

# Briefs from the August 29, 2016 Meeting of the College Council

## **Hot Topics**

Dr. Michael Flaherty informed the Council that there was a number of students placed in incorrect courses and that
additional exploration was necessary to determine the root cause of these errors. He indicated that Math and English
courses were impacted and that he was working with Jean Dugo to determine if there is something that can be done
within the Colleague system to prevent this from happening next semester.

# **Operational Assembly**

Dr. Quincy Martin, Chairperson of the Operational Assembly, announced that the first meeting of the academic year
would be on August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2016 and highlighted some structural changes to the Operational Assembly including the
addition of a student representative as well as an ex-officio member, the Action Champion, Dr. Kurian Tharakunnel.

#### **Academic Senate**

Dr. Michael Flaherty, Chairperson of the Academic Senate, informed the Council that the Senate had experienced a
fair amount of turnover due to resignations and retirements and that there are now three new chairs: Hector Zavala
for the Student Development Committee, Beth Dunn for the Academic Support Committee, and Pam Harmon for the
Technical and Distance Education Committee.

#### **Old Business**

- Adjunct Representative Mary-Rita Moore informed the Council that in response to the announcement in Triton Today, her office had received 6 inquiries from adjunct faculty regarding the vacancy and her staff was working to schedule one-on-one meetings with each. She indicated that she hopes to have the new adjunct representative present at the September College Council meeting.
- HLC Assurance Argument Pamela Perry informed the Council that the she put together a schedule to visit different groups and forums around campus to discuss the HLC Assurance Argument. She also asked the Council for feedback on Criterion 1 & 2 of the HLC Assurance Argument outline. Ms. Moore encouraged Council members to attend with Ms. Perry, in an effort to demonstrate to the greater campus community that the Council is invested in this process.
- Business Practices: Electronic Forms & Signatures Kevin Kennedy went through a demonstration on how to log in to Docusign and approve business forms electronically, through the Triton Portal. He also introduced Shannon Blameuser as a point of contact for all troubleshooting and questions.

### **New Business**

- FY 17 College Council Goals Pamela Perry went over the FY 17 College Council goals that were agreed upon during
  the July planning retreat. It was decided that sub-groups would be formed to work on the first two goals of Shared
  Governance and Communication, and that the entire Council would work on the third goal of Assessment.
- Changes to Shared Governance Pamela Perry shared a schedule that she drafted in an effort to ensure that the Council was effectively communicating the changes that were made to the shared governance structure during the July planning retreat. Ms. Moore stated that she would also be bringing these changes to the Board of Trustees.
- Strategic Plan Action Update Dr. Deborah Baness-King, Dean, Academic Success gave a presentation on the peer mentoring collaborative, as Action Champion of Action 2.2: Scale Existing Support Programs under Strategic Direction 2: Identify and Scale Best Practices.