**MINUTES**

**FACULTY SENATE**

**October 17, 2018 – 12:00-1:20pm – SCP117**

**In attendance:** Adler, Baker, Bender, Bellino, Boero, Borders, Bowen, Brennan, Bunagan, Bush, Bwire, Byrne, Curtis, Dempf, Dickinson, Fazio, Fienberg, Gevertz, Grega, Hall, LaJevic, Leonard, Li, Le Morvan, Madden, McGreevey, Meixner, Morin, Norvell, Prensky, Schwarz, Steinberg, Tang, Tucci, Wiita.

**Excused:** Abourahma, Becker, Kim, Krimmel, McMann, Sorokina.

**Approval of Minutes**

* Accepted as submitted.

**Announcements**

* The attachments for this and future meetings will be placed on the Google Team Drive, as well as being sent out in the meeting announcement email.
* Amanda gave a Faculty Senate report to the Trustees yesterday. It was well received. The highlight was our document for the president. It will be put on the Google drive.
* Next week is our Fall Colloquium. It will be in the Library Auditorium at noon.
* AFT meeting today at 3:00 pm in Social Sciences 326. It is restricted to AFT members only.
* Amanda passed around a sign-up sheet for anyone else who would like to have lunch with her.
* We have 2 more meetings remaining in this semester.
* Amanda got an email from CAP. They will be taking electronic testimony on mid-semester evaluations.
* Please go see the exhibit in the Art Building, room 214.

**Library Group Study Room Policy**

* Terrence Bennett and Paula Rainey discussed the proposed library group study room policy.
* They reviewed the current policy as well as the charge they received from the Library’s steering committee.
* They distributed a survey and came up with a preliminary recommendation to allow reservations for some of the rooms, with groups of 3 or more having preference.
* They will be piloting a reservation system and will review the policy after 3 semesters.
* They are also working on a real-time app that will show the occupancy of each of the rooms.
* They would like feedback from Faculty Senate.
* Discussion.
* Please email additional comments to Paula Rainey ([rainey@tcnj.edu](mailto:rainey@tcnj.edu))

**Committee on Academic Programs (CAP) – Open Forum, Preliminary Recommendation Course Approval Policy**

* Matt Hall opened the discussion and reviewed the recommendation from CAP
* Discussion.

**Committee Reports**

* CFA – Joe Baker – The committee will be working on a modified teaching duty policy.
* Trustees – Jana Gevertz and Dave Prensky gave the report for the Trustees. **(Attachment 1)**

Meeting adjourned at 1:20 pm.

Law

**Attachment 1**

The Board of Trustees met on Tuesday October 16, 2018. The main topic of discussion in both the Business & Infrastructure and Mission Fulfillment committees was the newly-developed Key Performance Indicators (KPIs). These KPIs were developed by the Cabinet in order to assess how well the campus is meeting the goals set forth in the current Strategic Plan. Board members were given the opportunity to ask questions about various KPIs, suggest missing KPIs, and provide feedback on which ones they felt were unnecessary. The member of the Cabinet responsible for implementing and measuring activities related to each KPI was present for the discussion. The Board’s feedback will be taken back to Cabinet so that the list of KPIs can be refined.

At the public meeting, beyond the usual Board business, President Foster spoke to her broad goal for her first year in office: aligning the budget, capital investments and programmatic choices with the campus’ strategic priorities. She laid out a four-step process for achieving this goal. First, is to *educate* the campus about the external trends in higher education, and what is happening currently at TCNJ. Second is to *clarify our priorities*, determining what matters most. The KPIs will help guide this discussion. Third, President Foster proposed *examining our budget, capital investment plans, and programmatic choices* to determine how well they match our priorities. Finally, the campus should *adjust the budget, capital investment plans and academic and administrative operations* to align with our priorities. It was proposed that this process be undertaken before the 2019-2010 budget is approved.