

State of Connecticut
Faculty Advisory Committee to the Board of Regents
November 13, 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; William Lugo, Member, ECSU; Patty O'Neill, Member, WCSU; Barbara Richards, Alternate, HCC; Mike Shea, Alternate, SCSU; Judy Wallace, Member, MxCC; Linda Wilder, Member, COSC; Patricia Zibluk, Member, SCSU.

Guests: Candace Barrington, TAP/CCSU; Jay Brower, WCSU; Michael Buccilli, GCC; Ken Klucznik, TAP/MCC; Lorraine Li, GCC; Estela Lopez, Interim Provost, Board of Regents; Kate Marsland, SCSU.

1. Meeting was called to order at 2:03 PM.

2. Minutes from August 2015 meeting, approved (Bowen/Barber), unanimous.

3. Outcome Based Funding (Adair, Richards). Lorraine Li, Kate Marsland and Barbara Richards, members of the Task Force Concerning Outcomes-Based Financing, discussed the goals and activities of the task force. The task force, working with Denis Jones, president emeritus of National Center for Higher Education Management Systems (NCHEMS), is to generate a proposal that would include performance metrics that would measure outcomes and that would govern funding to the individual institutions of CSCU. Such a system would be modeled on the system designed by Dr. Jones for the state of Tennessee. The faculty members have identified concerns with performance based funding, including the possibility for competition between institutions and systems for state allocations, the increased possibility for cheating, the uneven allocation of funding, that urban institutions will be at a disadvantage, and that institutions may start recruiting from only some areas. One of the positions on the Task Force delegated to the Connecticut State University remains vacant. Motion: That Stephen Adair make an urgent request to Roberta Willis and Brendan Sharkey to fill this vacant position (Shea/Barber, unanimous).

4. December presentation to BOR (Adair, Brown). Stephen Adair has started a draft of the presentation.

5. Conference planning (Conference team). Committee is still looking for a keynote speaker. Possibilities include Gary Rhoades, Rudy Fichtenbaum and Marilyn Robinson. The conferences

is scheduled 4/8/16 at Housatonic. Barbara Richards asked Elsa Nunez to do a workshop on retention of minority efforts for which Eastern was recognized recently.

6. Community College Governance Assembly meeting (Brown, DeSantis, Richards, Barber)
Update: 7 have approved the creation and structure of the Community College Governance Assembly.

7. Discussion of CSU governance group resolution re: Academic Strategic Planning. No action taken.

8. Confirmation of Charter Oak representation on FAC. It is unclear whether the new representative from COSC has been elected for a two year term or whether that individual is serving as Catherine Hoyser's replacement.

9. PA-1240 Barbara Richards and Stephen Adair reported on the meeting of the PA-1240 task force. How progress under this legislation will be assessed remains unclear.

10. TAP Candace Barrington and Ken Klucznik reported on the status of TAP.

11. Accepting online lab course credit (Wallace). Judy Wallace reported the community colleges had agreed to not accept credits from online lab courses. Recently, Goodwin College re-numbered the science courses to be the same as the community college numbers and you cannot tell from the transcript which courses are on-line and which are on ground. UConn will not accept any online or hybrid science or mathematics classes. Our system needs to be more transparent about the fact that it does not accept credit from online science courses.

12. Meeting dates for 2016—Second Fridays except for January, April, and July, and the meeting time has been moved to 1 PM.

13. Other business. The committee briefly discussed ways that we, as a system, could become more effective at advocating at the legislative level for the individual institutions of the system.

14. Meeting adjourned at 5:12 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty O'Neill