



Thursday, August 22, 2024 at 3:00PM

Zoom Link:

**President**— Carrie Pickerel-Brooks (PV)\*

**President-Elect**— Brandon Gillette (BR)\*

**Vice President**—Jim Moes (MW)\*

**Past President**— David Gann (LV)\*

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	Victor Meledge-Ade '26	Rhea Chuber '27*	Aaron Gibbs '25	Dondi Walker '27*	
	Jason Thornley '26*	Crystal Moore '27	Lisa Koch '25*		

\* Senator present

### CAO Vist and Report

Tom Meyer joined us and presented on the following topic:

- 5% increase in overall enrollment collegewide
- Phishing email issue
- HLC Criterion Changes and effects on committees and calendar (Visit Oct '25)
- AI Syllabus statement
- 5 Key Initiatives
  - Increase retention and successes
  - Honors program – districtwide, Tammy was heading but new person in the role
  - Program Vitality – At step 1 which is non-threatening, curriculum consolidation
  - Textbook costs -
  - AI integration and issues
- He also fielded questions on:
  - Lack of evening resources for students
  - Bookstore RFP committee
  - Inclusive textbook programs

## **Senate Meeting Began at 3:00p.m.**

### **Approval of Minutes from 04/18/2024**

Motion to approve minutes. Motion seconded. Motion carried.

### **From meeting with CAO: - will occur 9/13**

### **Senate Sub-Committee Reports**

All archival reports have been moved to SharePoint and future reports will be submitted to SharePoint:  
<https://mcckc.sharepoint.com/sites/FacultyGroups/>

#### **Academic Affairs – Melissa Eaton, LV**

- Committee will meet Friday afternoon
- Looking at Faculty Credentials – use HLC's standards or MCC's higher standards?
- AI Syllabus Statements, particularly #3 could be misleading to students
- May want to review, narrow, and propose more appropriate examples

#### **Career and Technical Education – Todd Geringer, PV**

- Meets 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday
- Will recruit CTE DICC members from LV, BR, MW

#### **Curriculum (and DICC) – Jennifer Copeland, PV**

- Meets first Thursday
- DICC reps needed (meets monthly, Tuesdays, Zoom) – Gen Ed: BR and PV; CTE see above, Librarian?

#### **Division Chairs Council – David Gann, LV**

- Meets Tuesday

#### **Elections – Jim Moes, MW (Survey Monkey Manager: Erin Niederberger, MW)**

- Jim Moes elected as FA President MW

#### **Instructional Technology (and ITDLC) – Victor Meledge-Ade, LV and Michael Korklan, PV**

- MCC's loaner laptop program has been very popular, Students may borrow laptops for a semester duration, on a first-come, first-serve basis at any campus library
- The district is purchasing 200 new laptops for the loaner laptop program
  - Questions about whether faculty laptops (if replaced but still good) are used?

#### **Policies and Procedures (and CPRC) – Jason Thornley, LV**

- Meets 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday
- ON Dennis Jirkovsky will join

#### **Professional Development – Dachia Busch, PV, and Nicole Fuller, PV**

- Dachia Busch and Nicole Fuller will Chair, Charissa Motley will advise
- There is money – make requests
- 5 requests in review process now

**Salary – David Gann, LV**

- Met last May
- Negotiations met last week
  - Questions over insurance

**Other Reports****Collective Faculty Voices – Carrie Pickerel-Brooks, PV**

- The administrative team (Drs Beatty, Meyer and Ms Gochis and Ms Martin) agreed to mediation at the end of Spring '24. Over Summer '24 mediators were interviewed and one was selected. That mediator, upon receiving MCC contract, declined to enter into arrangement, stating that they could not be neutral – they did, however, provide referrals. The referrals are being followed up on.

**MCC-NEA — Todd Geringer, PV**

- 2 members attended statewide conference in July.
- Needs Full Faculty List
- Concerned about email distribution lists

**Commencement Committee – Melissa Eaton, LV**

- 2 ceremonies again – 1 pm and 6 pm – Faculty to be at 1 or both
- Same venue
- Requests for more faculty membership on committee

**Cultural Champions District Group – Dachia Busch, PV**

- Concerns about this group large enough to cause decrease in faculty members

**Diversity Equity and Inclusion – Dachia Busch, PV**

- Gabby Flores left MCC
- Steven Norton

**Learning and Development Council – Dachia Busch, PV****Placement Committee – Melissa Renfrow, MW**

- HiSET Test is still under review

**Faculty Needs Group – Melissa Eaton, LV, Dondi Walker PV**

- Relates to class fill rates
- Starting to see some significant impact on committee work – low faculty
- Concern about course fill rates
  - 80% goal announced; 85% goal published
  - Inconsistent room sized across campuses still causing misrepresentation
- Earlier work this year to address need for earlier hiring

**Sabbatical Committee – Jennifer Johnson, ON**

- Daniel Wright and Ashley Cerentano are both taking Spring 25 sabbaticals
- Sabbatical proposals/applications for next year will be solicited before the end of the year

- Question about whether chairs are ever considered for sabbatical and how that would work?

## **New Business / Old Business**

- AAUP Survey.
  - Has been completed every 2 years for last 10 years, missed last year. Good indicator of change in perspective
  - Need faculty group to review currently used survey
    - Senate Exec and Todd Geringer
  - Conversation on interplay between this needed survey and outcome of CFV mediation
- HR and Paycor
  - New CHRO Fred Wise
  - Distribution lists for emails – create your own
  - Faculty list – having difficulty getting it
- Student Success Advisors Explanation – Chris Shobe will visit with Senate in September
- Bookstore Issues
  - No hard copy books for some classes
  - Printing limits

## **Campus Reports**

### **Blue River — Jennifer Rogers**

- Tammie May is our new VP
- We have 4 new faculty: Bill Morgan (math & Division Chair), Wes Hatfield (Business), Tom Black (English), Ariel Donovan (chemistry).

### **Longview — Melissa Eaton**

- LV's new President Crider started this summer. We also had a groundbreaking in July for the new Automotive Institute. We are holding community campus forums for VP candidates on August 21 and 22 for four candidates. This Fall, Longview selected *Good Talk* by Mira Jacob for our Common Read. Events begin in September.
- We are continuing our informal and voluntary faculty mentorship program this year.
- New ECON faculty: Dr. Sara Kamali Anaraki

### **Maple Woods — Jim Moes**

- Jim Moes was elected as FA President
- ECA is expanding beyond expectations
- The construction for the new Agricultural Center is underway and impacts traffic/parking

### **Online — Jennifer Johnson**

- New VP started this month, Dr. Bruce Sowers
- Faculty is officially at 10.5
  - Transfer ACCT – Dennis Jirkovsky
  - New PSYC – Brian Cronk
  - New BUSN – Wes Hatfield (split with BR)

### **Penn Valley — Dachia Busch**

- New president, Dr. Tammy Robinson
- ATSI has again been selected as KC's favorite Tech Institution

Meeting concluded 4:15 p.m.