Pierpont Community and Technical College Faculty Senate Meeting

Friday, September 13st, 2024 216 Advanced Technology Center No Teams recording is available for this meeting

I. Roll Call

John Adair	Ironda Campbell	Nick George	Elliott Stricklin
Anthony Anobile	Janet Cole	Brad Gilbert	
Lori Barrett	Jennifer Ellison	Jack Lowe	
Rachel-Plybon Beach	Stephanie Flaherty	Bryanna Ordiway	
Les Boggess Absent	Lisa Foster Absent	Erika Rush	

Faculty Representatives Present

Business, Aviation, &

Technology:

General Education &

Professional Studies: Pam Hamilton

Health Sciences:

ACF Representative: Vickie Findley

BOG Representative: Susan Coffindaffer

SGA Representative: Jessica Barker

Attending Deans: David Beighley, Amy Cunningham

Faculty & Guests:

Call to Order

Senate President Anobile called the meeting to order at 1:02 pm in room 216 of the Advanced Technology Center. No virtual meeting option was available per Senate President Anobile's request for in-person attendance to this meeting. Quorum was established and attendance was taken using roll call. Order of the day was established on the agenda.

II. Welcome by the President

A. Senate President Anobile welcomed everyone to the September meeting.

III. Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)

- A. Corrections to / Approval of May 10, 2024, Faculty Senate minutes.
 - Jack Lowe motioned to approve the minutes. Nick George seconded the motion to approve the minutes. Senate President Anobile called the vote which passed unanimously.
- B. Corrections to / Approval of August 28, 2024, Faculty Senate minutes.
 - Nick George motioned to approve the minutes. Rachel Plybon-Beach seconded the motion to approve the minutes. Senate President Anobile called the vote which passed unanimously.

IV. Senate President's Report

- A. President Anobile gave an update on first committee meetings already held, with chairpersons selected.
 - 1. Faculty Development and Welfare: Chair Bryanna Ordiway
 - 2. General Education: Chair Deb Lupica-Scott
 - 3. Online Learning: Chair Erika Rush
- B. After Friday 9/20, the 2024-2025 Faculty Senate Committee List will be updated to include all chairpersons for all standing committees.
- C. Curriculum Committee timelines as listed in the Faculty Handbook will be reviewed and updated if necessary
- D. Bookstore issues with Follett as reported by faculty and students will be communicated to the President. Faculty must meet established timelines from Follett.
- E. Any issues that you would like to see addressed at a Meet & Confer need to be brought to President Anobile prior to his meetings with the President the Monday before a Meet & Confer session.
- F. Items noted from the Meet & Confer session on 9/11/24 included the following:
 - 1. Updates to the Pierpont logo are on hold after lack of agreement on logo and prioritizing of tasks.
 - 2. Enrollment numbers are up.
 - 3. Final Plans for the ATC 3rd flood renovations have been presented to the BOG. Plans include space for the President's Cabinet, Administrative offices, several meeting rooms, as well as plans for Student Services presence in the front of the building.
- G. The draft of Shared Governance Workgroups, which are more collaborative and slightly different than committees, will allow for currency in each academic year.
 - 1. Instead of policies with firm rules, Workgroups will work on more flexible proposals.
 - 2. Concerns about requirements for chairpersons of workgroups to be 12-month employees were discussed.
 - 3. Ironda Campbell asked whether workgroups will also have online options for faculty.
 - 4. President Anobile reminded everyone that this is still a work in progress.
 - 5. Faculty are encouraged to make comments on the Shared Governance documents.

V. Administrative Reports

- A. President Milan Hayward, who had conflicting meetings, forwarded his appreciation for faculty and for the excellent start to the semester. He sent his best wishes for a good meeting.
- B. Provost Michael Waide forwarded handouts of Meet & Confer notes from Sept 11, 2024, for all to review.
 - 1. President Anobile commented that the President's Cabinet seemed happy with where we are as an institution.

