Faculty Senate, Sept. 12, 2017

Minutes submitted by: Sheri Turk, Vice President

Attending: Sheri Turk, Susan Cain, Elaine Merritt, Brian Kane, Avery Brown, Michael Despeaux, Dawn Wick, Linda Aiken, Jennifer Barfield, Sharon Lauffer, Lisa Sizemore, Donna Conner, Hunter Braswell, Amy Russ, David Jons

Susan Cain welcomed everyone to our first fall meeting. She provided a list of the Senators for 2017-2018. A couple of changes were made. Susan will update the list which will then be distributed with a bulleted list of notes to all faculty.

Dr. Brooks presented Senators with a \$10 gift certificate to Café 64 in appreciation for their service.

Dr. Brooks was also present to share where the process is surrounding the Faculty Titles. Community colleges across the state were poled at the beginning of the process and it was found that about 1/3 of the colleges have or were in the process of working on titles beyond the instructor title. The working group from last year have defined the process. It will be peer driven with an evaluation based on teaching. He provided application, self-evaluation form, and a policy statement. The self-evaluation is the same as the Teaching Excellence form. There needs to be a rubric created to utilize in the process. It has been suggested that a two year increment between changes in title be utilized. (However, at the beginning of the process, long term instructors may apply for the top title of Professor.) Next steps will be to form a new working group to complete the rubric and any final details before presenting back to the ISSA team for approval and then to the Executive Council and the Board. It was asked if this will apply to adjuncts. Yes, they can become Assistant Professors similar to university systems.

Susan noted that committee appointments are being made at this time. Faculty should be getting those appointments over the next few days. Please be aware, that if you serve on a committee, you should know that you are the designated person to report to the Faculty Senate concerning the work of the committee. Susan also requested that faculty let her know on which committees they have been appointed.

Brett Woods shared excitement and information concerning the Gala, Sept. 16. The hope is that we will reach the one million dollar goal during the gala. He also urged us to encourage faculty and staff to continue to make donation, either a one-time donation or a payroll deduction as we continue this falls Faculty and Staff campaign through September 30. There are presently 59 payroll deductions. He also noted that 209 of the students who applied were not supported. The need is still greater than the resources.

Old Business:

We created a Selection and Review Committee to complete the work of the Faculty Titles. The following people volunteered or will be asked to serve.

Sheri Turk, Susan Cain, Hunter Braswell, Brain Kane, Lisa Sizemore, Danell Moses, Bethany Emory