**Taft College Faculty Association**

**Minutes for February 22, 2023**

**Welcome & Introductions**

President Payne welcomed faculty.

**Approval of Minutes**

A motion to approve the minutes for January was made by S. Lytle with a 2nd from A. Bledsoe. The motion carried.

**Treasurer’s Report**

D. Mitchell reported an overall balance of $20,571 before lunch. D. Mitchell updated the faculty on D. Jones decision to offer a $500 scholarship on her behalf instead of the customary rocking chair retirement gift.

**Taft College Faculty Collective Bargaining Committee (TCFCBC) Update**:

Topics under review by bargaining team.

1. Bereavement Leave- clarification of language given prolonged time needed for services.
2. OER/ZTC discussion including sharing of information regarding the need and possible responsibilities.
3. President Payne updated faculty that a subcommittee was formed which consist of A. Bledsoe, D. Mitchell, and L. Minor. The first scheduled is set for 2/23/23.
4. Coastal DE included discussion with T. Hampton regarding apportionment who shared that this area was new to him and he was conducting research to ensure that the district only participated if there was a benefit to the campus. Currently FTE’s are not collected from TUHS, but these classes serve as a bridge for future enrollment.

**Other**

President Payne alerted the faculty that it was time to form the yearly committee for FA Scholarships. As in the past, students selected could be awarded up to $500 for a declared major, expressed career interest in teaching, or for faculty relative status. Selection committee volunteers include J. Rangel-Escobedo (lead), D. Bogle, R. Polski, N. Cahoon and new volunteer L. Travis. A motion by J. Reynolds with a 2nd from M. Mayfield to award $6000 + $500 on behalf of D. Jones. The motion carried.

President Payne requested feedback regarding Summer/Fall 2023 scheduling. Faculty reported that most modalities were accommodated to support student enrollment projections and needs. Faculty discussed the distinction between multiple online modalities. The Social Science division shared information regarding 8 week course pilots that allowed for entire series of courses to be completed within the same term.

President Payne update the faculty on the posted position of CTE Dean.

President Payne shared with faculty that the SLO Coordinator position will be posted. If any faculty has any questions about the workload associated with the position please feel free to reach out to Ruby or Tina with questions.

President Payne shared with faculty that the Professional Development committee was finalizing the May In-Service options to include DE training by J. Farmer regarding accessibility, universal design and improving online course development. President Payne also shared that outside trainings were always an option and could be claimed using the forms for flex.

Abbott announced the Academic Senate elections and encouraged all faculty to attend and participate in the voting.

**Meeting adjourned at 12:51 pm.**

Next Meeting: **Wednesday, March 22, 2023, 12:10pm, Location: Cougar Room** (Every 4th Wednesday)