

MOHAWK VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

MVCC COLLEGE SENATE FACULTY CAUCUS

**Tuesday, April 21, 2015
2 pm--PH 300**

Present: Colleen Bolton, Louise Charbonneau, John Coleman, Shahida Dar, Alison Doughtie, Dayton Elseth, Alexander Haines-Stephan, Don Kelly, Ron Labuz, Christine Miller, Anna Radlowski, Justin Wilcox.

Senate Chair Don Kelly called the meeting to order. The attached agenda was previously provided to caucus members.

1. Election of Caucus Chair: Alison Doughtie nominated Christine Miller for caucus chair. Alexander Haines-Stephan seconded the nomination. There were no other nominations. Christine Miller was elected by unanimous vote.
2. Designation of caucus secretary: The caucus decided that the role of secretary would rotate among caucus members. When approved, minutes will be made available to the college community and posted on the Senate website.
3. Determination of meeting schedule, day and time: The caucus will meet on the fourth Tuesday of the month during the academic year, August-November, January-May.
Meeting dates for the Fall 2015 semester are August 25, September 22, October 27, and November 24.
4. Faculty Council of Community Colleges Resolutions: FCCC representative Ron Labuz discussed two resolutions passed at the FCCC spring plenary:
 - a. Emerging Trends in Higher Education and Campus Governance: this resolution recommends that every community college create a body charged with researching and addressing emerging education issues proactively. Caucus members agreed that the Senate Faculty Caucus is the appropriate body and will ask the Senate to affirm the FCCC resolution and designation of the caucus in this role at the Senate's May 5 meeting.
 - b. Faculty Purview over the Curriculum and Academic Standards: this resolution recommends that the governor, legislature and the SUNY Board of Trustees work through shared governance processes when considering changes to curricula, programs, and academic standards. The caucus will recommend Senate affirmation of this resolution.

Don Kelly
April 22, 2015