



NORTHERN MARIANAS COLLEGE

Faculty Senate

Meeting Minutes

October 1, 2009, 8:00 am

Room V-215

- I. Meeting was called to order at 8:15 am
 - A. Members Present: Larry Lee, Lyte Chapap, Barbara Merfalen, Frank Sobolewski, Joan Dubrall and Judy Torres

- II. Review/Adoption of Agenda
 - A. Motion to adopt by Frank Sobolewski.
 - B. Seconded by Barbara Merfalen.
 - C. Agenda was adopted.

- III. Review/Adoption of September 17, 2009 Meeting Minutes
 - A. Tabled until next meeting.

- IV. Summary of the September 25, 2009 Faculty Assembly
 - A. Joan Dubrall will provide the minutes of the Faculty Assembly
 - B. The creation of a separate Instructional Faculty Assembly and Senate, and a separate Non-instructional Faculty Assembly and Senate.
 1. A motion was adopted to support the creation of a separate Instructional Faculty Assembly and Senate, and a separate Non-instructional Faculty Assembly and Senate
 - i. The Faculty Senate will begin researching the proper procedure for accomplishing this task
 - C. Proposed New Faculty Contracts
 1. A motion was adopted to reject the two proposed faculty contracts
 2. A motion was adopted to seek qualified legal review of the proposed new contracts
 3. A motion was adopted to create an ad hoc committee to review the two proposed contracts and come up with recommendations for the Faculty Assembly

- V. Status of Faculty Representatives on PROAC
 - A. Larry Lee has emailed the three individuals who were nominated by the Faculty Senate and has yet to receive a response. The three nominees are Leo Pangelinan, Eric Johnson, and John Cox. The first two to accept the nomination will serve on PROAC along with the existing Faculty representatives.

- VI. Special Election of Senator representing the COMPASS Division
 - A. Barbara Merfalen, Judy Torres, and Joan Dubrall will serve on the Election Committee for this election.
 - B. It was suggested by the Faculty Senate members to review the special election procedures in the Faculty Assembly Constitution before conducting the election.
 - C. Larry Lee will work with the Human Resources Office in determining who is eligible to vote and to be nominated under the COMPASS Division.

- VII. Committee to Review Proposed New Faculty Contracts
 - A. A committee has not been organized as of today.

- VIII. Academic Quality Issues and APS Division Concerns
 - A. Dean Cynthia Deleon Guerrero was not present, once again.
 - B. This item will be tabled until the next Faculty Senate meeting.
 - C. Larry Lee will again invite Dean Cynthia Deleon Guerrero to attend the next meeting.

- IX. The next meeting will be on Thursday, October 9, 2009, 8:00 am, V-215.

- X. Meeting adjourned at 9:05 a.m.