NTC Faculty Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, April 29, 2020

In Attendance Voting:

In Attendance Nonvoting:
Amjad Ayoubi, Suri Duitch, Kelly Grant, Michael Hogg, Celeste Lay, Ana Lopez, Casey Love, Sarah Montes, Colette Raphel, Daniel Senesky, Lee Skinner, Charlotte Vail

3:30: Dean Skinner calls meeting to order
3:30: McKeown moves to approve minutes.
Minutes are approved.

3:32: Professor Judith Maxwell summarizes the motions submitted by the Curriculum Committee.

- Motion on allowing a peer revision system in Tier-2 writing courses.
- Motion on specifying that Race & Inclusion and Global Perspectives courses are 2-3 credits.
- Motion on changing guidelines for Race & Inclusion and Global Perspectives from 60% of content to majority of content.

It is suggested that a week may not have been enough time to review the Core Curriculum changes. A delay of discussion is recommended. Members of the faculty ask why the changes focus on percentages of content instead of learning outcomes. Judith Maxwell and a faculty member respond that the changes are an effort to add flexibility. Concerns are raised on if the proposed changes will weaken or redirect the intent of the Race & Inclusion requirement. It is suggested that the focus of the requirement should remain learning objectives/outcomes. Additionally, faculty are concerned that 2-credit classes could count toward the Race and Inclusion requirement.

4:05: Professor Lipman enters a motion to send the documents back to the committee for revisions and to allow more time for faculty feedback.

4:17: The motion passes.

4:22: Professor Noshir Pesika summarizes the motion submitted by the Committee on Academic Requirements.

- Motion to approve qualified high school students in NTC Summer School.

There is a brief discussion of the motion and it is clarified that high school students would require the approval of the instructor before being admitted into any course.

4:29: The motion passes.

4:30: Professor Chris Rodning summarizes the motion submitted by the Committee on Academic Integrity.

- Motion to approve revisions to the Code of Academic Conduct.
- NTC students accused of academic misconduct in a SOPA class will be adjudicated by NTC
- Reduction of Honor Board panelists from 5 to 3.
- Clearer differentiation between matters of academic standing and academic conduct.

Some members of the faculty are concerned that Honor Board hearings with non-unanimous decisions might be hindered by the reduction. Additionally, it was cautioned that NTC does not have to react to SoPA and their internal policies. Celeste Lay commented that this policy is about adjudicating SoPA students as fairly as possible. Suri Duitch added that many SoPA professors are very active in the Honor Board process.

4:55: The motion passes.

4:57: **Professor Susann Lusnia reports on the Committee for Study Abroad.**

No motions are brought forth.

4:58: **Dean Lee Skinner briefly reviews proposed changes to the NTC Constitution and requests faculty feedback.**

5:00: Meeting adjourned.