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Faculty Senate Minutes

The Faculty Senate met on Wednesday, February 19, 2003, at 2:00 pm in the Bradford Hall Conference Center.

Members Attending- Ceretta Davis, Owen Gibby, Allan Grant, Mary Hartman, Wanda Morris, Danell Moses, Ron Poor, Carolyn Porter, Sharon Ridley, Hilary Seagle, Roger Stephens, Terry Tolle, Doug Ward.

Following is a list of agenda items and discussion:

1. **Online Course Instruction and Faculty Leave** - the question arose concerning faculty leave for office time designated for online instruction. Since online instruction can be done off campus, must a faculty member fill out a leave form for this time missed on campus? According to the workload policy, faculty are expected to maintain a physical presence on campus five days per week to meet responsibilities other than instruction. Thus, leave forms must be submitted for the time missed.
2. **Student Online Accounts-** the Senate is unanimously opposed to the plan to institute student online accounts at this time, based upon several concerns: Neither faculty nor students were solicited for input, a large number of students did not access their grades from last semester, and online accounts could further depersonalize relationships among students, faculty, and staff. The Senate recommends that the plan for online accounts be studied further, at least to incorporate a transitional period before implementation.
3. **Reserved Faculty or Faculty/Staff Parking-** a number of faculty favor reserved parking and requested that this issue be revisited. A survey on parking has been sent to all full-time curriculum faculty. The results will be tabulated and presented at the next meeting.
4. **Electronic Surveillance-** the Senate requests a statement from Administration clarifying if surveillance cameras are located in undisclosed places on campus--not necessarily the locations themselves, but simply if such cameras exist.
5. **Competency Measures in Online Courses-** to ensure competency in online courses, some faculty have suggested requiring students in these classes to be further measured by being tested in at least one physical, on-campus session. Other suggestions include requiring that students take comprehensive exit tests for such courses. The Senate will continue to discuss this issue and requests faculty input.

Due to limited time, the Senate was unable to address the following items on the agenda:

- Adjunct (Part-Time) Faculty Representation on Faculty Senate
- Recycling at SCC
- Student Enrollment Data
- FA Grades

• TA Grades

- Academic Dishonesty
- Reports from Instructional Administration

These issues will be discussed at the next meeting (TBA).

The meeting adjourned at 3:15 pm.

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