Faculty Council Meeting Minutes

May 2, 2025

MCC Mission: To educate our students—improving their lives and enriching our community.

IN ATTENDANCE:

- Holly Webb-Math
- Donald Keltner, History / SBS
- Joseph Ferguson, English
- Susan Spooner, SBS
- Amy Antoninka, Philosophy
- Ken Walker, LLC
- Benjamin Mason, Theatre
- Kayla Willis, FCVP
- Jan Robertson, CIS & Multimedia
- Maria McElroy, Associate Degree Nursing
- Karen Crump, Business/HITT, Paralegal
- Danny Rodriguez, LLC
- Bernard Smith, Science
- Richard Driver, SBS (proxy for John Spano)
- Jennifer Chapman, Child Studies/Education
- Ivanna Campbell, Science
- Mary Sides. Science
- Samantha Buerger, Associate Degree Nursing
- Katie Stevens, LLC
- Colin Porter, Library Services
- Peter Olson, Music (transfer)
- Anne Merchant, Science
- Erik Emblem (SBS - GOVT)
- Stephen Cook - Fire Academy
- Leslie Henderson-LLC
- Andrew Clayton-Government
- Tammy Tull, Real Estate, Business
- Bob Ammon PHED
- Jon Fox - Music Industry Careers
- Lori Watts–English
- Marighny Dutton - Respiratory Care Technology
- Alma Wlazlinski-Mathematics
- Charles Jaquith-Paramedicine.

ABSENT/NON-PARTICIPATING MEMBERS:

- John Spano-Philosophy
- Natalee Oliver-LTC
- Heather Davis-PTA
- Alex Shiu-Business/Economics

Call to order

I. Welcome and sign in
II. Guests: Claire Wilkison and Katie Vise, ADA Compliance
    a. ADA Resources are being put together to help faculty with the newest guidelines for accessibility.
    b. Faculty is already doing a good job and are improving online accessibility. Our goal is to show progress in ADA compliance in Brightspace.
    c. PDF's are one area where we can improve.
    d. Use of Yuja video is encouraged for captioning.
    e. Use of Yuja Panorama is encouraged to improve ADA compliance in all areas.
    f. Training opportunities, lunch and learns, bite-sized learning sessions, and other learning opportunities will come.
    g. Digital accessibility manual
    h. Accommodation Information for Faculty

Old Business

I. Approve Minutes from the April FC Meeting
    a. Jan motion to approve.
        i. Ivanna second
    b. Minutes for April FC meeting approved by poll.
II. Anonymous Feedback tool: Link: https://mclennan.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6Pt85J2daPWiWfc
III. Late Registration for 8-week classes
    a. Two days is preferable to three for short semesters.
    b. Need to find out if one day is possible instead of two.
    c. Faculty need to be notified when changes occur.
    d. Concerns with Late Registration impacting number of people dropped for non-attendance were brought up.
IV. Graduation Regalia:
    a. If you have regalia to share or need regalia, reach out to Amy or Kayla.
    b. Amy has 1 set of master's regalia.
V. Faculty Evaluation Feedback
    a. Concern that access was given so late in the semester. Plan for the future is to get access earlier (around February) and then will have until May 31 to complete.
    b. Comments made that there were not many differences. Main difference is the number rating is gone. You can also copy last year's response into the current year's text box. All documents previously uploaded are still available.
    c. Concerns about difficulties finding grade distributions/course evals. This info can be found on the IR website. Contact Brittany Smith if you have trouble. https://mclennan.co1.qualtrics.com/login/identity-provider-select?stateID=c286b4c0-7c8b-449b-a20a-b28be0b45e89.

New Business

I. Reports from committees

a. Mary Sides: Policy E-XXI & Vote

i. Changes to E-XXI Increase course release for FCP and include a course release for FCVP. Other changes were reviewed. Faculty Council will vote, then faculty will vote if approved, then it will go to admin if approved.

ii. Discussion about whether the course release can be declined.

iii. Still working on changes to make the leadership roles more equitable/available to workforce colleagues. Recognition of time challenges. Suggestions are welcomed.

iv. Vote on policy E-XXI changes: Passed 21 for, 5 against. Next election will proceed.

b. Donald Keltner and Andrew Clayton: Elections

i. We will have to have a special election about the policy changes to E-XXI. One other special election needed because of an error on the tenure conversion committee ballot. This will be on the same ballot.

c. Donald Keltner: Bookstore Committee

i. Item of interest-the new e-reader system in the fall is called Kortext.

ii. https://mymcc.sharepoint.com/:b:/s/FacultyCouncil681/EaldrN3ZvGtBqR29wCzacvcB8PMV-4q_nQSbhvyQXHra3g?e=Fl3LTp

d. Clint Dennard: Data Taskforce

i. The only thing that has changed in the eval is the absence of the number ranking. Laura is doing a mockup of next years evaluation and then the committee may meet again. Ask Laura Wichman if you have questions.

e. Amy and Colin: Library Services

i. Face-to-face/synchronous workshops will be replaced with “Niche Academy” resources. These modules are succinct and more convenient because they are accessible any time. More information coming. If you offer a bonus for attendance this will be more difficult. The option is for faculty to embed Niche Academy resources in Brightspace and keep attendance themselves. Is there a faculty need for an easier option to take attendance? Thanks to colleagues at the library for all their work.

f. Other committees as needed

Open Discussion

Adjourn 12:17

Motion to Adjourn: Charles

Second: Ken