

Part-Time Faculty Council

Meeting Minutes

February 22, 2017

1. Call to order

President Yvonne Wichman called the meeting of the Part-Time Faculty Council to order at 3:35 PM.

Members Present

Mara Mandradjieff	Joanne Lee	Kathleen Brennan	Kelly Luscre
Bryce McGowan	David Gregory	Yvonne Wichman	Ruti Padan
Diana Honey	Becky Simmons	Beth Moulder	Ginger Sinton
Mary Migliaro	Emily Hein	Sara Crews	

Advisors and Guests

Sam Olens, KSU President
Ron Matson, Associate Vice President for Faculty
Gail Scott, Advisor
Mandy McGrew, Faculty Fellow for Part-Time Faculty Support/CETL
Rosalind King, Assistant Professor of Management
Todd Harper, Associate Professor of English
Christine Ghattas, Part-time Instructor of English

2. Special Guest

Special Invited Guest, President Olens, responded to questions previously submitted by part-time faculty. Some were similar in nature and he responded in general terms to the themes.

- Regarding any rumored reduction in part-time faculty, he stated he does not anticipate any reduction in force.
- He mentioned the issue of expressing political views noting that as personal individuals, we are certainly allowed to express our opinions. Issues arise if we are campaigning or making political statements as employees of KSU and especially if PTF are using their KSU email to do so. As a citizen, PTF are within their rights to make statements on their personal email and/or social media sites provided they do not do so as an employee of KSU.
- Beginning in the fall of 2017, part-time faculty will see their paychecks divided into five instead of four with the first being issued in August. This is provided the employee is on board in advance of the payroll period so the direct deposit can be set up.
- Regarding the Tuition Assistance Program (TAP), that is a matter for the Board of Regents but he recommended that a small focus group of PTFC members draft a letter about the issue and meet with him so he can move the issue forward on our behalf.

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes

The minutes from the January 25, 2017 meeting were approved without corrections by a unanimous vote. They will be archived and posted on the PTFC website.

4. Announcements

- A. **Election of Officers for 2017-2019 Term** – The deadline for nominations is March 8, 2017. Currently there are three nominees for President, one for Vice President, and none for Secretary. All candidates are required to submit their bios and those will be sent out to all PTFC representative in advance of the March meeting. At the March meeting, each candidate will give a five-minute presentation about their background, qualifications, and why they wish to serve as an officer. Following all presentations, the voting will take place by paper ballot.

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- B. **Meet and Greet with Provost Harmon** – This special event will be held on March 13 at 4:00 PM at California Dreaming on Chastain Road across I-75 from the campus. All PTFC representatives are welcome.
- C. **The next PTFC meeting will be held on March 22 at 3:30 PM** in Prillaman Room 2008. The election of officers will take place at that meeting.
- D. **Mandy McGrew** with CETL announced the following items of interest to PTF:
 - The Teaching Academy deadline has been extended for new PTF who have not yet attended this valuable resource. It will be held the Monday and Tuesday during spring break and carries a \$750 stipend for those successfully completing the two days.
 - The SPACE conference deadline for proposals has been extended until April 4. The conference will be held on June 10 at the Crowne Plaza Ravinia. The deadline to take advantage of free registration is May 1.
 - Complete details about these and many other resources can be found on their website at: cetl.kennesaw.edu.

5. Other Matters

None.

6. Adjourn

There being no other business, President Yvonne Wichman adjourned the meeting at 4:45 PM.

Mary Migliaro, Secretary