

Lansing Community College

Academic Senate

MINUTES

10/4/13

Senator Attendees: Alex Azima, Marcy Bauman, Ed Bryant, Kevin Bubb, Christine Conner, Willie Davis, Pamela Erramuzpe, Curlada Eure-Harris, Dale Franks, Richard Freedberg, Ann French, Judy Goth-Owens, Catherine Griffin, Tammy Grossbauer, Jeff Haynes, Dan Holt, Dedria Humphries, Jeff Janowick, Melissa Kamai-Arambula, Terrance King, Jon Liebold, Peter MacFadden, Heather McAlpin, Rafeeq McGiveron, Jerry Onofryton, George Pena, Elaine Pogoncheff, Tracy Price, Terrill Putman, Kelly Sakkinen, Suzanne Sawyer, Hananiel Setiawan, Eric Snider, James Swain, Ed Thomas, Marc Thomas, Joe Werner

Senators Absent: James Allen, Matt Boeve, Darrell DeMartino, Richard Prystowsky, Kathy Shaffer, Cathy Wilhm

Call to Order

President Azima called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

Roll Call

Clerk Blundy called the roll. A quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes

President Azima asked if there were any additions/corrections/deletions to the minutes of the September 20, 2013 meeting. Clerk Blundy shared with the group Provost Prystowsky's recommended corrections to the minutes regarding his comments in the Provost's Report. The minutes were approved as amended.

Public Comments (also permitted during the meeting with the approval of the Senators)

None

Announcements

President Azima let the group know that the Lansing State Journal was present at meeting to take some pictures and notes for an article.

Senator Humphries announced that faculty will be receiving a flyer regarding the LAND Writing competition in mailboxes soon. She asked that a flyer be given to at least one student. This is an LCC writing competition, which leads to a state-wide competition among the 28 community colleges. There are cash prizes at LCC level and state level. Last year, LCC students won two 1st place prizes at the state level.

Molly Cryderman-Weber announced the Black Box Theater is opening “Agnes of God” this weekend and next weekend.

Senator Davis announced the Black History Month Committee will be hosting their opening activity with a reenactment of the signing of the Civil Rights Act. Watch for a schedule of events to be coming out soon.

President Azima welcomed new Senators James Swain from Technical Careers, and Kaila Arnett, our second student senator.

Academic Master Plan Task Forces Work Session

President Azima indicated the Senate will break out into their Task Force groups for a work session and reconvene at 10:45 a.m. He reminded the group that Jim Luke is a reference source for the Senate, as well as Senators Pogoncheff and King. He reported that the Task Force co-chairs met before the Senate meeting this morning and will continue to meet regularly and work with administration to be sure we are in alignment with the Strategic Plan. Comments from Jim Luke, and Senators Pogoncheff and King included:

We don’t want a checklist, we want to be transformative. We want to change the college in a way that supports students and academics. We need to start with a clean slate - identify our strengths and weaknesses, these ideas become the academic master plan. Identify our goals, gather data, and build strategy based on this information. Specificity counts, verbs are very important.

Adjournment

Task Forces worked up to the end of the meeting, 11:00 a.m.