Faculty Senate Minutes

September 22, 2010

Present: Penny Wells, Kirk Stephens, Mitch Fischer, Elizabeth Haynes, Bob Holt, Ron Poor, Connie Gregory, Randy McCall, Debbie Ray, Bucky Dann, Diane Page, Carolyn Porter, Scott Cline, Tony Belcher, Michael Deaver, Ashley Cunningham, Dianne English, Kurt Berger, Pete Wolosin, Barb Connell, Terry Tolle, Allan Grant, Paul Wolfe, Chris Cox, Linda Aiken, Mary Bradley, Delia Frederick, Andrea Kennedy, Melissa Allen, Sheri Turk, Kimi Stephens, Matt Cass, Kim Argo, Meg Petty, Tim Quiring, Ellen Heim, Kelly Burch, Thom Brooks

The faculty senate meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm by President Bob Holt. President Holt then introduced Dr. Richard Collings, SCC's new president. Dr. Collings visit was the only item on the agenda.

Dr. Collings addressed the senate beginning with his personal and educational background and spoke of the various colleges and universities that he has worked at. He spoke of his transition from four year institutions to two year colleges and stated that he sees this as a professional opportunity.

Statements made by Dr. Collings covered a variety of areas:

Respect for small classes versus large classes Keeping the focus on teaching and learning Not planning immediate changes, but being in a listening phase, looking at our processes Management to some degree is situational Accountability Leadership, trying to get people to do the 'right thing' Budget

The floor was opened for questions and when asked about making the campus smoke free, Dr. Collings said that it depends on what the community thinks and the need to hear from everybody who's affected. When asked how he was feeling Dr. Collings responded that he is "doing well, feeling pretty good, has been hiking and back on the treadmill."

Meeting adjourned at 4:07 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Randy McCall, Secretary Faculty Senate