Gordon State College Faculty Senate
Approved Meeting Minutes
November 23, 2015
Russell Hall 211  2:00 P.M.

Faculty Senate Members Present: Prof. Marlin Adams, Dr. Michael Bender, Dr. Theresa Buchanan, Prof. Bruce Capers, Prof. Beverly Eskridge, Dr. Brenda Johnson, Dr. Mark King, Prof. Rebecca Morgan, Dr. Andy Osborne, Dr. Jeff Rogers, Dr. Lynn Rumfelt, Dr. LaRonda Sanders-Senu, Dr. Richard Schmude, Dr. Wesley Venus, Prof. Mickie Weldon

Faculty Senate Members Absent: Dr. Ric Calhoun

Faculty Senate Non-Voting Members:
President Max Burns, Interim Provost & VPAA Jeffery Knighton

Call to Order:
Senator Jeffrey Rogers, Chair of the Faculty Senate

Suspension of the Rules:
Suspension of the rules to allow non-senators to speak.

Approval of Minutes: The October 26, 2015 minutes were tabled until additional committee reports are received and placed in the minutes.

Committee Reports:

Academic Judicial Committee
Senator(s): Dr. Richard Schmude and Prof. Mickie Weldon
Chair: Dr. Amanda Duffus
Recorder: Prof. Anissa Howard
Meeting: No meeting. There will be a training session with Dr. Chamberlain on Nov. 30th.

Academic Policy Committee
Senator(s): Professor Marlin Adams
Chair: Dr. Bernie Anderson
Recorder: Dr. Lynn Rumfelt
Meeting: November 13, 2015
Report:

• Approval of 10-23-15 meeting minutes.
• Proposal to change Psychology area F was approved. This proposal was to approve the current Academic Catalog description.
• Approved proposal for new courses in management – Management 3050 and Management 4900. Lab hours changed to 6.5.
• Proposal for a new nursing course – Nursing 2905. This is a one hour course which will allow nursing students, who have taken a break in their education and consequently have switched to new catalog requirements, to graduate.
AARRFA (Admissions, Advisement, Registration, Retention, and Financial Aid Committee)
Senator(s): Dr. LaRonda Sanders-Senu
Chair: Dr. Neil Boumpani
Recorder: Dr. LaRonda Sanders-Senu
Meeting: No meeting. Committee members communicate via email.

Assessment Committee
Senator(s): Dr. Lynn Rumfelt
Chair: Dr. Lynn Rumfelt
Recorder: Dr. Brian Webb
Meeting: November 2, 2015
Report: The BS Biology programs subcommittee met on Nov 2nd and agreed upon use of an assessment template designed by Dr. Brenda Johnson and also assigned tasks for each subcommittee member to complete. The BS Math programs subcommittee has met three times on Nov 2nd, Nov 9th and Nov 16th and are working well to complete their tasks for the Math program assessment template. In addition a survey has been designed by Dr. Johnson and Britt Lifsey in Institutional Research, based upon previous student surveys from Assessment and sent out to the students in both BS Biology/Biology with Teacher Certification and BS Math/Math with teacher Certification programs. Dr. Susan Glenn has resigned from the Academic Assessment Committee and will be replaced by another Math Faculty member per Department Head Dr. Nolan McMurray. The committee met on Nov 18th but a quorum was not present so minutes from Oct 14th and Oct 21st are not approved. During our meeting Terry Betkowski, Assistant VP of Institutional Effectiveness and SACSCOC Liaison, shared information about counting enrollees in each program according to BOR as well as database resources available for use by the Assessment Committee from the BOR and Integrated Post-Secondary Education Data System (IPEDS) for our Comprehensive Program Review for each program.

Budget Advisory Committee
Senator(s): Dr. Ric Calhoun
Chair: Dr. Susan Finazzo
Recorder: Dr. Masoud Nourizadeh
Meeting: No meeting.

Faculty Development Committee
Senator(s): Dr. Mark King
Chair: Dr. Prathibha Joshi
Recorder: Dr. Rhonda Wilcox
Meeting: October 28, 2015
Report: Discussed and voted on twelve funding proposals.

Faculty Welfare Committee
Senator(s): Dr. Michael Bender and Professor Bruce Capers
Chair: Dr. Phillip Jen
Recorder: Dr. Michael Bender
Meeting: October 28, November 4, 11, 18

Report:

- Primarily discussing and revising Faculty Handbook.
- Recent revisions include edits for clarity and consistency and addition of pertinent policies (i.e. Title IX).

**General Education Committee**

Senator(s): Dr. Theresa Buchanan  
Chair: Dr. Theresa Stanley  
Recorder: Dr. Masoud Nourizadeh  
Meeting: October 28, 2015  
Report:

- Discussed the need to review the assessment data collected for the 2014-2015 academic year.
- Members discussed establishing a timeline for reporting data for 2014-2015 and future academic years.
- Dr. Stanley suggested using Value Rubrics created by the Association of American Colleges and Universities for general education assessment. Might be able to use information from the rubrics to assess the general education here at GSC.
- The committee discussed the implementation of an assessment workshop that would allow faculty members to look at different models for assessment and to determine which model could work for Gordon State College.

**Gordon State College Statutes Committee**

Chair: Dr. Jeffrey Rogers  
Chair-Elect: Dr. Andy Osborne  
Recorder: Prof. Beverly Eskridge  
Parliamentarian: Dr. Brenda Johnson  
Meeting: November 9, 2015  
Report: Discussed proposed amendments in regards to GSC Representative to USG Faculty Council and Chairs of Standing Committees of GSC Faculty Senate.

