

Faculty Senate Meeting
Charleston Campus Room I-108
November 6, 2009

1. Chair Rauls called the meeting to order at 1:07 p.m.
2. The attendance sheet was signed
3. **Guest:** NSHE Chancellor, Dan Klaich

Chair Rauls introduced Dr. Richards, who invited Faculty to ask him anything they are concerned about. Dr. Richards discussed the issue of Growth versus Quality which was discussed at Convocation. He used the Math Department as an example, with an enrollment of 102%. Dr. Richards stated that quality gets compromised with over growth. He asked for Faculty help in figuring out how to balance quality with growth. Dr. Richards introduced Chancellor Klaich.

Chancellor Klaich offered appreciation for being invited to the Faculty Senate meeting. He stated he attended the Foundation Breakfast and it was absolutely fantastic. Chancellor Klaich said the format focused on students and it was wonderful to hear student's stories.

Chancellor discussed the problems Nevada is facing with a 2.3 Billion dollar hole in the budget. He noted that CSN was hit hard last year and will have to grapple with this in the 2011 Legislative session. Chancellor Klaich stated things will be worst in the 2011 session, and suggested that faculty bring candidates in to find out what they stand for and how they plan to build the budget and where they plan to cut. He reported that he spoke with students before this meeting and said the legislators need to hear from students. He praised Dr. Richards for doing a good job. And listened to comments from Senators and answered questions. During the discussion a comment about how CSN staff and faculty do not make statements to the media or the legislators regarding the impact of budget cuts. Maybe the media needs to be aware (from our perspective) how the budget cuts are affecting everyone; students, staff and faculty. The Chancellor recommended we be respectful and no whining. The discussion concluded that it may be time for us to speak about the impact of cuts.

4. **Guest:** Shirley Carton, CSN Foundation

Shirley Carton, Operations Manager for Foundation discussed the upcoming Holiday Party sponsored by the Foundation Board of Trustees. She reported that they will be partnered with Three Square Back Pack Program. Employees will be asked to give five dollars per person to attend this year's party, and they are asking employees to bring items for the Back Pack Program. Every Friday, students Back Packs will be filled with enough food for the weekend. She said tickets will be available at the cashier's office and in her office (E-building room 316); all information is available on the Foundation website.

4. Approval of October 2, 2009 Minutes:

Motion to approve the minutes was made by ???and seconded by Chuck Milne; Minutes were approved by majority vote.

Academic Dishonesty Policy:

Chair Rauls reported that Fred Monardi, chair of the Academic Standards committee could not attend the meeting today. Senator Shellie Keller explained that the committee has new members with new perspectives and they will try to hammer issues out before the December meeting. Senator Dianna Clennan said there will be a big change, with a form that will go to a Code Officer who will keep track of everything that is turned in. She also said they want to produce a flow chart by December. Chair-Elect Kerney answered a question asking if this will go into the student conduct code. Chair-Elect Kerney reported they took a template from UNLV and adjusted it to fit CSN. Chair Rauls asked that the committee look at the Syllabus Policy. Senator Diana Anson said there is a problem with International Students, Chair Rauls interjected that there are cultural differences in other types of Academic settings. He said the Policy is clear to students, in regard to what is not allowed. Chair-Elect Kerney said he hopes to get the Policy in final form and back to Legal by the time it comes back to Senate.

Faculty Evaluation:

Chair Rauls asked Jim Matovina to discuss the Evaluation Policy. Jim Matovina discussed the evaluation deadlines and went over the proposed amendments to the policy. He explained each amendment and Senators made a few changes. Motion to approve the amendments with changes was made by Steve Konowalow and seconded by Sondra Cosgrove; Motion was approved by majority vote.

Chair's Report:

Chair Rauls asked for an update on the DE Standards and Guidelines Committee:

Past-Chair Cosgrove reported that the committee met this morning. She said the committee is huge and there is representation from every School and Department. Their goal is to make it more the policy more workable. She says so far they have gone through the Policy and removed some language; they have also taken out teaching instructions. They are now trying to streamline the Policy so there is less variation between departments. They are halfway through and will hopefully have something by the first meeting of next semester. Past-Chair Cosgrove and Shari Lyman will come back to Senate when they have a complete draft.

