Members present: D’Andre Anderson, Lynita Cooksey, Kathy Hicks, Julie Isaacson, Andy Mooneyhan, Talvickeo Banks, David Cox, Susan Hanrahan, Debbie Ingram, Lonnie Williams for Craig Johnson, Mike McDaniel, Jeff Pittman
Members absent: Phillip Ladd, Dalia Tejada, Craig Johnson, Angela Daniels
Executive Council guests present: Tim Hudson, Len Frey, Jason Penry

Meeting called to order by Andy Mooneyhan

Chair’s announcements – Andy Mooneyhan summarized his visit to the Chancellor’s home. He reported optimism for collaboration between the Chancellor and SGOC, and described the Board of Trustees’ high regard for SGOC.

Vice Chair’s announcements – academic Governance committee appointments have been forwarded to the Chancellor’s Office.

Old Business

- SP13-001 A-State Class Attendance Policy
  - Status as of 09/23/13 = out for final up/down vote
  - Votes that have come in: Deans Council = NO; Chairs Council = NO
- SP13-002 A-State Teaching Overload Policy
  - Status as of 09/23/13 = final draft being prepared by responsible committee (Faculty Handbook Committee)
  - Mike McDaniel and John Pratte collaborated on minor edits. The final draft will be sent out for final up/down vote soon.
- SP13-006 Institutional Training Supervision and Performance
  - Status as of 09/23/13 = returned to Faculty Senate for proper proposal format
  - It will come out as a brand new proposal with a FA13 code.
- FA13-001 Academic Advising Statement for Faculty Handbook
  - Status as of 09/23/13 = out for constituency group review
  - First vote due to responsible committee (Faculty Handbook Committee) by 09/24/13
- Annual Review of Shared Governance and Campus Survey – update provided by Julie Isaacson
  - Julie is working with Henry Torres to cull duplicates, etc.
  - HLC will be here on October 28. Encourage everyone to complete the surveys.

New Business

- FA13-002 University Diversity and Affirmative Action Committee Representation
  - Purpose: add two external representatives to the University Diversity and Affirmative Action Committee, appointed by the Chief Diversity Officer. Submitted by Faye Cocchiara, Interim Chief Diversity Officer
  - Shared Governance Issue? YES
  - Responsible Committee? University Diversity and Affirmative Action Committee
  - Review Type? Full, non-expedited
  - Handbook issue? YES
  - Constituency group review? Faculty Senate = declined; Staff Senate = declined; Deans Council = declined; Chairs Council = declined; SGA = declined.
All constituency groups declined review so the responsible committee (University Diversity and Affirmative Action Committee) will review, vote, and forward to Mike McDaniel, Chair of the Faculty Handbook Committee.

- FA13-003 Diversity Excellence Awards
  - Purpose: (a) change position title from “Assistant to the Chancellor for Diversity” to “Chief Diversity Officer;” (b) shift the responsibility for selecting the Diversity Excellence Awards from the Chief Diversity Officer to the Faculty Achievement Awards Committee
  - Shared Governance Issue? NO
  - Discussion/Comments: The Diversity Excellence Award can go to anyone on campus, not just faculty. SGOC will suggest to Faye Cocchiara that she determines a well-rounded committee for selecting the Diversity Excellence Awards instead of using the Faculty Achievement Awards Committee.

- Other: Andy Mooneyhan has drafted a proposal supporting the renaming of Stadium Blvd. to Red Wolf Blvd. SGA has drafted a resolution that they support the change as well.
  - Shared Governance Issue? NO

- Discussion points with Executive Council guests:
  - Some topics that should have or could have been entered into shared governance have not been. (Example: new branding) How should this be decided in the future?
  - How does SGOC become a committee that helps decide what things fall in the purview of shared governance?
    - Chair of SGOC now attends meetings of the Executive Council.
    - Board of Trustees has shown tremendous support of SGOC.
  - How do Executive Committee members [EC] describe what issues should be shared governance issues? How do SGOC members [SGOC] describe what issues should be shared governance issues?
    - Err on the side of inclusion. [EC]
    - Curriculum is purview of the faculty; not a shared governance issue. [EC]
    - Online MSE degrees -- an example of something that was very controversial that did not go through shared governance. Apologies were made after the fact. [SGOC]
    - We want to know about big things being discussed before we read them in the newspaper. [SGOC]
    - Valuing input from a broader constituency because the end product will be better. [SGOC]
    - If something has potential to change the face of the institution, that’s a shared governance issue. [SGOC]
    - Guns issue – shared governance made it possible for A-State to handle this better than any institution in the state. [EC]
    - SGOC has steered clear of topics that are mainly fiduciary. [SGOC]

- Next meeting: Monday, October 14, 2013 – two weeks before HLC
  - The results of the shared governance survey will be helpful.
  - There may be some committees that we just don’t need anymore.
  - There may be some committees whose charge needs to be updated (example: Education and Technology Committee to cover online delivery).

- Meeting adjourned at 4:28 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Debra Ingram.