



Truckee Meadows Community College

Faculty Senate Part-Time Faculty Committee

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# MEETING MINUTES APR. 5, 2019

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**Meeting called to order:** 10:07 a.m.

**In attendance:** Lenaya Andersen, Elena Atanasiu, Gwendolyn Clancy, Ed Corbett, Patricia Cullinan, Nick Dimeo Nancy Faires, Hugh Fraser, Marynia Giren-Navarro (Chair), Heather Haddox, Jonathan Kemp, Jonathan Lam, Robert Lively, Bill Newhall, Jon Reddick-Lau, John Reid, Brandy Scarnati, Rossita Todorova, Amanda Williams, Pat Miller, Sarah Jacobson.

**Absent:** Susan Bluhm, Israel Bgronini, Cathy Brewster, Cheryl Camardo, Kurt Ehlers, Holly Gallup, Donna Kamen, Edwin Lyngar, Elizabeth Morgan, Patti Sanford, Neil Siegel, Andre Walton.

**Guests:** Sarah Jacobson, Pat Miller

## Approval of March 8, 2019 minutes

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The March 8, 2019 minutes were approved unanimously.

## Issues to Discuss

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**Review of the PT Senator Application Form for AY 19-20:** Discussion of draft form length and content. Jon has volunteered to revising and editing the form to provide more clarity and be more succinct. The committee was asked to send suggestions to Jon. Title of form changed to "nomination form AY 19/20 and will be shared with the committee again. The form will be included in the August newsletter and on the PTFC Facebook page.

**PTF Senators Update-Andre Walton & Edwin Lyngar:** Chair Marynia Giren-Navarro provided a report for the senators who were out sick. Marynia reported on reduced gym membership fees for part-time faculty and suggested the committee table this issue to revisit in Fall 2019 as the new fitness center nears completion.

**Grant in Aid for part-time faculty dependents:** Heather Haddox reported on meeting with Regent Jason Geddes. Regent Geddes said there is no precedent or interest in grant-in-aid funding for part-time faculty dependents from Legislature at this time. It was noted there are other funding sources that could be used. The committee discussed the possible costs of dependent grant-in-aid issue and approach to the issue moving forward and the consensus was the program would not be expensive at it seems and would contributes to student success. Moving forward, Edwin Lyngar and Heather Haddox will reach out to HR. Sarah Jacobson will gather cost information. Marynia and Brandy Scarnati suggested to add to Workday a grant-in-aid section to describe benefits and compensation.

**Part-Time Faculty of the Month-Marynia Giren-Navarro:** The new process and online form is working exceptionally well and we have nominations set all the way through May! On Tuesday at 11 a.m. an award is being given in RDMT 311. Regent Amy Carvalho will be present.

**Planning Council-Gwen Clancy:** Strategic planning was discussed at the latest meeting.

**Part-Time Faculty Social-Brandy Scarnati & Sarah Jacobsen:** Twenty-five people have RSVP'd. Brandy asked the committee spread the word. The social will be on May 15 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Alcohol was approved to serve. It was suggested to have games and activities for everyone to enjoy.

**Facebook Page-Marynia Giren-Navarro:** A revised page has been sent to the marketing office and is awaiting their response.

**Part-Time Survey-Longevity increase:** Marynia will meet with Brandy Scarnati to discuss. There has been no new developments to report.

**Professional Development-Brandy Scarnati:** Proposals for Fall training workshops are due April 15. Brandy also reported space use feedback was shared with the VPAA. The committee discussed general concerns regarding space available for part-time faculty.

**Meeting adjourned:** 10:54 a.m.