

Onondaga Community College Board of Trustees
Education Committee Meeting
Tuesday, January 28, 2020
8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
W210
Presiding: Trustee Jaime Alicea, Chair

Trustees: Jaime Alicea; Dr. Donna DeSiato; Paul Mello; Dawn Penson; John Sindoni; Mark Tryniski

Staff: Stephanie Aldrich; Anne Marie Bernardoni; Kimberly Blanchet; Russell Corbin; Dr. Gerardo Cummings; Kathleen D’Aprix; Patrick DeFazio; Anne DeLand; Sarah Gaffney; Dr. Christina Granato; Dr. Glenda Gross; Dr. Bridgette Jacob; Linda Kelley; Dr. Patrick Kenny; Amy Kremenek; Mark Manning; Roger Mirabito; JT Ryan; Timothy Stedman; Kathleen Stress; Nina Tamrowski; Wendy Tarby; Scott Titus; Dr. Christopher Thuot; Anastasia Urtz; Eunice Williams

Students: Osamah Ahmed; Abdullah Alaawad; Maisam Al Janabi; Keila Arencibia; Milka Arencibia; Monique Canselo; Dreeasia Garner; Shania Guzman; Annabelle Lamarre; Colin Manwaring; Harith Muhialdain; Alucard Tepes

Call to Order

At 8:00 a.m., Trustee Alicea called the Education Committee meeting to order.

Faculty Senate

Trustee Alicea introduced Nina Tamrowski, Faculty Senate President, to provide an update. Professor Tamrowski handed out a brief summary of activity for the fall semester. She explained that the two most active committees were Scholastic Standards and Curriculum. Scholastic Standards is currently working on academic forgiveness and the definition of online “never attended.” Curriculum has approved 5 new and 9 revised programs, 24 new courses and 32 revised courses. The Senate has established two ad hoc committees on micro-credentialing and the first-year seminar. They have also endorsed the Title III Schools configuration; university global compact principles; 3 Faculty Council of Community Colleges resolutions; SUNY Chancellor Johnson’s statement condemning hate speech; and OCC as an early voting site. Professor Tamrowski mentioned that there are more information sessions scheduled on block scheduling, Box of Books, and an academic commons. There are also co-sponsored conversations with the Provost’s office on building a schedule to attract new students, facilities that support teaching and learning, and student behavior.

New Business

Unity Day Presentation

Trustee Alicea introduced Dr. Glenda Gross and Shania Guzman to provide an update on Unity Day. Students that were recognized include: Osamah Ahmed; Abdullah Alaawad; Maisam Al Janabi; Keila Arencibia; Milka Arencibia; Monique Canselo; Dreeasia Garner; Shania Guzman; Annabelle Lamarre; Colin Manwaring; Harith Muhialdain; and Alucard Tepes.

Updates

Provost's Office Updates

Trustee Alicea introduced Anastasia Urtz, Interim Provost, to provide an update on Academic Affairs. Ms. Urtz began by introducing Professor Patrick DeFazio who is filling in as Interim Dean of Natural & Applied Sciences for the spring 2020 semester. She then reviewed the background information relative to a new degree program in Sustainability. The sponsor department will be Social Sciences and Philosophy led by faculty leaders Dr. Glenda Gross and Professor Buffy Quinn. It is an interdisciplinary program offering focused in liberal arts, social sciences and natural science topics. Ms. Urtz then continued with an update on new programs. She explained that the Nursing A.A.S. evening cohort is at NYSED with approval anticipated shortly. Paramedic A.A.S. and Certificate (collaboration with SUNY Upstate Medical University) was submitted to SUNY and the MOU with SUNY Upstate is in progress. Health Sciences A.S. and Health Studies Certificate; Electromechanical: Drone Technology A.A.S.; Sound Recording A.S.; Geospatial Science Technology A.A.S.; and Creative Writing A.A. are in a 30-day comment period with SUNY through 2/3/20. Human Services A.S. (Weekend College format) is before the Faculty Senate and approval will be sought for Fall 2020 implementation. Faculty Curriculum work continues in Health Administration A.S.; HVAC (workforce) Environmental Systems A.A.S./A.S. (NYS grant support being sought); Automotive A.A.S. redesign; Electromechanical: Robotics, Hydraulics A.A.S.; Digital Design and Drafting A.A.S.; Fire Protection A.A.S.; Cybersecurity A.A.S./A.S.; Data Science A.S.; Spanish A.A.; and Social Science A.A. Ms. Urtz continued her report with an update on transfer agreements. She stated that the agreements with OCC's major transfer partners are under review to accomplish degree to degree matching, student and advisor friendly course equivalency charts, and junior standing upon transfer. The Faculty Senate is considering governance process options to maintain transfer relationships over time. The Provost's Guided Pathways Fellow for this year is Dr. Christopher Thuot. Transfer agreements that have been completed include SUNY Medical University with a new RN/BSN dual admission agreement and SUNY ESF new affiliation agreement mapping Liberal Arts: Math/Science degree to 18 different SUNY ESF bachelor's degrees. Keuka College is working toward a dual admission agreement for Human Services A.S. to Social Work B.S. to support the Weekend College population. SUNY Polytechnic Institute deans and faculty are collaborating to identify new degree pathway partnerships as well and SUNY Oswego, OCC's top transfer institution, is analyzing data to identify areas of opportunity. Syracuse University is seeking to centralize the transfer decision making, also collaborating on guided pathways approach.

*Resolution to Endorse a Feasibility Study for a New Academic Program: Sustainability

On motion by Trustee DeSiato, and seconded by Trustee Sindoni, the resolution to endorse a feasibility study for a new academic program: Sustainability, was unanimously recommended.

Title III Update

Trustee Alicea introduced Professor JT Ryan, Professor, Business Administration; Wendy Tarby, Associate Vice President, Institutional Planning and Research; and Scott Titus, Director, Marketing and New Media, to provide an update on Title III. Ms. Tarby introduced the presentation for today as an overview of the Schools project. Professor Ryan provided an overview of the recent orientation and presentations that the team members have been involved in. Ms. Tarby reviewed the program learning outcomes that include the ability for the teams to learn from subject matter experts and then flipping the model to see what the SME can learn

from the teams. Mr. Titus then reviewed the new marketing materials associated with the Schools.

There being no further business, Trustee Alicea adjourned the Education Committee meeting at 8:47 a.m.

Prepared by:

Julie Hart
Secretary, Board of Trustees

Submitted by:

Jaime Alicea
Chair, Education Committee