CAPITAL COLLEGE FACULTY SENATE MINUTES March 23, 2010

Attendees:

Capital College Senators: S. Agili, J. Harris, R. Luquis, G. McGuigan, B. Ran, M. Strickland, E. Taylor, M. Wilson, and S. Wolpert

Administrators Present: M. Hanes, M. Kulkarni

Absent: F. Ahmed, N. Bayraktar, J. Ruiz

Matthew Wilson, Senate President, opened the meeting at 12:35 p.m. Wilson turned to meeting over to President Elect Wolpert, since he needed to leave the meeting early.

A. Minutes Approval for Faculty Senate Meeting

1. Wolpert requested a motion to approve the minutes of the February 25, 2010 meeting. A motion was made by Harris/Strickland to approve the minutes as written and they were unanimously approved

B. Minutes Approval for Academic Affairs Meeting

1. A motion was made by Luquis/Taylor to approve the minutes from the March 16, 2010 and meetings and was unanimously approved.

C. <u>Communications to the Senate</u>

None

D. Report of the Senate President

1. Wilson reported that we are in the beginning the election for President Elect of the Faculty Senate. The ballot was to be distributed later that afternoon. Promotion and Tenure Nominations would also be going out that afternoon.

E. Comments by the Chancellor

- 1. An announcement is forthcoming appointing Dr. Mukund Kulkarni as Interim Chancellor effective July 1, 2010. The search for the new Chancellor will soon be underway. The position announcement will be appearing in the forthcoming issues of the *Chronicle of Higher Education* and the call for nominations for search committee membership is forthcoming in the near term as well.
- 2. Enrollments for Summer and Fall 2010 are under examination. Undergraduate numbers were down last summer, perhaps due to the economy or shifts in enrollments in favor of World Campus. However, graduate numbers remained fairly stable. Penn State Harrisburg's online courses tend to perform well in summer sessions. Academic Council is considering increasing online course offerings, giving students greater flexibility to enroll during the summer months. Fall enrollment appears to be solid. At present, out-of-state enrollment is holding at the same percentage as last year (approximately 30 % of the incoming class is

from out-of-state.) The college already has a waiting list for the new freshmen only student housing as well as the apartment style housings. It is still too early to provide reliable enrollment information about new international students, since these students often do not enroll until closer to the beginning of the Fall semester. Overall numbers of international students are increasing. This year the college had 79 students; with the greatest increase evident among undergraduate students. The full-time, undergraduate student population is continuing to grow; as is the number of transfer students entering at the upper division.

F. <u>Comments from the University Council Representative</u> None

- G. <u>Forensic Business</u> None
- H. <u>New Business</u> None
- I. <u>Unfinished Business</u> None
- J. <u>Legislative Reports</u> None
- K. <u>Advisory/Consultative Reports</u> None
- L. <u>New Legislative Business</u> None

M. Comments and Recommendations for the Good of the College

The Faculty Senate took the opportunity to congratulate Dr. Hanes on her promotion to Vice President of Commonwealth Campuses. They also expressed their sadness. Dr. Hanes will be greatly missed.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:10pm.

Next Faculty Senate Meeting April 22, 2010 12:30pm C300

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