

SUNY Cobleskill College Council Meeting - May 11, 2016

Draft Minutes

Council Members Present: Chair, Olive Scott; Linda Cross; Barbara DiCocco; Phil King; Anne Myers; Tracy Purcell; Susan Rightmyer; Richard Shultes; Eric Stein; and Sarah Peavey.

Guests: President, Marion Terenzio; Susan Zimmermann; Tara Winter; Lois Goblet; Amy Healy; Irene Loucks; Wendy Gilman; and Tim Purcell.

Chair Olive Scott introduced Sarah Peavey, the new SGA President for the 2016 – 2017 academic year. All attendees identified themselves.

The meeting was called to order at 8:35 a.m. and was audio-taped.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made to approve the minutes of the April 13th 2016, meeting. The motion was made by Susan Rightmyer, seconded by Barbara DiCocco, and carried.

Part I

President Marion Terenzio

President Terenzio stated that many positive events have happened on campus. President Terenzio

- Showed a plaque signed by Senator Gillibrand and the American flag that was flown over the U.S. Capitol on April 8, 2016, in honor of her inauguration
 - There will be a future photo opportunity with student vets
- Discussed the potential partnership with Siena College ROTC
 - Phase one is to reestablish the College's affiliate status with ROTC
 - Phase two would entail offering the program on campus
- Discussed the meeting that occurred with the Schoharie County Strategic Plan Board
 - They would like to include SUNY Cobleskill as a major player in the plan
- Discussed SUNY Cobleskill being a destination school
 - What it means to students, campus, and community
- Provided an enrollment Update:
 - We should accomplish our May 1 deposit deadline
 - Currently we are down by 50 students from same time last year
 - Many new initiatives are planned
 - Capitalize on local students who haven't made a choice
 - Accepted Student Day on June 3rd

- The Provost and Tara Winter discussed with departments their capacity and enrollment management projections
- FASP has performed an audit on the 2012 prioritization document
- Informed the Council that the
 - Retirement Incentive Plan deadline is June 1st
 - 2 new cohorts – HVCC and Jefferson, Early Childhood
 - The development of Pathways w/high schools; PTech
 - The Micro-credentialing initiative will help us attain our SUNY Excels enrollment goal
 - SUNY Cobleskill is hosting a Shared Services Revisited Summit
 - How it has helped, where we are now, what we have learned

Budget Update

- Presidents attended an emergency meeting called by the Chancellor
- The state budget does not support SUNY
- Chancellor is sending language to the state legislature
- Tech colleges sent a memo to the Chancellor
- President Terenzio has spoken with Senator Seward

Initiatives

- Representative from the Governor's office recently visited SUNY Cobleskill
 - Partner with Governor's agenda for vitality in upstate New York
 - Lt. Governor Kathy Hochul plans a future visit to campus
- Economic Development
 - Will soon roll out the Institute Plan
 - Will partner with Albany Law – waiting for grants
 - Will help with business development and legal issues in community
- New Vice President for Student Affairs, Anne Hopkins Gross, will begin on Monday, June 6th
- Cabinet Retreat will be held on June 10th
- Destination School initiative
 - Pockets of resources
 - Folks taking ownership of collective

- We all need to step forward
- Entrepreneurial spirit is alive and well
- Plan a retreat with Council to discuss what it means to be a destination college
- Campus Meetings
 - President Terenzio has held vertical lunches with campus community
 - President Terenzio has had coffee hours with various staff
 - President Terenzio had had “Pizza with the President” with students on various occasions

Angelika Hoeher, Presiding Officer of the Faculty

- Unable to attend meeting but sent written report:
 - Held a joint meeting in April with SGA to discuss various student issues
 - The FASP Committee has nearly completed its work on the academic prioritization and will be shortly submitting their work to President Terenzio, Sue Zimmermann, and the deans
 - The Cultural Diversity Committee has launched the Campus Climate Survey and as of May 5, the committee has received 600 responses
 - The Facilities and Space Committee has compiled the survey responses regarding the use of the Coby Farm and will be forwarding those to President Terenzio and CAS