VI. Faculty Representation and Committees

- A. ACF Report: Vickie Findley (copy available in the TEAMS Sept folder)
 - 1. The Fall Retreat for planning agendas will be at the Stonewall Resort on Nov 8-9, 2024.
- B. Board of Governors Report: Susan Coffindaffer (copy available in the TEAMS Sept folder)
 - 1. BOG has met 4 times since the May Faculty Senate meeting.
 - a. May 14, 2024
 - 1) 3 committees met, none met quorum
 - 2) Full board met, no quorum
 - b. June 18, 2024
 - 1) Met to elect offices, no quorum
 - 2) Nancy Parks new position was announced
 - 3) Discussions ensued about increasing welding capacity
 - 4) The Board asked to see the Strategic Alignment Plan
 - 5) Kristen Cosner presented a new logo, while the Board was concerned about the associated costs.
 - c. July 2024
 - 1) The Board met briefly to review the HLC report.
 - d. Aug 15, 2024
 - 1) The Board met to approve a right-of-way
 - 2) Discussion included the need for Pierpont signage for the Caperton Center parking lot.
 - 2. Next BOG meeting is Sept 17, 2024, where the 2024-2026 Strategic Alignment Plan and ATC 3rd floor plans will be presented.
 - a. Susan Coffindaffer mentioned the 3rd floor plans do not have cost attached.
 - b. 2 BOG members have left, leaving vacancies to fill. Replacements are being sought.
 - 3. A question was asked regarding protocol to join BOG meetings. It is acceptable to just show up.
- C. SGA Report: Jessica Barker, Student Government President
 - 1. Ms. Barker reported that it has been a slow start for SGA, with their first meeting held on Mon Sept 9, 2024.
 - 2. SGA is looking to recruit 2 new senators
 - 3. SGA is planning to participate in several fall events: Trunk or Treat at the VA and Pierpont's Trick or Treat at the ATC.
 - 4. Susan Coffindaffer asked how the first week welcome events were perceived by students.

- a. Students enjoyed the food trucks, which went better at the Caperton Center and Aviation Center than at the ATC, where some students and staff waited in long lines for 30-60 minutes for food. It was recommended to plan for multiple trucks to be the ATC for any future similar events.
- b. It was mentioned to also consider the students at the Middletown Commons when planning events.
- 5. President Anobile commented about his appreciation for Ms. Barker and said he looks forward to working with SGA this year.
- D. Committee Reports-no reports
 - 1. President Anobile mentioned the General Education Professional Rubrics will be implemented in introductory classes, with guidance from Dr, Suzan Clemens.
 - 2. President Anobile also discussed his plans to communicate more and get information out as soon as possible.
- VII. Old Business none
- VIII. New Business none
- IX. Open Forum and Discussion
 - A. Jessica Barker stated that anyone who knows students that would be interested in joining SGA to contact her. SGA is looking for 3 senators and 2 executive members.
 - B. Bryanna Ordiway, Chair of Faculty Development and Welfare, commented that many faculty members felt that too much was scheduled for during Professional Development Week, leaving faculty without enough time to get classes ready.
 - 1. Dean Dave Beighley recommended that a Senate Resolution be drafted to address concerns.
 - 2. President Anobile will also relay this information to administration.
 - C. John Adair commented that students appreciated seeing the faculty during the first week welcome activities.
 - D. Brad Gilbert commented that Faculty Development and Welfare Committee should investigate faculty overload pay, which has not had an increase in recent years.
 - E. Nick George reported that audio-visual equipment in the IT classroom has been out for several weeks. Delays in fixing or replacing the equipment may be related to money and company contracts.
 - 1. President Anobile said he will send an email to JT to escalate the IT Ticket for these issues.

X. Announcements:

- A. Sept 17-BOG Meeting
- B. Sept 23-4 Week Grades (early alert) due
- C. Sept 28-Girls Aviation Day 10a-2p
- D. Oct 29-Pierpont Trick or Treat
- E. Oct 31-Blood Drive

XI. Adjournment

A. With no further business or announcements, a movement was made by Erika Rush to adjourn and seconded by Janet Cole. The meeting was adjourned at 2:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Erika Rush 2024 – 2026 Pierpont Faculty Senate Secretary