Senate Meeting
November 13, 2008

Attendees: John Christie, Chair, Margaret Wolf, Emma Colon-Panciera, Joan Egbertson, Terri DeVito, Carl Antonucci, Joan Marchessault, Ray Hughes, Peter Wursthorn.

Guests: Marilyn Goodman, Paul Creech, Dean Lester Primus, Michael Bies, Asomygee Pamoja, Lorraine Lee (recorder)

Minutes of Oct. 23, 2008
Motion was made by Joan Egbertson to approve the minutes. Motion was seconded by Terri DeVito. Motion unanimously approved.

Announcements
Write up on Hartford Chorale. Senate endorsed. Lighting issue resolved. President needs to discuss w/Senate and give approval.

Expansion Committee Updates:
Dean Primus at the Senate’s request attended the meeting in order to answer various questions about the expansion space plans for the 10th and 11th floor. He informed the Senate that new elevators are pending due to prohibitive costs. It was recently realized that a committee had already been formed and layout plans were in place and discussions have taken place regarding new expansion space. Dean Primus reviewed with the committee the layout and dimensions of the new space. The Senate expressed the need to have faculty members, involved in the new furniture, writing board and seating selection. Dean Primus assured the Senate that any faculty member was welcome to join the committee. The Chair was asked to solicit interested faculty members and to forward those names to the Dean so they can be included when the committee meets in December.

Assessment/ATD Update
Since Kathy Herron was not able to attend, Joan Marchessault gave a report on what she knew of the meetings. Gen. Ed. assessed through standardized assessment tool and also assessed through program review process. A determination needs to be made whether the same tool should stay or we should change to a new tool. It was decided that the Academic Dean should let the College Community know who is on the committee.

College Affairs Committee
Marilyn Goodman stated the problems.

Planning & Review Committee
Dr. Stephen Fagbemi has resigned from the committee. An interim person is needed. John Christie will review the By-Laws and make a recommendation to the committee on the procedures to be followed to appoint an interim person.

Diversity Committee
Asomygee Pamoja informed the Senate that the committee had met four times during the year. The committee is currently looking at expanding the program presented at the last Professional Day. The Diversity Committee will meet Monday, November 17, 2008 at 2:30 p.m.

An issue has been brought to the committee’s attention by the President regarding students sending e-mails accusing professors of being racist against students. The Diversity Committee might be asked to address these accusations. The Senate hopes for clarification and information concerning this issue at a future meeting.

Faculty, Staff and Student & Development
No report available.

Curriculum & Academic Policy
Paul Creech deferred to Joan Marchessault and Michael Bies regarding their programs and course proposals

1. Joan Marchessault spoke on behalf of Business and Technology/Business and Finance.
   *BFN: 110 – Personal Finance*—This is a free elective and is transferable to Central CT State University as a free elective. It was felt that Math 095 should be a prerequisite to this course. Peter Wursthorn made a motion to accept. Motion was seconded and passed unanimously...

2. *Com 110 – Foundation of Communication*
   Michael Bies spoke on this course. Peter Wursthorn made motion to accept. Emma Colon-Panciera seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 3:45pm

Respectfully submitted
Lorraine Lee

PS: The Senate approved the following course on March 10, 2009 via electronic vote:
   *SCI 200 / CJS 225 Forensic Science*