

SUNY Cobleskill College Council Meeting

Wednesday, April 6, 2022

Minutes

College Council Members in attendance: Eric Stein, Phil King, Linda Cross, Tracy Purcell, Susan Rightmyer

Absent: Jennifer McKenna

College Council guests: Marion Terenzio, Sue Zimmermann, Anne Hopkins Gross, Bonnie Martin, Wendy Gilman, Amy Healy, Sophie Ano

Eric Stein called the meeting to order at 8:30

Phil King made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 9, 2022 meeting, Tracy Purcell seconded the motion and the motion passed.

In preparation for the Middle States accreditation virtual visit next week, the College Council viewed a video that will be shown to Middle States.

Part I-Information Sharing On Campus Contingencies

Faculty Governance Update-Sophie Ano

Curriculum Committee- reviewing courses that will be offered as on-line courses
Academic Policies- updating handbook
Processes to match policies—especially student complaint process
Fiscal Affairs and Strategic Planning Committee-
Moving from two schools to one college model
Meeting weekly with President Terenzio and Provost Zimmermann
Sophie Ano chosen for AASCU's Emerging Leaders program

President's update—Marion Terenzio

Administrative Conference-identify policies to be amended
Thriving College, Thriving Community-focus on innovation, where LAS and Ag can intersect
Innovation hubs—anywhere programs collaborate
Merged Business, Ag Business and Culinary Arts departments
Merged Liberal Studies, Math and Psychology departments
College Council asked to help identify industry members for Advisory Committees
Bio Tech Advisory Committee
Health Science Studies
Dean's roles changing
Tim Moore—Student Support and Academic Facilities
Gail Wentworth- Teaching Faculty
Learner Centric—Education 4.0—teaching based on what the learner requires
Tech Sector Presidents meeting-
Workforce development—Community Colleges always tapped—tech sector should be, too

Governor's agenda—State of the art labs—Tech schools entire campus should be a lab

Commencement-

In person, outside, May 14th
Leadership awards issued today
April 28th—Student Learning Showcase, 40 students so far
April 30th—Wildlife Festival, in village
April 30th—Dairy Fashion Show—State Fair grounds
April 16th—Woodsmen/women competition
Graphic Design Show, Hooding ceremony, events leading to graduation
Kathleen King—interviewed on ABC morning show

Enrollment Update-Caleb Grant

First accepted student day canceled due to snow
This Saturday (April 9th) Accepted Student day, Sunday, (April 10th) Open House
Currently enrollment is at the 2020-2021 numbers -remain optimistic
Fall audit of students who applied and didn't attend—1/3 didn't attend college at all

Budget—Wendy Gilman

Cautious filling positions, spending is down
Still have a deficit but cautiously optimistic for the State budget
Bail reform and Buffalo stadium big hold ups for the budget passing

Middle States Accreditation Visit-Starts on Sunday, April 10th

Submitting information to the visitation team
Sunday, Welcome the team via Zoom meeting
Monday, meetings with larger groups
Tuesday, smaller groups with targeted gaps
Wednesday, at 10:00 Oral report from Middle States review team
Chuck Lindsey, President of Elmira College
Coby Spirit Stops—Monday and Tuesday 10:00-12:00
Monday—Wheeler Hall
Tuesday, Carriage House

Alumni Foundation report—Given by Eric Stein for John Zacharek

\$2.1 Million in gifts to date
\$200K Alta Equipment donation—sponsor for Golf Tournament June 17th
\$300K donated in recent weeks
President Terenzio and John Zacharek met with donors in Florida
Watched SUNY Cobleskill students in baseball and softball games
Spring appeal has been sent--\$3.5 Million requests

Part II-Council Reports

Chairs report—nothing to report

Linda Cross made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Susan Rightmyer seconded and the meeting ending at 9:51 a.m.