

SUNY Cobleskill College Council
October 7, 2020
Meeting (via Zoom) minutes

In attendance: Eric Stein, Barbara DiCocco, Rich Shultes, Tracy Purcell, Linda Cross, Micheal Lee Edwards

Not in attendance: Phil King and Susan Rightmyer

Guests: Marion Terenzio, Sue Zimmermann, Wendy Gilman, Bonnie Martin, John Zacharek, Anne Hopkins Gross, Amy Healy, Barbara Brabetz

Eric Stein welcomed student member of the council, Micheal Lee-Edwards, and everyone in attendance introduced themselves.

Linda Cross made a motion to approve the minutes from September 9th 2020, Tracy Purcell seconded, the motion passed and minutes were approved without discussion or changes.

Part I—Information Sharing with Campus Contingencies

Student Government Update—Micheal Lee-Edwards

- SGA in contact with deans to hold an open forum with students to discuss new COVID rules
- Wednesday or Thursday forum
- SGA president met the chancellor during his visit on campus

President's update-Marion Terenzio

- SUNY moving to a NY clusters action—high risk clusters must go remote
- Phase II for students—Anne Hopkins Gross
 - Athletes can play one on one
 - Events of 20 or less can gather—encouraged to go outside
 - Students can visit within residence halls—with masks
 - Esports lounge is now open
- No outside groups on campus for student meetings
- Employees must be tested—pool testing
 - Saliva tests, groups of 12, samples go to Upstate Medical

Academic Affairs—Sue Zimmermann

- Meeting with faculty teaching remotely and face-to-face
 - Getting feedback
- Spring schedule
 - Considering different models
 - Adding a few in person classes
 - Early planning for commencement
 - Friday class of 2020, Saturday class of 2021

Budget—Wendy Gilman

- State support in question
- Tuition increases—nothing Board of Trustees has acted upon
 - Don't expect action until after the election

TAP and Excelsior—as per the chancellor, funding their awards 100%
Enrollment down 9%—budgeted for 25% decrease

**Agenda item for next meeting—personnel and budget issues

County relationship-

President Terenzio spoke at Board of Supervisors and Economic Development Council

SUNY Cobleskill included in Route 7 corridor project

Business needs—incubator process

Bottling plant on campus—include training

Waste management meeting—last night

Dave Waage, Dave Connolly (Caribou), Wendy Gilman and Marion Terenzio

Gasifier updates-

\$5.8 million grant with Calfire and Caribou

Patent approved

1st royalty payment received

New grant with RIT and Dept of Energy

Do Better Campaign funding—John Zacharek

Fenimore Assets funding DEI training and practices

Strategic Plan re-focus

Council to aid

General Education—priority

Noted gap in Middle States report

Task force meetings set

Assessment plan needed

Building Global perspective—diverse, up-to-date, relevant

Faculty Governance—Barbara Brabetz

Faculty transitions-

Ron Cleeve passed away

Mark Braun—retired

Carl Perez—retired

Semester models—

Focusing on students' mental health

“Don't care what you know until they know you care”

Academic Personnel policies-

Tenure for faculty—virtual portfolios

Academic Policies—

Gender inclusive

Presiding Officer seat—up for election—new presiding officer will come to meeting with Barb

Faculty secretary seat—up for election

On line readiness—

State Ed offered waiver through spring 2021

Foundation/Alumni updates-John Zacharek

\$600,000 total revenue to date

Appeal going out to 10K people

\$10,500 gift—Bender Scientific—Aquaculture

Continuing mini campaigns
Class of '69—strong response
Beth Orgeron leaving to join SUNY Oneonta
Endowment donors giving additional gift to adjust for losses

Middle States—Sue Zimmermann

Subcommittees made drafts-
Created “readers group”—will share with campus in the spring
Spring of 2022—Middle States visit to campus

Part II—Council reports, discussion or actions

Resolution of recognition

Micheal Lee-Edwards made a motion, Tracy Purcell seconded, the motion passed and the resolution will be put on CobyNow, announced and read at forum tomorrow, and submitted to local newspapers

Congressman Delgado visit to campus—Linda Cross

Discussed Eco systems and Zoonosis
Gasifier, grants
Hemp project with Morrisville
USDA grant with Ag engineering and BOCES
Partnership with Oneonta related to the arts
GAP year student plan

New Business—

Community Dialogue-

Forum to keep ourselves true to our mission
College Community and Hospital Community take part in inclusive training
Start by Orange Table—safe space for students to discuss controversial ideas

Barbara DiCocco made a motion to end the meeting, Tracy Purcell seconded and the meeting ended at 9:50 a.m.

The next college council meeting will be November 11th, 2020.