

## **Campus Council**

**February 25, 2015**

**Members Present: Diane Mucci (Chair), Scott Matthews (Vice Chair ), Kyle Cervantes, Randy Fournier, Laura Siko (secretary), John Lyver, William McFadden, Nathan Leslie, Bridget Pool**

**Members Absent: Will Straight, Tim Eichers, Radina Mileva, Jamila Vizcaino (SGA President)**

Meeting called to order: 10:02 AM

January 29<sup>th</sup>, 2015 meeting minutes approved with one change.

### **New Business**

Diane welcomed new council members John Lyver (adjunct faculty, Science Division) and William McFadden (adjunct faculty, Communication & Human Studies division).

#### *Presidential Search*

- Four final presidential candidates will be coming to NOVA for interviews in March (confirmed dates TBD). Dr. Schiavelli has requested the Senate form a panel comprised of various groups (classified, teaching faculty, students). The senate panel will meet T/F from 11AM – 12PM at the AL campus. Additionally, he has requested that each Campus Council recruit volunteers to serve on one of two panels which will be assigned to interviews at AL, LO, MA, or WO. Once final dates for interviews are confirmed, Diane will draft a campus-wide email seeking volunteers and ask the Provost's Office send out the message.

### **Old Business**

#### *Faculty Evaluation Plans*

- Diane forwarded the LO Campus Council position statement (voicing concerns that teaching excellence is not appropriately weighted in the faculty evaluation plan) to Charlie Errico, the college-wide lead. The memo was also forwarded by Dean Agnich to Charlotte Calobrisi. The NOVA faculty evaluation implementation team will take Campus Council feedback into consideration moving forward. The LO Campus Council statement reads:

*The Loudoun Campus Council would like to recommend a revision of the current APPDO used for faculty evaluation. The current APPDO only assigns 25% of its weight to the domain of teaching in the evaluation of teaching faculty. In addition, the one domain relevant to teaching is geared toward developing new objectives rather than continuance of teaching excellence in the classroom. Zero percent of the domains lend*

*weight to continuance of teaching excellence, observations or student evaluations. The current APPDO assigns 75% of its weight to the following domains: service, scholarly and creative engagement, and institutional responsibility. Aside from vagueness, overlap and redundancies in these three domains, the fact that 75% of the current faculty evaluation focuses on non-teaching activities needs prompt revision for the 2015-2016 academic year.*

The Council also seeks clarification on the procedure for receiving feedback from Deans after evaluations are submitted. The council would also like a timeline and repository for forms (with examples) for easy access. It was suggested the topic be addressed at the next Academic Division meeting(s).

### *Online Evaluations*

The Fall 2014 student evaluations that were completed online (for the first time) were lost by the contracted survey provider for at least two departments (BIO & ENG). All data and feedback from students was lost. The council is unaware if other campuses were also affected.

The LO Campus Council would like to refer the matter of lost data to Dr. Leidig. The council will draft a statement asking the Provost to take the matter forward to Administrative Council for further discussion.

Diane will reach out to other campus council chairs for input.

Diane and Nathan will draft a more formal statement (to be forwarded to other Councils) in the spirit of the following: "The Loudoun Campus Council requests an inquiry into the extent of the lost Fall 2014 student evaluation data by the contractor (IOTA solutions) and the effect on faculty evaluations moving forward."

### *Wall Décor for LS Building (and others)*

Diane brought forward a suggestion from Will Straight proposing installation of display cases in LS and other buildings so student organizations can tastefully post announcements/flyers/etc. The Council suggests taking the issue to the Student Activities Coordinator or Director of Campus Operations to identify possible funding.

### *Briefings at Division Meetings*

Nathan suggested including a brief report from Campus Council and/or Senate at the monthly academic division meetings. This will be an opportunity to communicate what Campus Council is working on and solicit feedback and suggestions from faculty. Nathan will reach out to Dean O'Brien and Diane will reach out to Dean Agnich for a spot on the upcoming agendas.

Next meeting:

Meeting adjourned: 11:23 AM