

**College Council Agenda**  
**Friday, December 8, 2017**  
**JMB 140**

**Council Member Attendees:** Jeffery Campbell, Lindsey Hoogkamer-Smith, Angel Delker, Marianna Asaturova, Erin Barzen, Virgel Paule, Anton Amaratunge, Sol Mendez, Ruben Murcia, Yilin Sun

*(Quorum for today's meeting)*

**Guest Speakers:**

**Guest Attendees:** Robin Armstrong, Sancha Elevado

**Secretary:** Lily Allen

**Begin:** 9:04am

**End:** 10:25am

**1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

**2. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- November 17, 2017 (Approved!)
  - Changing team to machine on previous minutes.

**3. REGULAR BUSINESS**

- Assign roles for open subcommittee positions
  - Anton will be a part of the Election Subcommittee
  - Lindsey Archival, Seth Election, Erin Budget, Marianna Budget, Ruben Election, Anton Election, Angel and Tam on Budget,

**ACTION ITEM:** Lindsey to send out the Subcommittee information to Sol so she can decide what one she would like to participate.

- College Council website updated with new roster

**4. NEW BUSINESS**

- Jessica Horst is leaving
  - We will have an open classified position.
- Virgel has accepted a job at the University of Washington.
  - We will need to fill the Vice Chair position
  - This leaves an open exempt position
- 9:15 AM: Nametags on campus (Sol)
  - Had an issue with a staff member in the Women's Center, who just walked in and didn't identify themselves. If student workers are just there, they don't know as many staff around campus and could create an uncomfortable situation.

#### 4. NEW BUSINESS (continued)

- 9:15 AM: Nametags on campus (continued)
  - It would be helpful for everyone to wear nametags around campus. Ask to identify themselves or introduce themselves when they come into the center.
  - The person felt discriminated against because of the color of their skin and gender.
  - Sol wasn't trying to make the person feel uncomfortable about it, but many people don't know who is who on campus.
  - It was a way of showing how professional they are and when we are out and about they know who
  - Institutionalize some form of expectation on wearing name tags around campus.
  - Lindsey spoke with Pete about it
    - He suggested that we should talk with Laura Hopkins to get more information about name tags on campus
    - Laura will speak with the Deans about it.
  - It seems like this is more of a campus culture thing, people should be introducing themselves when they walk into a new space.
  - You can avoid confrontational communication by having your nametag present.
  - Business Cards and Name Tags were given to Ruben as he arrived on campus. Anton didn't receive one until a few years after his hire.
  - An online option for people to put a face to the name. Have a website with the information?
  - In Disability Support Services they get faculty members that will come in who they do not know.
  - Regardless of having the name tag, it is important to introduce yourself.
  - First would be the tag second would be the introduction.
- 9:30-10 AM: Jeffrey/Smoking on campus
  - Jeffery has been working with Souza about smoking in campus
  - USA has talked about this issue at every meeting
  - Jeffery spoke to Monica Lundberg and Dean Johnson about this issue
  - Stephanie Dikes from North Seattle College, President at Central about this issue
  - This discussion has been going on for about 10-12 years
  - I got information from King County that has a formal complaint from 2015 about the smoking shelter by Rainier Hall and how close it was to the Child Care Center.
  - Students have been really pushing this issues, but there need to be more support from everyone on campus.
  - USA has full support, 100% on getting this backed.
  - Two town halls not surveys
  - There needs to be a task force on this campus to eliminate smoking on campus. Pete has the ability to do this.
  - The task force would have the ability to produce a pre and post survey about smoking on campus.
  - The goal is to have a smoke free campus by January of 2019. USA is only here for 3 quarters so they can only do so much within that time frame.

#### 4. NEW BUSINESS (continued)

- It took other campuses years to be able to get this into place, but it seems like South is behind in this.
- The effects of the community that come onto our campus
- Have a smoking forum about this issue. Offering an opportunity to make their voices heard. We need to get everyone the opportunity to do this.

