

Minutes for the WHCL Academic Senate meeting on September 14, 2015  
Room 209, 12:15-1:00

Membership: Tiffani Gonzales (Vice-President; Counseling), Rene Paredes (Secretary; Social Science), Jacqui Shehorn (Arts & Letters), Shawn Jackson (Math & Science), Kent Olson (Health & Wellness), Terry Davis (CTE), and Joel Rogers (President).

**I. Opening:**

- A. Call to order 12:21 pm
- B. In attendance: Joel Rogers, Jacqui Shehorn, Marta Hendrickson (sub for Tiffani Gonzales), Rene Paredes; Kent Olson, Shawn Jackson, James Preston (administrative representative), Members absent: Terry Davis

**II. Public Comments:**

James Preston will be attending Academic Senate meetings as the administrative representative in lieu of Dave Bolt, who is at the curriculum committee meeting.

**III. Approval of Minutes:**

- Approved Minutes from meeting on 8-31-15

**IV. Action Items:**

- A. Approved that Marta Hendrickson & Joel Rogers to serve on Equivalency Committee with Tiffani Gonzales as Chairperson.
- B. Approved that Libra Howard and Jacqui Shehorn as peer evaluators for Shannon Turmon. Kim Sheffield alternate
- C. Tabled--Frieda Ganter, Jamison Birrell, and Joel Rogers as peer evaluators for Jay Thomas—Jay needs to choose two names, third as alternate.

**V. Discussion Items:**

- A. Feedback regarding board policies: Textbook and Open Educational Resources  
Faculty from all learning areas expressed concern with the requirement that 80% of degree-applicable programs adopting OER materials because of the newness of OER and the limitations of support materials in OER. Additional concerns regarding the quality of OER & the violation of academic freedom by requiring specific textbook adoptions. Counseling faculty were concerned with accessibility of OER and would like a statement such as: all items including supplemental resources must be accessible and meet Section 508 compliance.

**VI. Reports**

- A. Senate President—PGC meets Tuesday
- B. Administrative representative—Basic Skills Committee is creating their annual report. Equity report is currently being revised and their report will be done in a



couple of weeks. ENGAGE model created during Innovate by Jacqui and her group needs to be circulated, encourage use among all faculty, perhaps use TNT sessions during Spring 2016.

C. Math & Science Learning Area report--nothing

### **VII. Future Agenda Items**

- Arts & Letters report (9/28)
- Social Science report (10/12)
- Counselling report (10/26)
- Health & Wellness report (11/9)
- CTE report (12/7)

### **VII. Next Meeting**

September 28, 2015

