent: Mary Gilbert, Sesime Adanu

Guests: Rachael Hagerman

- Call to order: 3:05 PM. Giovanni opened the meeting and welcomed the group. There were no alternates. Quorum was established, the agenda was approved and the minutes were approved with an amendment: from “god meeting” to “good meeting”.

- CA Report:

- Giovanni reported that the shared governance elections committee and the awards and recognition committee have been active and making progress. The save- the-date email went out. He thanked the members of those committees for their work.

- Student Assembly Report:

- Jeremiah reported that Amanda is at a SUNY-sponsored conference in Washington about some student-affiliated regulations.

- SA is working on promoting the homelessness awareness sleep-out; more details will be provided with the advertising. The date is May 12th – May 13th.

- COI Report:

- Carine reported that the electronic nominations form for shared governance positions should be out in a day or two. There are 15 positions open for nominations and people may nominate someone from within their constituency or self-nominate. There is also a companion website on the shared governance site. Elections will be the 1st week in May.

- Our nominees for Chancellor’s Awards in Adjunct Teaching were accepted and the nominees were notified. An announcement should be going out soon.

- We are a host for the upcoming American Heart Association Heart Walk here on campus. We’re hoping to get more financial support in the coming weeks. Erin and Deena can answer any questions you may have about it or you can go to the website. Please try and get the word out for that.

- CAI Report:

- Denise thanked Carine for the work she did on the elections committee form and spreadsheet.

- CAI didn’t meet due to the blizzard of 2017.

- The PTA club has a team participating in the Heart Walk if you are looking for a team to support.

- President’s Report:

- There’s some semi-bad news in regard to the regional community college councils. The senate passed a bill on Friday that all new academic programs will need approval from the regional college councils. This may not pass in the assembly but it’s something the governor wants. SUNY is lobbying against it. The number one criterion of new programs for SUNY is serving industry and the workforce. The regional council’s approval would be redundant. It’s possibly a step toward regionalizing the CCs. This is part of a national trend.

There was further discussion on the recent national trends of consolidation and regionalization.

- There's mixed news on the Excelsior scholarship. Simply raising the TAP threshold doesn't help us; we don't charge enough to meet it. Only the private institutions charge enough to benefit. There will be a lot of discussion and the changes will probably take place next year.

- The senate is looking at an increase of \$50/FTE and the assembly \$100/FTE. Our budget is modeled using the lower figure just to be safe. With the senate number there are eight colleges who won't lose money; with the assembly number, there are five who won't lose money. Hold harmless: if you lost enrollment this year, you would not lose money next year; and don't penalize the colleges who would get more funding based on their enrollments. Block funding is great when enrollment is going down; not so great when enrollment is going up. Changing the rules in the middle of a fiscal year isn't quite fair. If you can, reaffirm with Donna Lupardo that Broome is in favor of the current increase.

- Feedback is being collected from those who met with the two candidates for VPSED/CDO. Both are quite strong with different styles. Send your thoughts on either candidate to HR or to Kevin. He would like to make an offer by Wednesday to give the person two days to respond.

- Achieving Success: we had our exit interview with Renee and Mary. He was pleased by what they had to say and is excited about the possibilities and where we "might go" and where we can impact the success of our students. We can improve the path for our students and there are tremendous benefits to the institution. He thanked everyone for their efforts and stated that Achieving Success is a beacon for the country.

• Vice President of Academic Affairs Report:

- We report to the board every other month and give an update. Some of the highlights are: the women's institute with Mary Trudeau as keynote speaker June 22nd; service learning hours at the community soup kitchen; the civic engagement center supported the NEA's big read; Glen Hoover's exhibit: Innocent Souls. In the business area, the major design work for SUNY Broome culinary arts at Carnegie is complete and has gone out to bid. Developing a new micro brewing certificate and a new 2+2 with Cornell. In health sciences there's medical assisting's potential use of simulated reality. The music program has had an increase in enrollment. The first three courses of ESL will be online this fall. STEM has a 2+2 in food sciences and food operations management. A number of meetings with Lockheed, BAE and Amphenol working on a systems engineering program.

- Fast forward has a record number of students. There was a study done: fast forward students have a 30% higher graduation rate and a 20% higher retention rate.

- Applied learning and career center has had mock interviews.

- Strategic enrollment: MARCOM developed a "You are welcome here" international students video; it's very powerful and other colleges are looking at the impact it had.

- IT is working with Achieving the Dream and on the continuing implementation of a CRM.

- There have been two community input sessions for strategic planning.

- Innocent Souls is on display in the art gallery.

- Achieving Success: we went out to dinner with the two coaches and a few other people from the program. They are working really well; I sat in on two of the core meetings. They are doing a lot of good work. There is good data coming out that I think will surprise a lot of people and inform a lot of discussions we have.

- He distributed a handout of the Starfish snapshot. Broome has been identified as a mentoring college for Starfish. 50% of our faculty participate. We need to get that up even higher. The data includes fall to spring retention comparison of first-time full time students. Students who have faculty using Starfish are doing much better on their retention. We can send a kudo to students using Starfish, and also follow up with students aren't showing up. When you start looking at the data you can see how useful it is.

- We're working with the departments to put together the fall course schedule, to right-size it so it's sustainable.

- The FCCC will be here Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

- A process for disruptive behaviour with students will be reviewed by Executive Council.

• Vice President of Student and Economic Development Report:

- Debbie reported that there are many initiatives going on. The incubator is first and foremost. We met with our colleagues on how we can best work collaboratively. There are opportunities for grant funding when you put SUNY Broome and Binghamton University students together. Jan and I were judges at the entrepreneurship awards. BU students have just as much to gain from being in the room with our students. I'm so impressed with our students. We are good at this school at showing students what they need to successfully run a business. We're having internal and external meetings. April 18th Dr. Drumm will speak at the BU forum; we will have our own opening in the fall.
- Alberto Miller is setting up a couple summer programs in workforce development with Colombia and Peru; they will be held in NYC at the global center. We may be partnering with Comfenalco this fall and definitely next fall, and sending another cohort. Meeting with Jason Garner this week on workforce development. We need to inform Jason what we do, and ask him what we can do collaboratively to get the word out.
- Next Wednesday we will be in Albany as Dr. Drumm's delegates for the student Chancellor's awards and PTK award.
- Shelly, Ken and I will be at Cornell for the EA advisory board. Many from the East Coast will be at that meeting.
- April 8th - Destination Inspiration. Students from all around NYS come to do creative experiments.
- The IOS luncheon still has tickets available for \$6. The students could use your support.
- The task force on diversity and inclusion had diversity training for two hours in the afternoon; those trainings will continue. We will raise the bar with the new CDO and have more available to the campus community.
- The search for the BC Center director continues. Nancy will be leaving in June and will be missed.
- The women's suffragette committee; next year there will be a big roll out of activities. The student assembly may have a float in the community parade. The art exhibit in the library on suffragettes set a new bar for students.

• Vice President of Administrative and Financial Affairs Report:

- Michael was excused from the meeting.

Other Business:

- Jeremiah announced that Thursday, Friday and Saturday there will be a yard sale at the United with Christ Church to raise money for a well at an orphanage in Malawi. Donations accepted. Contact Jeremiah for more details.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:45 PM.

Next meeting date: Monday, April 10, 2017 at 3:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Penny DelFavero
College Assembly Secretary