Gaston College  
Faculty Senate Meeting  
Lincoln Campus-Cochrane Building, 3:30 PM  
November 14, 2012

I. Call to Order  
President Susan Whittemore called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

II. Approval of Minutes- Minutes from October meeting not available. October and November minutes will be available to be approved at the January meeting.

III. Members Present:  
- Mike Keller  
- Angie Rudd, Information Technology (proxy Thad Glankler)  
- Sherry Sherrill, Arts and Sciences  
- Diane Hagens, Health Education, Secretary  
- Mark Carver, Arts and Sciences  
- Heather Bruch, Arts and Sciences  
- Calvin Shaw, Criminal Justice, President-Elect  
- Penny Brower, Office Administration (proxy Mark Carver)  
- Stephanie Osborne, Writing Center/Arts and Sciences  
- Eric Miller, Arts and Sciences (proxy Mark Carver)  
- Sharlene Smith, Information Technology (proxy Thad Glankler)  
- Phonzie Childers, Health Education  
- Thad Glankler, Engineering, Treasurer

Members not present:  
- Tom Whitaker, Engineering and Industrial Technologies  
- Kim Pennington, Health Education  
- Don Ammons, Vice President, Academic Affairs  

Guest: Melanie Skinner

IV. Report of the Treasurer- has a receipt for batteries for the recorder to go to Amy Dellingier. Requisition to business office to be reimbursed from account.

V. Report of the President-Elect- Survey Monkey has not been purchased yet. Calvin also reported that Faculty and Staff Senate could use the team building event in the spring

VI. Old Business-  
50th Anniversary Celebration- no suggestions offered. No theme has been identified. Heather Woodson may be interested in putting together. Dr. Skinner would like Faculty and Staff Senators to collaborate on working on this event. Susan clarified that there are (2) 50th Anniversary celebrations going on: NC Community College system will celebrate in Spring 2013; Gaston College will celebrate their anniversary in 2014. A suggestion was made to get old photos, get speakers from the first graduating class and have broadcasting interview them, advertise in Gaston Gazette to bring people in,
the art club sponsoring community art project, music from 1964, spirit week, each day dress in different decade, create a storyboard from “In the year....”, logo change

IV. Committee Reports - Angie Rudd sent report about expenditures of Faculty Senate money. It cannot be spent on refreshments, but can be spent on speakers. Collaborative event with Staff Senate is being looked at.

V. New Business –
   a. Instructor flexibility for early college students- Dr Ammons requests that faculty teaching these students, be aware that in inclement weather, Gaston County schools may close, before Gaston College. Bus service will not run; thus students should not be counted absent due to transportation issue. An alternate internet assignment should be given.
   b. Mike Keller attended the presentation by director of counseling, Jennifer Nichols, on Student Conduct Awareness Team (SCAT). He expressed concern about lack of faculty on the team, and requests 2 faculty member from different divisions rotating on the team. Discussion ensued about student behaviors and issues, and several senators agreed that faculty presence on this team is essential. Mike made a motion that Susan meet with the chair to amend the rules to permit 2 faculty members on the team. Mark seconded the motion. Susan offered that Dr Ammons was in favor of 2 faculty members being present and most beneficial would be someone from Psychology and Human Services. Susan will look into this. Motion passed.

VI. Report of the President of the Faculty Senate
   Faculty workload responses were distributed. Work week will be determined by a point value. Details were discussed. Susan will take any further questions to the team on November 20th.

VI. Announcements
   The next Board of Trustees meeting: Monday March 18, 2013 @ 4:00pm in the Myers Center Board Room. Calvin to attend
   The next Faculty Senate meeting: Wednesday, January 16, 2012 at 3:30 on Dallas Campus, location TBD

VII. Adjournment
   The meeting was adjourned at 5:05pm