

**Onondaga Community College Board of Trustees  
Education Committee Meeting  
Tuesday, March 26, 2019  
8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.  
W210  
Presiding: Trustee Allen Naples**

**Trustees:** Dr. Donna DeSiato; Allison Guzman-Martinez; Allen Naples; Tara Owens; John Sindoni; Mark Tryniski

**Staff:** Jenna Alexander; Dr. Agatha Awuah; Kim Blanchet; Michael Borsz; Russell Corbin; Dr. Casey Crabill; Dr. Fairlie Firari; Sarah Gaffney; Dr. Christina Granato; Julie Hart; Rebecca Hoda-Kearse; Linda Kelley; Devon Knapp; Amy Kremenek; Mark Manning; Roger Mirabito; Lisa Moore; Jarron Mortimer; Ryan Nellenback; Sarah Robinson; JT Ryan; Bridget Scholl; Wendy Tarby; Anastasia Urtz; Kelly Venturini; Dr. Julie White; Dr. Daria Willis

**Guests:** Elham Abraham; Nana Agyemang

**Call to Order**

At 8:00 a.m., Trustee Naples called the Education Committee meeting to order.

**Faculty Senate – Professor Ryan**

Trustee Naples introduced Professor JT Ryan to provide an update on the Faculty Senate. Professor Ryan commented that the Faculty Senate model is working well with the Title III grant project. The process of moving the work through the governance process works better with the Senate model. He provided his thanks to the people involved in writing the grant and the conversations surrounding curricular mapping and meta-majors. He explained that Business and Health programs are going first, with STEM and Criminal Justice to follow next year. The meta-majors conversation is moving the programs to communities of like-minded people. A proposal is being developed on this and will be complete by the end of the semester. Learning outcomes is a set of key things we want students to know by the end of their first year. LOAC convened a subcommittee of themselves, working with the Student Success Council. The First Year Learning Outcomes - FYLO - include skills, academic, community and living well. Once these are adopted we will determine implementation.

**Old Business**

**Student Supports Outside the Classroom**

Trustee Naples introduced Dr. Julie White to provide an update on student supports outside the classroom. Dr. White began with an overview of programs and services the college provides to support students, including the food pantry, bus passes, meal tickets, social services referrals, emergency funding through the Foundation, ALAP – Act Like a Paycheck advances, scholarships, health insurance referrals, tax preparation assistance, and emergency housing referrals. Dr. White then compared residence life data from fall 2018 and spring 2018. She explained that housing was restructured to 100% living learning communities. Each has a faculty or staff advisor. Roommate conflicts have reduced significantly as have code of conduct issues. She then introduced Jarron Mortimer, Assistant Director, Residence Life, and Sarah Robinson, Residence Hall Director, Building A, to discuss the African American and Latino Peer Support Program. Mr. Mortimer began with a review of the timeline of the program and commented that

it currently has 28 participants in Residence Hall C that live in 4 different pods. Social Justice Leaders mentor the students involved in the program with Mr. Mortimer and Ms. Robinson acting as advisors on the staff side. Participants were involved in Service Learning Day, have taken seminars on alcohol and other drugs, participated in Well-Dressed Wednesdays through the Career Closet, coordinated a Men of Color game night in the Lazer Lounge, and developed a financial literacy program - Stay Woke So You Don't Be Broke. Mr. Mortimer introduced student Nana Agyemang to discuss his experiences with the program. Dr. White then turned the discussion to the Athletics Living Learning Committee which is run by Devon Knapp. Ms. Knapp reviewed events they had had over the course of both semesters to date, and introduced student Jeremy Atvill to discuss his experiences being a student athlete from another country.

### **New Program Update**

Trustee Naples introduced Dr. Daria Willis to provide an update on new programs at the college. Dr. Willis explained that faculty have done a great job getting the new programs off the ground. Three are being packaged to go to SUNY now. There is a 30-day comment period from other colleges and then the programs officially get submitted. We hope to have these launched by fall 2020. Work does continue on the Veterinary Technician program with hopes to have that program packaged by the end of April.

### **New Business**

**\*Resolution to Deactivate the Business Accounting A.A.S. Degree**

**On motion from Trustee Sindoni and seconded by Trustee Owens, the resolution to deactivate the Business Accounting A.A.S. degree was unanimously approved.**

**\*Resolution to Discontinue and Deactivate the Certificate in Web Technology**

**On motion from Trustee Sindoni and seconded by Trustee Owens, the resolution to discontinue and deactivate the Certificate in Web Technology was unanimously approved.**

**\*Resolution to Deactivate the Professional Cooking Certificate Program**

**On motion from Trustee Sindoni and seconded by Trustee Owens, the resolution to deactivate the Professional Cooking Certificate Program was unanimously approved.**

### **Award Announcements**

Trustee Naples introduced Dr. Casey Crabill, President, to provide an update on recent awards for faculty, staff, and students. Dr. Crabill reviewed the list that was include in the trustee materials.

### **Introduction of 2019 Newman Civic Fellowship Winner Elham Abraham**

Dr. Crabill facilitated introductions of the 2019 Newman Civic Fellowship winner Elham "Ellie" Abraham. Ms. Abraham discussed her work with Community Care of Syracuse.

There being no further business, Trustee Naples adjourned the Education Committee meeting at 8:53 a.m.

Prepared by:

Julie Hart  
Secretary, Board of Trustees

Submitted by:

Allen Naples  
Chair, Board of Trustees