

Lansing Community College
Academic Senate Meeting

October 2, 2015, 9:00-11:00 AM, Administration Board Room

Call to Order & Welcome Back: Senate was called to order at

Roll Call: Clerk Brittney Villarreal called roll, a quorum was present.

Senators Present: Allen James, Argersinger Marvin, Azima Alex, Bryant Ed, Bubbs Kevin, Clover Jerod, Conner Christine, Davis Willie, , Deketelaere Vicki, DeMartino Darrell, Droste Ivan, Dutcher Peggy, Eure-Harris Curlada, French Ann, Garayta Cheryl, Griffin Catherine, Grossbauer Tammy, Hagen Karen, Holt Dan, Janowick Jeff, Johnson Leslie, King Terrence, Leventhal Judy, Luke Jim, Manning Christopher, Mesler Vern, Periard Tim, Pogoncheff Elaine, Prystowsky Richard, Reglin Jill, Sperling Tedd, Storie Cindy, Swain James, Thomas Ed, Wilkerson-Johnson Veronica, Wilhm Cathy

Senators Absent: Boeve Matt, Dietrich Nancy, Edwards Rob, Fall Matthew, Hammond Greg, Kamai-Arambula Melissa, Mutty Sue, Sawyer Suzanne, Fronkel Roxanna

Approval of Minutes: Postponed till the next Academic Senate meeting.

Public Comments:

There were no public comments.

President's Report

President Janowick spoke briefly on his approach to leading the Senate, which is to focus on the mission of the college and keep students at the center of the conversation.

- Eligibility Issues- Since the formation of the Academic Senate, there has been reorganization of department, programs and division structures. An email was sent to deans of the college to ensure that elected Senators are still eligible representatives for their departments.
 - President Janowick said that he would like to quickly put together an Ad-hoc committee that will address eligibility issues that have arisen. He asked that Vice President Periard lead this committee along with 4-5 senate volunteers. The goal is for the committee to meet next week.
 - It was decided that the by-laws need to be modified so that the issue of eligibility is addressed within them.

- There are currently 4 vacancies within the senate. President Janowick asked senators to please encourage eligible faculty/adjuncts to join.
 - There was a concern expressed regarding the eligibility of adjunct faculty to serve on the Academic Senate, due to the limited number of hours they are allowed to work. Provost Prystowsky said that he will look into the issue and get clarification back to the Academic Senate.
- President Janowick said that reorganization of current committees is needed to better reflect college's goals. He said that revision of committees is not limited to Operation 100% but also there is a need create more generic committees.
 - A list of current standing committees was given by Vice President Periard. The time and meeting frequencies of the committees was discussed. It was clarified that committee members are not solely comprised of Academic Senators.
 - Provost Prystowsky addressed a senate question on payment for Adjunct Faculty who serve on committees. He said that Adjunct Faculty will be paid to attend required meetings; meetings that are optional are not paid.
- President Janowick asked the Academic Senate if he could talk with Human Resources directly about the Nepotism Policy without bringing it back to senate. The senate was in agreement to move forward as suggested by President Janowick.

Provost's Report:

Provost Prystowsky encouraged the Academic Senate in the work they are doing. He stated that the college is getting nationwide attention with the work of Operation 100%. A list of LCC employees who have represented the college on a national level was given.

Provost Prystowsky stated that the job of an Academic Senator is to represent their department and the faculty within it. He asked that Academic Senators clarify when speaking, if what they are saying is the department's opinion/feeling or a personal perspective.

As part of Operation 100% there will be a change in the intake process for students registering with LCC. Upon entering the college a student will create a list of support people in their life. The list will be used to help at-risks students and to encourage all students, that

there people who are rooting for their success. The implementation date is to be determined.

Senator Clover said that in his opinion most students do not know what Operation 100% is. There was discussion on this. Provost Prystowsky asked to follow up with him later about this issue.

Senator Johnson is going to co-chair the CASL group, replacing past Senator Ferris-McCann who is no longer with the college. LCC is currently seeking a consultant. Senator Dutcher stated that in the last meeting CASL decided they would like to have drop in sessions, people come to if they need help writing their program outcomes or with related questions.

On November 30, 2015 Dr. Rob Johnstone, Operation 100% consultant will be coming for a site visit.

LCC is in the 3rd year completing G2C. We are in discussion with Gardner about continuing to work with them on G2C and/or *Foundations to Excellence*.

A group of 6 people from LCC will be traveling to an Equity Academy in Florida for training on AAC&U: *Committing to Equity and Inclusive Excellence*. In line with this initiative there will be a group on campus looking at integrated learning and general education reform.

Senator Deketelaere gave an update on faculty credentialing in relation to the upcoming HLC visit. There was senate discussion on this. Senator Deketelaere clarified that supervisors will be given direction on how to advise faculty who do not meet HLC credentialing requirements.

There are updates to the Academic Senate website that need to be made. LCC faculty Paul Jurczak and clerk Villarreal will follow up with the changes.

Discussion items:

- There was Senate and Public discussion on what the role of the Academic Senate is and what it should be in the Faculty Prioritization Process.
- There was Academic Senate and Public discussion on the Social Media Policy. A response letter from the Center for Teaching Excellence was read. There was a motion that an immediate statement be sent, that the academic senate has strong concerns and objections to the policy. The policy should not be moved forward until issues have been addressed. The motion was carried.

Future Agenda Items:

- Amendment to CASL Charter - Under membership, co-Chairs amended to "Two co-chairs, at least one of whom must be a faculty member"

- Committee team conversations
- Senate “future picture” discussion
- Concourse committee/team
- OER Summit report and update
- Approval of the September 4th and 18th Academic Senate minutes.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 10:59 am.