Call to Order:
12:16

Attendees:

Guest:
Daniels, D.; Damien, B.; Minor, L.; Li, X.

Public Commentary:
Dr. Damien Bell advocated for keeping the Testing Hub and wanted feedback from the Academic Senate.

Action Items
Approval of Minutes March 7 continued March 8, 2022, Meeting (ACTION)
March 7 continued March 8, 2022, meeting. Minutes were approved by unanimous consent.

Information Items:
Superintendent/President Update (INFORMATION):
Dr. Deb Daniels reported on the Gala; she stated it was a good turnout. The Gala raised $600,000 from sponsors and $100,000 from participants. Also, Dr. Daniels is requesting funds from three representatives of the State of California: Rep. Kevin McCarthy, Sen. Diane Feinstein, and Sen. Alex Padilla. The funds will be to help construct a vocational Center. Finally, Dr. Deb Daniels talked about graduation and planning that's currently happening with Student Support Services.

Board of Trustees Goals (INFORMATION):
Dr. Sharyn Eveland stated that the Board of Trustees had adopted new goals for next year. She (Dr. Eveland) integrated that the goals relate to everything a college does and encouraged the body to read them. Also, Dr. Eveland stated she would communicate with the various committees and ask them to look at their work, align their work with the Board of Trustees' goals, and turn them in by May's meeting.

Committee preference forms (INFORMATION):
The Academic Senate president stated that committee conference forms would be coming in April. However, there's no guarantee that you'll get the committee assignment you asked for because the Academic Senate president must consider job duties, alternative forms of service, and the committee's needs.

Committee Orientation (INFORMATION):
Dr. Eveland stated that the Academic Senate Council and The Senate of the Whole talked about having committee orientations at the beginning of the year. Therefore, the committees would be able to get up to speed and that would inform new members about their responsibilities and duties quicker.

Academic Freedom webinar series (INFORMATION):
Dr. Eveland informed the Senate body that The Academic Senate for California Community Colleges has a webinar series. The first series date happened in March, and the next two dates are as follows:

➢ April 25 at 2 PM, the webinar will focus on Equality, Antiracism, and Academic Freedom.
➢ March 23 at 2 PM, the webinar focuses on The Student Voice and Academic Freedom.
Dr. Eveland further states that students have academic freedom also.

**Action Items:**

*Academic Senate Procedures – Documenting for Reference, Review, and Revision (ACTION)*

The purpose of reviewing these documents is to write down policies, procedures, and practices to record what happens in the past and how to move forward. For example, there is no written record on how to proceed regarding Senate's subcommittees and Chair Terms. In addition, the Senate Council wanted to codify our procedures in the Academic Senate Constitution.

Academic Senate subcommittee Documentation Responsibilities: The Academic Senate president asked two times if anyone objected; there were none the resolution passed with unanimous consent.

Academic Senate Committee Chair Terms and Election: Dr. Vicki Jacobi and Mr. Geoffrey Dyer had a robust discussion about Academic Senate committee chair terms and elections. One of the items under discussion was the timing of electing committee chairs, and the other discussion was about if it has already been codified in the Academic Senate Constitution. Dr. Eveland stated that we should table this item and bring it back in May for further discussion.

*SLO Revision/New Course Template (ACTION):*

The Academic Senate president asked two times if anyone objected; there were none the resolution passed with unanimous consent.

*Board Policy and Academic Procedures Modifications (ACTION):*

AP 4240 Academic Renewal: Academic renewal states that someone took a course for a different institution with the same CID and returned to Taft college with a better grade. Therefore, their transcript would be notated, showing the transcript with a higher grade. The Academic Senate president asked two times if anyone objected; there were none the resolution passed with unanimous consent.

AP 5012 International Students: The Academic Senate president asked two times if anyone objected; there were none the resolution passed with unanimous consent.

*Institutional Set Standards – ACCJC Report (ACTION):*

Dr. Xiaohong Li presented on Institutional Standards and discussed setting goals for 2022 – 2023. The Strategic Planning Committee (SPC) moves the completion rate to 69%, a floor goal in 2019. However, we did not meet our goal due to the pandemic, and the SPC recommended moving the completion goal from 69% to 66% for the current year.

Ms. Lori Travis made a motion to move the completion rate to 66% for 2021-2022 due to COVID 19 disruption. Mr. Adam Bledsoe seconded the motion. The motion passed with one senator opposed.

*Academic Senate Council Elections (ACTION):*

Dr. Eveland stated that we have two positions open on the Academic Senate Council and asked the CTE and the math and science department to talk amongst themselves and present a representative by the May Senate meeting.

*Resolutions Under Consideration at ASCCC Spring Plenary (ACTION):*

The Academic Senate president explained that she would represent Taft College Academic Senate at the state plenary. She (Dr. Eveland) asked the body if they had any issues or concerns with the resolution packet. She (Dr. Eveland) was also asking for a motion stating that the representative would be representing the Academic Senate of Taft College. Ms. Lori Travis made a motion to trust the judgment of the representative. Dr. Vicki Jacobi seconded the motion. The motion passed.

*Emeritus Nomination – Professor Tony Thompson (ACTION):*

The Academic Senate confirmed the emeritus status to Mr. Tony Thompson by Acclamation
Emeritus Nomination – Professor David Layne (ACTION):
   The Academic Senate confirmed the emeritus status to Mr. David Layne by Acclamation

Information/Discussion Items

Comprehensive Program Review Draft Process (PRESENTATION):
   Dr. Li presented the new process and forms that will be implemented when the comprehensive program review comes up next year. Also, the plan would be annual and less work for the faculty.

All discussion items were tabled to the May meeting.
   ➢ Minimal Qualification Local Modification Process (DISCUSSION)
   ➢ Evaluation of Effectiveness of APR based Resource Allocations (DISCUSSION)
   ➢ IR/IT Updates (DISCUSSION)
   ➢ Requests for Reports - Committee Reports: – April (DISCUSSION)
   ➢ Moving to a representative senate (DISCUSSION)

Open Forum for Announcements
   None

Adjournment
   The meeting was adjourned at 1:05 PM.

Submitted by Dr. Amar Abbott