



Executive Board Meeting
Thursday, September 2, 2010, 2:00 – 3:45 p.m.
Room 3219, Cuesta College

Approved Minutes

Present: June Beck, Kevin Bontenbal, , Victor Krulikowski, Steve Leone, Allison Merzon, Tony Rector-Cavagnaro, Debra Stakes, Mark Tomes

Absent: Marilyne Cleeves, Peet Cocke

The meeting was called to order at 2:05 p.m. by Merzon.

1. Senate Report

Leone made a formal request to CCFT to negotiate stipends for the faculty members of the Accreditation Steering Committee who will be re-writing the follow-up report to the ACCJC's recommendations. A discussion occurred regarding the process by which CCFT can negotiate stipends. Also, a discussion occurred regarding the need for faculty members to re-write the report. A concrete list of actions, recommendations, plans, etc., that had been compiled in the Spring 2010 semester to address the ACCJC's recommendations was not included in the administrators re-write over the summer.

2. Personnel Issues

Various confidential items were presented by Krulikowski and Merzon. Also, Tomes reported that a faculty member's employee identification number is printed out on student schedules, placement test scores, and unofficial transcripts when these are printed via Banner. Laura Benson, Director of Human Resources, offered no assistance having them removed.

3. Negotiations

Merzon reported that she expressed her frustration to the Board of Trustees at its most recent meeting regarding the administration not responding to CCFT's request to set some negotiation dates.

The district received notice in June 2010 from SISC that they were raising health insurance premium rates, although nobody notified CCFT of the increase. Merzon has been working to make the rate increase more palatable to faculty (such as a combination of reduced coverage but the original premium). She will organize a membership meeting to discuss the options.

Merzon said that her follow-up on a report that Costco offers free generic medication prescriptions to union members was fruitful; she found a flyer from Costco announcing the no-cost medications. She will forward the flyer to all union members. Apparently, it is not mandatory to be a Costco member to receive the free medications.

4. Accreditation and Stipends

The EB continued the discussion regarding negotiating stipends for the faculty members working on the follow-up report to the ACCJC's recommendations. The EB decided to pursue negotiations for the stipends on behalf of the faculty members.

5. - 6. Secretary's Report and Treasurer's Report

(These items were tabled due to time constraints.)

7. Strategic Plan Update

The latest draft of the Strategic Plan went to the Board of Trustees. The committee is continuing to work on it.

8. Committee Reports

COPE – The two District 4 Board of Trustees candidates will be coming to Cuesta on September 23, 2010 (in lieu of a Council of Representatives meeting) to answer questions from CCFT and audience members. Pete Sysak will start at 3:00 p.m. and end at 3:45 p.m. Members will have 15 minutes to discuss his answers (without Sysak's attendance). Charlotte Alexander will follow a similar schedule, beginning at 4:00 p.m. Stakes has requested a room and polycom and will announce the candidates' meeting when the room is confirmed.

9. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made (Rector-Cavagnaro/ Merzon) to approve the draft August 19, 2010 EB meeting minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at about 4:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Mark Tomes, Secretary-Treasurer.

Next EB meeting: Thursday, September 16, 2010, 2:00 - 3:45 p.m.

District 4 BOT Candidates Meeting: Thursday, September 23, 2010, 3:00 - 5:00 p.m.