

Faculty Senate Minutes
Monday, June 8, 2009
Food Service

Acceptance of April Faculty Senate Minutes

Reports

- Officer and Committee Reports - none
- President Cabinet Report
 - Skills Advancement approved effective today, 6/9/09.
 - West Texas Campus/Waco Campus combined for purchasing (e-mail sent campus wide).

Old Business

- Hidden Instructors for TSTC Faculty – (President Stuckley will discuss with Ron Sanders to get specifics).
- Accessing Student Worker Records for Registration Purposes – (this access is being corrected once the proper procedural aspects have been addressed).
- Faculty Compensation for 2009 – 2011 – (Richard Wheet will be addressing President Stuckley for consideration of the 7% increase that the Faculty Senate had unanimously passed at the May 18, 2009 meeting. It was decided to allow Richard the flexibility of obtaining the best increase feasible. Discussion ensued that outlined the faculty to staff ratio at TSTC as apposed to other community colleges and its possible effect on the faculty salary problem).

New Business

- Faculty Barbeque – Steve Betros is chair of this committee. The committee will determine the date.
- Professional Development – topics to cover (Richard Wheet asked that the Faculty Senators ask in their departments what the faculty would prefer as topics of development. In addition, ask if the faculty would prefer 4 hour seminar segments as opposed to the two hour sessions previously offered).
- Megaform from Terry Conroy – (this form is naturally evolving from information gathered from other campuses that have gone through the SACs accreditation).
- NTS is reorganized – (As Paul Woodfin reported at the May Faculty Senate meeting, the NTS department will be reorganized to better service the campus through Customer Service and Special Projects).
- Coordinating Board – (There will be future information for recordkeeping information that the CoBoard will require. As of yet, the specifics have not been identified).
- Legislative budget information was briefly discussed – (TSTC will receive 3.7% increase while community colleges received an 8.1% increase).
- Faculty ranking system – (a question was put to the floor of whether this system was still in place and if it influenced salaries/increases – Richard Wheet disclosed that the ranking system was in place and the compensation plan not being used. However, with the climate of budgetary restraints and Systems non-stellar performance in the legislature, it would not be merit approaching TSTC Systems for further consideration).