Question: Did the data show anything about the effect for the smoking demographic information

- The survey didn't have the information about that. When Jeffery spoke to Stephanie at North Seattle College, International Males, Domestic Males Females, and the least likely to smoke would be female International. No decline in enrollment because of no smoking on campus.

Questions: Does USA have international representation?

- Yes we have 4 students

Additional Discussion:

- Ruben gives his 100% support to this measure. Because North and Central have implemented this, so we can learn from that experience. Lung cancer and Mouth cancer are the leading cancers in this country. What a wonderful piece of education they can get from this institution. Programs on campus where Ruben worked previously to assist those to stop smoking. Ask foundation to write up a grant to support the smoke free initiative.
- For Healthcare week coming up we would like to have information on this so people can become well informed. We would like to have a survey about this, because the historical data is from 2015 and we need to have something more current.
- We have talked to King County Department of Health and they have resources available.
- Free non-smoking resources to all.
- Gay City on Capitol Hill could be a great resource to come to campus.

ACTION ITEM: Sol to talk to Gay City about having a rep come to campus who has worked with the non-smoking initiative.

Additional Discussion:

- The approach is something that has to be looked at. We need to talk about everyone's health. We are coming from a loving standpoint. We want you to be successful.
- I know this will make people upset, we are just not going to fan the flames and take a better approach to implement this change.
- Build a timeline, Build a taskforce.
- We can get more information first. Erin would like to talk with her constituents first before make a decision. Her decision would be on an individual stance.
- If you make a new survey they could send it out, get approval from Greg Dempsey. We need to also come up with requirements for passing a stance on non-smoking on campus.

#### 4. NEW BUSINESS (continued)

- What percentage do we need to pass this? Would 51% be enough or would we need more than that?
- What does the College Council support look like? We want to be supportive, but we don't know what kind of support are you looking for? We got check with this person and that person.
- We are going through guided pathways now, it was not a supported decision in the beginning. Even though it may be a good idea, but people in general are resisted to change.
- We also need to look at the other colleges. There is definitely a culture here on campus that has a hard time with change. It is important to talk about second hand smoke as well.
- USA will need to create the survey and then going from that point to get the support from the Council.

Jeffery: We are asking for 100% support from college Council today, to move forward with this decision and the backing to speak with Pete about this issue. Stephanie will be sending Jeffery all of the information from North.

(Tabled this conversation)

- 10 AM: Erin's update on budget process
- Erin met with Rob'n yesterday
  - In January, Rob'n is going to be holding open meetings about budget, how to understand your budget
  - She will then be visiting individual departments to talk about budget
  - Late February, early March we would have the College Council sponsored budget meeting. We will do something similar, but scratch the things that don't make sense.
  - The information on how budgets works and how can it be spend and how it is allocated.
  - Focus on transparent information sharing, once we have that understanding where do we have the opportunity to influence decisions.
  - April Follow-up meeting, at that point there is more information from the district and state allocation.
  - The timeline is shifting and the content and structure of the meetings are changing.
  - Rob'n was really excited about it, it is important to continue finding ways to meaningfully engage people.

Yilin: are there any other ways to reduce the cuts on the instructional side? Laura Hopkins should come to another meeting and ask about the issues. We need to make sure that we are not cutting classes.

### **ACTION ITEMS (from last meeting)**

- Sustainability Committee representative – ask to join a winter meeting
  - Anyone still interested in this? YES!
- Virgel to check-in with James regarding campus road safety
  - Signage is not a problem
  - Maybe add more speed bumps.
  - Another issue is the north parking lot where people go diagonally across the parking lot and there was almost an accident.
  - To be sure to add communication about the blocks, education piece is important.
- Lindsey to check in with Pete for food truck update (Winter Quarter)
  - Feedback has been positive so far
  - Well received by people
  - Food trucks that are attending have had great feedback as well
  - Pete suggested to have Brian Scheester to give us updates about the culinary department.
  - Georgetown would like to have food trucks too.
  - Cost is still an issue, but we will continue to give feedback to food truck.

### **ACTION ITEMS (for next meeting):**

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### **NEXT MEETING:**

Friday, January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
9am-10:30am  
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