

### **CALL TO ORDER**

President Moore called College Council to session at 2:02 p.m.

### **ATTENDEES**

Council Members Present: Mary-Rita Moore, Ernest Davis, Purva DeVol, Humberto Espino, Michael Flaherty, Michael Henson, Hector Hernandez, Joe Klinger, Hilary Meyer, Ty Perkins, Whitney Romero, Kurian Tharakunnel, Shelley Tiwari.

Council Members Absent: Lakedra Love, Mary Wink.

Others Present: Susan Campos, Kimberly Donahue, Michael Garrity, Paul Jensen, Jodi Koslow Martin, Colleen Rockafellow, Brenda Jones Watkins.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Dr. Flaherty made a motion to approve the minutes from the regular Council meeting of March 20, 2023, seconded by Mr. Klinger. Voice vote carried the motion unanimously.

### **HOT TOPICS**

None.

### **OPERATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

Dr. Tharakunnel reported on highlights given at the April 10 Operational Assembly meeting. Academic Affairs reported that the Radiology and Ophthalmology Programs both received continuing accreditation. Student Affairs has many upcoming Admission events, including Senior High School Preview Days, Admission Sneak Peak, and the Car Show. The Summer Refresh Program will be offered again this summer. Students are being recruited for the TRIO Program and SEED Cohort. Technology reported that the core switch replacement has been completed and is working to get auto-award financial aid in place to improve turnaround time when processing awards. Research reported that the annual Student Satisfaction Survey went out this afternoon; changes to the questions this year include the removal of COVID questions and addition of the question, "What would be one thing you wish you knew before starting at Triton?" Dr. Tharakunnel asked Council members to encourage students to complete the survey.

### **ACADEMIC SENATE**

Dr. Flaherty provided information on the April Academic Senate meeting. Curriculum Committee brought through various updates including the reactivation of some EGR courses. Campus Quality is looking at best practices in room locking. Academic & Scholastic Standards brought their proposal for a topical outline on syllabi. After discussion, the measure failed, and members were asked to let Ms. Feltman know of their suggestions. It is hoped that the policy will be

revised and brought back to the May Senate meeting. The Assessment Committee is looking to fill its Chair position. Dr. Flaherty was re-elected for another year as Senate Chair.

### **STUDENT SUCCESS**

AVP of Academic Innovation & Workforce Education Paul Jensen provided a report on the Perkins V grant, including a history of vocational education, a look at the data, and addressing the gaps. Since the early 1900's, experts have argued whether academic education and vocational education should be separate or integrated. In 1917 a National Vocational Education Department was created and then increased in the 1960's. After criticism of the system which assigned marginalized groups to vocational education only, the Carl D. Perkins Vocational Education Act was passed, shifting the focus from expanding programs to improving programs. The Perkins Act has been reauthorized several times.

Mr. Jensen explained the data measured as: 1P1 Postsecondary Retention & Placement which measures the percentage of students enrolled at another institution or employed who completed a credential, certificate, or degree; 2P1 Credential, Certificate, or Degree which measures the percentage of students who completed; and 3P1 Non-Traditional Program Enrollment which measures the percentage of students in non-traditional fields. Triton's 2P1 figure is low because of completion rates for men. The data is looked at every year, and Triton is always a couple years behind on the cohort because the cohort is defined by completion, which is a lagging indicator with completion not happening until the end of an academic year.

To address gaps, conversations across the state have been about activities that incentivize completing a program when someone has a job, such as flexible class schedules, paid internships, and shorter times to completion. Council members discussed ways to get information about addressing the gaps including gaining student feedback and getting insights from other institutions. Solutions could be addressing preparedness, student advocacy, teaching students how to be a college student (COL 102), looking at transportation issues, and convenient class scheduling.

Mr. Jensen shared the Work Plan used to develop activities around objectives and goals that includes the following components: 1) Work-Based Learning; 2) Career Exploration, Development, and Guidance; 3) Supporting Special Populations Students; 4) Early College Credit; 5) Enhanced Curriculum and Instruction; and 6) Recruitment, Retention, and Professional Preparation, Development and Training.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

None.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### ELLUCIAN EXPERIENCE

AVP of Information Systems Michael Garrity provided a demonstration of a new Ellucian product, Ellucian Experience, that will replace the portal at the end of the fiscal year (June 2023). The new portal is more like a dashboard, but will continue to be called the portal. Content is sorted on “cards.” Some cards are locked so they show up for everyone, and the rest can be rearranged and customized per personal preference. WebAdvisor is also being replaced by Self-Service at the end of June.

#### HLC NEXT STEPS

Dr. DeVol reported that the draft reaffirmation document is complete. The document has well over 150 individual points of information and is being prepared to share with all employees. The Executive Team will review over the summer and submission will happen in the fall. Mock visit preparations will take place in the fall in preparation for the HLC 10-Year Reaffirmation of Accreditation Visit on February 5 and 6, 2024.

#### FY 24 BUDGET PROGRESS

Executive Director of Business Operations Colleen Rockafellow provided an update on the FY 24 Budget progress. She did a quick recap of the budget timeline with preparation of the Tentative Budget in April and May for approval by the Board in June. July is the start of the new fiscal year and cost neutral transfers will be open, and the preparation of the Final Budget will conclude in August for submission to the Board in September. Mr. Rockafellow discussed the Cost Center Manager surveys, which met with very positive results with everyone generally happy with the process. Dr. Flaherty commented that he likes how the process was modified from the past. President Moore acknowledged Ms. Rockafellow and everyone involved in the continuous improvement of the institutional budgeting process over the past several years.

#### NEXT MEETING

The next College Council meeting will be held on Monday, May 15, 2023.

#### OTHER

None.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Klinger made a motion, seconded by Ms. Meyer, to adjourn the meeting. Voice vote carried the motion unanimously. College Council was adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Page