Shared Governance Minutes

May 11, 2023


Committee and Taskforce: Sveda-Webb thanked everyone for voting quickly on the Dev. Ed. Taskforce. Dev. Ed. Taskforce, IT and Facilities Planning Committee with a Campus Aesthetics and Art Display Subcommittee, ERP Taskforce, and SEM Plan will all go to the President’s Cabinet next week. Toyin Fox could not attend today; therefore, the Antiracism Statement is postponed until June.

Professional Development Committee: Shannon Newman spoke regarding the desire to build relationship activities on campus. The committee understands that HR plans similar events, so they are asking if the council could advise them on how they could be involved (if at all) in creating more social networking and relationship-building events. Or should a different committee or task force be assembled? What scope and/or purpose do you see in the PD Committee moving forward? Chair Sveda-Webb suggested the SG Committee give this issue some thought, take the information back to their group, and provide feedback at the June meeting.

Strategic Enrollment Plan (SEM): Jordan Mays, Christy Stewart, and Rachel Sveda-Webb spoke regarding the organization of the new SEM plan. A copy of the new SEM Plan Outline was given to all SG members present (attached). Sveda-Webb discussed the four goals of the committee and explained the outline. Mays stated that the president would like to see a 4% increase in enrollment by the end of the SEM Plan. Sveda-Webb stated that the Plan is not totally finished, but the overall plan is to vote on the SEM Plan as is and present it to President’s Cabinet next week and have the final Plan to the group in June. The SEM Plan representatives excused themselves from the room, and a vote was taken. Upon a roll call, all members present voted yes. The SEM Plan was approved and will now move to President’s Cabinet.

Employee Comments (comments and responses are verbatim):

Comment: I must confess I'm not sure why the college allows bibles to be handed out with such regularity during school hours. Is it truly necessary for the college to allow the inundation of students with religious materials in an educational environment meant for intellectual growth and diversity? I know for a fact the school would be singing a different tune if it were a Muslim or Hindu group handing out the Quran or Vedas.

Response: We agree that JALC is an educational environment meant for intellectual growth and diversity. As such, and also because we are a public institution, it is our responsibility to allow exposure to different experiences and ideas on our campus. This means that all religious groups are permitted here, if they request it, as long as they are respectful while they are here. We are currently vetting an option to create a free speech space on campus. If someone on campus feels pressured or harassed by a person or group providing information or materials or if you know of a person or group who was not permitted on campus after placing a request, please contact the Assistant Provost of Student Affairs.
Comment: Just a comment...I think it was terrible that the college did not celebrate the men's basketball team winning the National Championship. Poor planning on all involved! The community is disappointed and I am as well.

Response: Our intent was never to disappoint the community as we appreciate all the support of our Athletic program. A “Welcome Home” celebration was held at the College on the day the team returned from the National Tournament. The team was also honored with a dinner at Giant City State Park. A decision was made to forgo any other type of celebration due to the time constraints of our players taking college campus visits as well as making sure every member of the team could be present if any other type of event was held.

Greg Starrick

C & I Update: Allied Health and Public Service

Cosmetology Program: Course description, objective, and modality changes (online) and 1 hour credit increase for COS 113 to incorporate practice review of theory along with lab to prepare students for state board exam. The AAS Cosmetology and Cosmetology certificate will increase by one hour since they both require COS 113 which increased by one hour.

Council Member Comments/Open Forum: Sveda-Webb announced that Megan Moseley has turned in her resignation. She will be leaving JALC on June 30. This is the first situation we are facing to replace someone on SG. Emily Monti has been notified that she is now the representative for her group, and Sveda-Webb will be drafting a document regarding the replacement of council members. Moseley will also reach out to her group to search for a volunteer to be an alternate to Monti.

The meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.