## **College Council Minutes**

Organizational Meeting April 16, 2025, 3:00 PM

## **Present:**

Chair: Chad Miltenberger

David Johnson Erika Bockmann
Lori Peterson Mike Rostollan
Ricardo Chavez Rhonda Miller
Lisa Chamberlin Christy Doyle
Lauran Schaefer Chad H. Hickox
Natalie Wade Angela Evensen

- I. Welcome by Chad Miltenberger. Chad asked if everyone had reviewed the draft minutes from the College Council meeting of March 19, 2025, and if there were any changes needed. With no changes requested, a Motion was made by Erika Bockmann, Seconded by Rhonda Miller and approved by quorum to accept minutes as written.
- II. The focus of the today's meeting is to finalize the Innovation Fund documents so it may be forwarded to ELT for consideration. Discussion followed with regards to feedback received from constituents and edits were made by David as the Council reviewed the suggestions, ideas, and comments.

A motion was made by Erika Bockmann to move the Innovation Fund documents forward to ELT for their review and consideration, Seconded by Rhonda Miller and approved by quorum.

## III. Report Out:

Chad M. reported that Christy, Cynthia, Dante and he met with the faculty of Arts and Sciences and Access and Opportunity to share with them that the College is moving forward with the combination of the 2-Deans into the one division, they also wanted to try and put their mind at ease about the structure remaining intact. The new combined Arts and Sciences, Access and Opportunity have yet to be named and will include 38 faculty and roughly 900 FTE's so, slightly larger than workforce.

Lori said Budget Council is still reviewing budget lines and that they had 600 budget lines to go through and still have about 40 to review but the process is going well.

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## V. Good of the Order:

Chad H. spoke about his visits to Olympia and said that they are navigating a complex and challenging budget process, with a lot of uncertainty coming from the state level. ELT will have some difficult decisions ahead that will affect the College but he is trying to communicate frequently and show that employee well-being is a top priority, even amid tightening constraints.

Lisa indicated that the text messaging survey is done tomorrow, 4/17/25 and they have received 150 responses to date. People really have miss misinformation and misbelief about what they can and cannot do, there is a lot of training that will be needed and the goal is now to take this analysis back to the committee, and then they will draft a policy and procedure first, with recommendations about what we can do.

The PACE Survey will be done in the fall, as opposed to the spring as the PACE administrators can't do it until fall. There is group here at the College that are meeting and going to pick 20 additional questions to be added to the PACE survey . The goal is to launch the survey at fall conference and the College will have the survey results delivered to them by the end of December early January.

Next meeting is May 7, 2025, at 3:00 PM

Meeting Adjourned at 4:25 PM