**Instructional Technology Committee**

Senator(s): Dr. Wesley Venus  
Chair: Dr. Melinda Hawley  
Recorder: Dr. Erica Johnson  
Report: No meeting.

**Library Committee**

Senator(s): Dr. Brenda Johnson  
Chair: Dr. Cindy Casebeer  
Recorder: Dr. Franklin Williamson  
Report: No meeting.

**Planning Committee**

Senator(s): Dr. Andy Osborne  
Chair: Dr. Adam Davis  
Recorder: Dr. Becky Godlasky
Meeting: No meeting. However since the last Faculty Senate meeting, all committee members have been assigned plans to review and have been instructed in the use of the planning software Performance Cloud by Weave.

Old Business:

1. Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting of September 21, 2015
2. Unapproved APC Proposals from October 26, 2015
   a. Form to Alter BIOL 2210
   b. Form to Alter BIOL 2211
   c. New Course Proposal: NURS 3010
   d. New Course Proposal: NURS 3011
   e. New Course Proposal: NURS 3012
   f. New Course Proposal: NURS 3212
   g. New Course Proposal: NURS 3220
   h. New Course Proposal: NURS 3322
   i. New Course Proposal: NURS 3324
   j. New Course Proposal: NURS 4412
   k. New Course Proposal: NURS 4420
   l. New Course Proposal: NURS 4512
   m. New Course Proposal: NURS 4522
   n. New Course Proposal: NURS 4524

Discussion:

1. After much discussion, it was decided that the Faculty Senate minutes for September 2015 could not be approved without full Faculty Senate Committee reports being included. The minutes were therefore tabled until the next Faculty Senate meeting in January 2016.

   Faculty Senators should submit their committee meeting reports in writing/email to Beverly Eskridge. If the committee did not meet, the senator should still let Beverly know. The committee meeting minutes need to be sent to Dr. Osborne.

   It was approved to join Form to Alter Biology 2210 and Form to Alter Biology 2211 together for a vote. It was also decided to combine the twelve New Course Proposals for Nursing together (Nursing 3010, 3011, 3012, 3212, 3220, 3322, 3324, 4412, 4420, 4512, 4522, 4524).

2. (c, d) Dr. Lynn Rumfelt asked why a student can take Nursing 3010 and Nursing 3011 courses twice.

   Dr. Anne Purvis stated that if a student goes out of the BSN program and then returns, the courses are averaged together.

   After some discussion, it was decided that this was not the intention of the course proposals and an amendment was needed to change them.
An amendment was made to change the wording to “No” to the question “Can the course be taken more than once for college credit?” and it was approved.

Old Business: All of the forms and proposals were approved.

New Business:

1. Academic Policy Committee – Proposal Group A
   a. Signed Memo from APC of 10/23/2015
   b. Signed LS Memo of 10/22/2015
   c. Proposal: Revise English BA Program
   d. Form to Alter a Baccalaureate Program: English
   e. New Course Proposal for ARTS 2221
   f. New Form for Alter a Baccalaureate Program
   g. New Form for Alter an Area F
   h. New Form for Alter an Existing Course
   i. New Form for Eliminate an Area F
   j. New Form for Eliminate an Existing Course
   k. New Form for New Course Proposal
   l. New Form for New Honors Course Proposal
   m. New Form for New Program Proposal

2. Academic Policy Committee – Proposal Group B
   a. Signed Memo from APC of 11/13/2015
   b. New Course Proposal for MGMT 3050
   c. New Course Proposal for MGMT 4900
   d. New Course Proposal for NURS 2905
   e. Form to Alter an Area F: PSYC

3. Recommendation of Good Academic Standing Task Force

4. Statutes Committee
   a. Proposal to Amend Statutes - Committee Chairs
   b. Proposal to Amend Statutes – USG Faculty Council Representative

Discussion:

1. (b) This was a vote of support for the memo. It was pointed out that Learning Support should not be called a “program”.

1. (c) This was a vote of support of the proposal. This proposal involves splitting Eng. 3910 into advanced grammar and advance composition. This would go into effect in fall 2016.

1. (e) This course would require the student to provide his/her own digital camera.

1. (f-m) Academic unit names will be corrected on these forms reflecting the changes - Department of Math and Computer Science and Biology and Physical Sciences. These forms can be found on the Academic Affairs website and on the N: drive under Faculty Senate.

2. (d) This proposal concerns nursing students who have left the program and then return needing one more course (1 hour) to finish. This proposal will affect one semester only – spring 2016. The class will then be dropped since it will not be necessary after this semester.
3. This Task Force should help us have students who are more successful because we have gotten their attention quicker.

4. (a, b) This is the first reading of these proposals.

New Business: Academic Policy Committee - Proposal Group A and Academic Policy Committee - Proposal Group B were approved.

Announcements:

Interim Provost and VPAA Jeffery Knighton:
Dr. Knighton mentioned the Professional Standards Committee and the middle grades program. He noted that the Jazz Ensemble concert will be on November 30, 2015. The Faculty Meeting will be next Monday. It will be a short meeting to approve the graduates. He noted that the statutes amendments will go before the full faculty.

Brenda Blackstock will be retiring at the end of January. She has been at GSC for over 36 years and she has served six different vice-presidents. There will be a reception given for her.

President Max Burns:
Dr. Burns wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving. He announced the birth of Adalyn Sue Albritton, daughter of Kristen & Greg Albritton. He mentioned that Dr. Steve Raynie and Peter Higgins are working on the Task Force on Academic Standing. He wished everyone safe travels over the holiday season.

Adjournment:

Professor Beverly M. Eskridge
Secretary
Gordon State College Faculty Senate