

Taft College Academic Senate Council **DRAFT** Minutes

Wednesday, February 19, 2025

Cafeteria Conference Room

12:10 pm - 1:00 pm

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Duron at 12:13pm

Attendees

| Role | Preferred Name | X if in Attendance |
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| 1. AS President (F2023-Sp2025) | Candace Duron | X |
| 2. Vice President (F2022- Sp2024; F24-Sp26) | Vicki Jacobi | |
| 3. Secretary (F2023-Sp2025) | Michelle Oja | X |
| 4. Past President | Geoffrey Dyer | X |
| 5. Allied Health & Applied Technology division representative | Kanoe Bandy | X |
| 6. Business, Arts, & Humanities division representative | Lori Travis | X |
| 7. English & Language Arts division representative | Chris Chung-Wee | |
| 8. Learning Support division representative | Darcy Bogle | X |
| 9. Math & Science division representative | Nate Cahoon | X |
| 10. Social & Behavioral Sciences division representative | Ken Smith | X |
| 11. Career & Technical Education representative | Amar Abbott | |
| 12. Adjunct Faculty representative | Marni Cahoon | |
| Guests | Vice President of IT & IR Li | X |

Public Comment

X. Li shared that the final draft of the Educational Master Plan is not posted on the MyTC portal, under Employee Resources.

Action Items

Approval of the Minutes

January 13, 2025 meeting: With no corrections, the Minutes were approved by consensu.

New Business

- ASCCC Fall 2024 Resolution 105.02 Encouraging Funding for Printing Lab Manuals to Achieve Zero Textbook Cost (ZTC) Status
 - The OER Coordinator (M. Oja), has her student worker working on this. C. Duron suggested that the OER Coordinator get a list of lab classes from the Office of Instruction. D. Bogle asks that this be brought back when we have more information.
- Faculty Emeritus for Lourdes Gonzalez
 - G. Dyer motioned to move the nomination to Senate of the Whole, which was second by K. Bandy. The motion passed.

- C. Duron asked that the nomination be read at the Senate of the Whole meeting.

Discussion

- Auto enrollment of students on the waitlist: C. Duron introduced this topic as coming from a Division Chairs meeting.
 - There was a lot of support for this from the Council members, although C. Duron noted that not all faculty chairs were supportive of this idea.
 - D. Bogle noted that students can only be on one section's waitlist at a time now. This change was not shared with counselors or teaching faculty.
 - D. Bogle also shared that many faculty are unclear on the new process for Add Codes (there's no code), suggesting that a training might be useful.
 - C. Duron offered to invite the registrar to the Senate of the Whole meeting.

Informational Items

- ASCCC Area A meeting Fri, Mar 21 2025, 9am: C. Duron shared this opportunity, saying that it will be offered virtually.
- [ASCCC Spring Plenary](#): April 24 · April 26 · at the Hyatt Regency Irvine & Zoom: C. Duron will be attending on Zoom. The voting delegate will be M. Beasley, who will attend in-person.
- [A²MEND 18th Annual African American Male Summit](#), taking place March 5-7, 2025, at the Hyatt Regency LAX Hotel. This event offers a powerful opportunity for professional development and engagement with critical discussions on supporting African American male students.
 - C. Duron introduced this opportunity, and suggested that there may be funds to attend for anyone who is interested.

Senator Comments

C. Duron shared that she was asked to remind everyone that non-Senators can only talk during Public Commentary. Secretary Oja clarified that invited guests can share during their agendaized time and any guest may answer questions. G. Dyer clarified that it is the Academic Senate President's purview to allow answers or commentary.

Adjournment

With a motion by D. Bogle and a second by K. Bandy, the motion passed with one opposition (G. Dyer).