The Resolution passed by Faculty Senate for Support of Additional E Learning Personnel was presented to President Richards.

Past-Chair Cosgrove reported that Terry Norris was present at the DE meeting this morning, he and Whitney Kilgore will come to next month's meeting to discuss angel and the proposed change to 7.4 in Summer 2010.

Past-Chair Cosgrove announced that chancellor Dan Klaich will have a Facebook Page

Bookstore Committee:

Chair Rauls reported that because it involves outside contracts, the bookstore committee cannot be moved to Faculty Senate. Students want more representation on the Bookstore Committee. Chair Rauls reported that the Bookstore has made a sizable donation to the Scholarship Fund as a result of the bookstore not having titles on time. Chair Rauls said Faculty need to make sure the students understand the Bookstore rules. It was suggested to put a blurb on the syllabus regarding the \$25.00 gift cards for students if the bookstore doesn't have their books on time.

Hiring Positions:

Chair Rauls reported that Faculty Positions are slowly being hired. They have had interviews for a Librarian position and a number of Departments are starting to hire. More positions will be coming for spring searches for fall 2010 hires. Chair Rauls reported that the VP Provost Position committee has been expanded to nine members, and they have 34 applicants. John Mueller, of Human Resources, stated that all finalists will be visiting all campuses.

General Education:

Chair Rauls stated there has not been a formal process for adding, removing or changing the General Education list. He has come up with a sub-group from the Curriculum Committee to develop a process for General Education tracking. He has chosen Darin Dockstader as Chair and Randy Becker as Co-Chair thus far, and will add other members from the Curriculum Committee. Chair Rauls stated it will be a long process and will take a while to put together. He said Hyla Winters is a sitting member of the Gen Ed Committee at UNLV.

New Business:

Senator Laura McBride said the English Department is frustrated by the length of time it takes for courses to get through Curriculum Committees before they are entered into the Course Catalog. Chair Rauls will discuss the time-line with Beverly Jackson, Catalog Coordinator, and invite her to the next Senate meeting. Senator Patrick Villa asked a question regarding catalog production being outsourced. Chair-Rauls will get back scheduling people in to discuss the issue. Chair Rauls said there has always been a problem getting CSN changes to NSHE, they have to get paper copies, and they never take electronic changes. Chair Rauls will bring the issue up at the Senate Chairs meeting on Tuesday.

Senator Diana Anson reminded Senators about the Day of Service being held Wednesday, November 11th; she encourages Faculty Staff and Students to attend. This is available through Service Learning. She said the Department of Student Life can track everything for you, contact Vitaliano Figueroa for more information.

Bob Gutschick asked a question regarding why workers get paid for not working. Chair Rauls explained that part of the Code for Administrative Faculty is notification for cause, the notice requirement of one year protects the Academic Faculty. Chair Rauls could not answer more questions do to confidentiality issues.

Dorsey Ballow asked if Three Square would be able to set up donation boxes on all three campuses to help with their Three Square/Student initiative, and that everything collected on the campuses could be delivered to the Holiday Party.

Motion to adjourn was made by Steve Konowalow

Meeting adjourned at 3:33 pm

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	Tracy Sherman	<i>Tracy Sherman</i>
	Dorsey Ballow ✓	Present
	Heidi Schneiter	<i>Heidi Schneiter</i>
	Doreen Craig	<i>Doreen Craig</i>
	Donna Enrico	<i>Donna Enrico</i>
	Jack Sawyer	
	Billy Duke	<i>Billy Duke</i>
	Patrick Villa	<i>Patrick Villa</i>
	Chuck Milne	<i>Chuck Milne</i>
	Peter Lanagan	<i>Peter Lanagan</i>
	Cindy Shroba	<i>Cindy Shroba</i>