

Great Basin College
FACULTY SENATE 2022-2023
Friday, November 18, 2022
9:00 am
MINUTES

1. **Roll Call:**
Present Voting Representatives: Sam Lackey, Dean Straight, Glen Tenney, Ryan Hathaway, Hillary Fruge (Proxy Karrie Barrett), Eric Walsh, Ping Wang, Daniel Bergey, Jason Brick, Duncan Morris, Matt Nichols, Konstantinos Travlos, Madison Arbillaga, Kim Noah, Brian Dankowski, Jamie Wilkerson, Meachell Walsh

Absent Voting Representatives: Tami Potter, Tim Beasley, Veronica Nelson

Other Members Present: Kevin Seipp (Chair), Donald Jones (Secretary), Jonathan Foster, Ethan Hawkley, Dave Sexton, George Kleep, Laurie Walsh, Erica Salazar, John Rice Kristin Heath, Jennifer Stieger, Tom Bruns, Xunming Du, Amanda Sprayberry, Deanna Hamilton, Steven Hrdickla, Mardell Dorsa, Rita Pujari, Earl Owen, Reme Huttman, Trina Castonguay, Glen Tenney, Brian Zeiszler, Oscar Sida, George Munoz,

Others Present: President Helens, Amber Donnelly, Kelli Baker

2. **Call to Order: 9:03**

3. **Updates from President Helens – President Helens reminded everyone if you hear rumors, please do not spread them. If you are concerned about something please let her.**

President Helens reported that next year GBC will be working with the Western Folklife Center to get the GBC Theatre back in action.

President Helens also reported that with our work with UNR will we now have our public radio station back. Students will have the opportunity to be interns and we will now have local news.

4. **Updates from Vice President of AA/SA, Jake Hinton-Rivera – No report.**

5. **Senate Chair Report – Verbal Report Chair Seipp wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and thanked all the veterans. Chair Seipp reported they are supposed to meet with the Chancellor today and the special Board of Regents meeting has been canceled. The regular meeting of the Board of Regents will start at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 2nd at UNLV. Chair Seipp also thanked everyone who presented at the all-college meeting.**

6. **Approval of October 21, 2022, minutes - For Possible Action**

A motion to approve the minutes of October 21, 2022, was made by Konstantinos Travlos, seconded by Ryan Hathaway, motion passed unanimously.

7. **Standing Committee Reports:**

- a. Academic Standards & Assessment.....**Written Report**
b. Bylaws.....**Written/Verbal Report**

- i. **Report – Information Only – No comments were received on the proposed Gen Ed composition, which will be voted on today. Received charges on the Instructional Technology committee and that will be voted on next month.**

- ii. **Proposed Changes to Gen Ed Committee – For Possible Action**

This will be a curriculum focused committee.

A member asked if Section B should read a senior faculty member or a tenured faculty member. The response is tenured.

A member stated their health science faculty are not tenured as their funding comes from the state, they have people who have been here for more than 4 or 5 years. After discussion the following changes shall be made to section b to further clarify a senior faculty member:

“A senior faculty member is defined as tenured or a minimum of 4 or more years of service”.

A motion to approve the proposed changes to the Gen Ed Committee, with the changes discussed above, was made by Konstantinos Travlos, seconded by Jamie Wilkerson, motion passed unanimously.

- c. Compensation & Benefits.....**Written/Verbal Report**
 - i. **Report – Information Only**
 - ii. **Proposed Changes for Workload Units Based Directly on Instruction Credits Additional Sections for Class Sizes Over 30 Enrolled Students 3(A)1d – Information Only**
 - iii. **Proposed Changes for Overload Per Credit Rate for GBC Full-time Faculty 3(1)(1) – Information Only**

A member commented that their department would rather see 38 students would signal a new section rather than nine students. The response was that is the intent and they could just delete the 8 and 9 students off of the proposed changes.

It was also suggested that the determination of additional sections based on enrollment after the 50% refund drop date for each semester should be changed to day one, as faculty have prepared everything as of day one.

A member said as a compromise they could say the first week they can drop.

Another suggestion was to see what this actually looks like compensation-wise.

This is for classes over 30.

Chair Seipp asked if members would please send their comments to the committee chair.

- d. Curriculum Review..... **Written Report**
 - i. **Report – Information Only**
- e. Instructional Technology..... **Written Report**
 - i. **Report – Information Only**
- f. Gen Ed Committee..... **Written Report**
 - i. **Report – Information Only**
- g. Personnel..... **Written Report**
- h. Strategic Planning, ad hoc..... **No Report**

8. Unfinished Business:

- a. Senate Vice Chair Nomination Results

Two nominations were received, Dave Sexton and Oscar Sida.

Chair Seipp reported that Dave Sexton was voted in as Vice-Chair.

9. New Business:

None.

10. Information Items:

Online Cheating – Daniel Bergey

Daniel Bergey and Kristin Heath spoke about how widespread online cheating is and they are working on a standard agreement for this. Discussion followed and it was suggested to have a task force for Kristin.

11. Announcements:

Ryan Hathaway announced there will be Behavioral Intervention Team training starting at 9:00 a.m. on January 13, 2023. There is a form on the website if you need to report concerning or disturbing behavior.

Amber Donnelly reported they were given part of the SAMSHA grant (Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration) of \$61,796. This will help with mental health coordination and additional training tools. This will include travel for training and the ability to have posters regarding mental health at all campuses.

Ryan Hathaway reported the GBC Winterfest will be held on December 7th at 6:00 p.m.

Eric Walsh reported that Friends of the Library will start meeting on January 17, 2023, at 12:00 pm., and Just Desserts will start up again

12. Good of the Order:

**13. Adjournment.....Action
Motion to approve Konstantinos Travlos 10:07 a.m.**