Sarah Peavey, incoming President, Student Government Association

- Fifty clubs currently chartered through Student Government
- Held an Executive Board meeting—planning events for fall
- Pizza with the presidents went well
- Student Government Elections and Referendum Vote –April 20
- SGA Officer Team for the 2016-17 Academic Year:
 - President: Sarah Peavey
 - Vice President: Lydia Knickerbocker
 - Treasurer: Cassidy Adams
 - Secretary: Matt Aniolowski
 - Public Relations: Oscar Aguero
- SGA members passed the student activity fee budget

- SGA met with Faculty Governance to discuss student issues
- Council Member Eric Stein commended Circle K, the campus community engagement club
- Planning a retreat for next year

Sandra Dinoto, President, Alumni Association

- Unable to attend meeting; report given by Lois Goblet
 - The new Alumni website will be launched in June
 - The Havlock Society raised \$3000 with the dunk tank initiative (thanks to President Terenzio)
 - The Golden Grad Reunion will be held on May 21
 - Creating a time capsule for burying during Homecoming

Tim Purcell, President, Foundation Board

- Golf Tournament is set for June 17th—looking for participants
- Culinary Extravaganza is October 21st
- Faculty/Staff giving is up 26%; striving for 100%
 - Alumni giving is 72%
 - Foundation is 66%
 - College council giving is 60%

Part II

Chair's Report

- Chair Olive Scott stated that she is looking forward to commencement
 - Carol Brock, founder of the New York Chapter of Les Dames d'Escoffier, will receive a doctor of humane letters at commencement
 - NYS Ag & Markets Commissioner, Richard Ball will be keynote speaker
 - Commissioner Ball will receive an alumnus award during Homecoming
- Chair Olive Scott asked Council Members to send to Amy Healy, their start and end appointment dates to the Council

Old Business

- Unable to implement live streaming of Council meetings
 - ITS staff is looking at other possibilities
 - Possibly go back to videotaped Council Meetings in the fall

- Naming Policy Guidelines for proposals under review. All requests should go to President's Office
- Guidelines for Proposals
 - Council approved motion
 - A campus policy will be very helpful
- Council By-laws
 - Under review by SUNY counsel

New Business

- Chair Olive Scott read resolutions thanking Cliff Hay, Ginny Kintz and Clara Richardson for their service on the College Council
 - A reception in their honor will be held in the Rolling Hills Bistro on May 26
 - Motion to approve the resolutions was made by Susan Rightmyer, seconded by Barbara DiCocco, and carried
- Council Member Anne Myers was appointed as an interim consultant/historian to the newly formed Sustainability and Energy Committee
- Bonnie Martin spoke of the Energy Master Plan
 - Don Shaffer and Joe Batchelder will complete a report and submit to Council Members
 - Sustainability Committee adding energy conservation to their charge
- Council Meeting dates for 2016-2017
 - There will be six meetings
 - President Terenzio and Chair Olive Scott will determine dates and send to Council next month
 - Council Member Linda Cross suggested hosting Council Meetings in different areas on campus
 - Council Member Barbara DiCocco asked that reports be sent before meetings
- Council members need a password to use wifi at council meetings.
- Council Member Phil King asked about a policy for charging/allowing outside groups to use the campus for fund raising and events
 - Policy is being created
- Council Member Phil King asked about Coby cash used at outside merchants
 - Coby cash has been expanded to be used county-wide at participating merchants

Council Members and President Terenzio went into Executive Session at 10:15. A motion to adjourn the regular meeting and to into Executive Session was made by Tracy Purcell, seconded by Linda Cross, and carried. A motion to adjourn the Executive Session at 10:26 was made by Eric Stein, seconded by Phil King, and carried.

The next meeting will be held in September 2016.

Respectfully submitted by,

Amy Healy and Irene Loucks

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