

State of Connecticut
Faculty Advisory Committee to the Board of Regents
August 28, 2015
Tunxis Community College
Farmington, Conn.

Present: Stephen Adair, Vice-Chair, Member, CCSU; T.J. Barber, Member, MCC; Bob Brown, Chair, Member, TxCC; Del Cummings, Member, NVCC; Greg DeSantis, Alternate, HCC; Myrna Garcia-Bowen, Alternate, CCSU; Catherine Hoyser, Member, COSC; Patty O'Neill, Member, WCSU; Barbara Richards, Alternate, HCC; Mike Shea, Alternate, SCSU; Judy Wallace, Member, MxCC; Linda Wilder, Member, COSC.

Guests: Michelle Kraczkowski, MxCC; Estela Lopez, Interim Provost, Board of Regents.

1. Meeting convened at 2:04 PM.
2. Approval of minutes from May, June meetings. Tabled.
3. Conference Planning. An ad hoc committee to organize the second annual "Governance and Student Success" conference was formed. Bob Brown, Greg DeSantis, T.J. Barber, Barbara Richards, Myrna Garcia-Bowen, and Linda Wilder volunteered for this committee. The BOR will again co-sponsor the event.
4. Transition. Mark Ojakian has expressed interest in meeting with the FAC after he becomes President on September 28. Stephen Adair and Bob Brown will develop a document that provides a brief history of the work of the FAC to give to Mr. Ojakian. Other efforts to reach out to faculty are also under way. Regent Merle Harris has announced that after each meeting of the BOR on an individual campus, she will remain to meet with faculty.
5. Community College Governance Assembly. Brown, Richards, Barber, DeSantis and Cummings provided an update on the Governance Assembly which is moving towards a more formal structure. Members of the FAC may be non-voting members of the Assembly.
6. Legislative issues. There have been inquiries to the FAC about the possibility of the FAC working with presidents to increase the presence of the CSCU in Hartford. If the FAC is to be involved with working with presidents on such an endeavor, all presidents must be invited to be involved.
7. Governor's Scholarship. Greg DeSantis introduced a resolution urging the OHE to change current practices for awarding Governor's Scholarships.
8. Ad hoc search committee. No action.
9. FAC elections. The elections are proceeding at institutions that did not hold elections in the spring, and will be completed by September.
10. Other business.
 - a. An ad hoc committee consisting of Barbara Richards, Greg DeSantis, and Bob Brown was formed to examine the FAC bylaws.

- b. Resolution of thanks for Dr. Catherine Hoyser. “The Faculty Advisory Committee wishes to thank Dr. Catherine Hoyser for her service on the FAC. Dr. Hoyser has been a member of the FAC since its inception and has represented her colleagues from Charter Oak with honor. She has consistently recognized and praised the strength of on line education opportunities while acknowledging the strengths of other approaches to education. Her willingness to do so contributed significantly to the ability of members of the FAC to avoid “turf battles”. The committee benefited from her contributions, and she will be sorely missed.” (Barber/Brown, unanimous).

11. Meeting adjourned at 4:36 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty O’Neill