

Dear colleagues,

Thank you to the faculty members who attended our January meeting!

- Action Items:
 - None
- Committee/College updates:
 - **Gen Ed. Council-** Don Ransford reported on recent developments in Gen Ed happenings and events
 - **OBOC** meets every 3rd Friday of the Month and will hold a kickoff event for new students on Jan. 21 and 22.
 - **Spirited event:** Jan. 24th faculty gathering held at Bell Tower. Sign up through TLC:



Spirit"Ed" Conversation

Come engage with your colleagues at Society in the Bell Tower Shops to discuss education topics of interest to faculty in higher education while enjoying beverages and appetizers. This month's discussion topic is *Dual Enrollment*.

4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Facilitated by: Dr. Shawn Moore

- **Gen Ed Committee:** They have discussed Gen ed. criteria for international courses designation and criteria for Gen Ed. Courses designation. A review of all Gen Ed. Competencies is planned including a mapping to verify that student master a variety of them. Capstone idea will be explored.
 - **Curriculum Committee:** Mary Myers reported that the curriculum log will shortly be automated to make the process easier and create a better workflow. The deadline for new courses and programs should be submitted by October to better align with other due dates for SACS. Faculty should be working on new courses for the Fall Semester now. There will be training offered and manuals created, and hopefully a point person designated in each department who can help with curriculum related items.
- Information Items:

- **Climate Survey:** --Martin Tawil reported that the Faculty Executive Committee will review the results, which will be posted on the Senate website.
- College Operating Procedures**—Martin Tawil reported that he is waiting for the Provost to forward the COPs for review, which were expected earlier.
- Research Committee:** --Martin Tawil
 - Each August, the Faculty Senate will select a Research Committee. Martin Tawil asked interested faculty members to contact him by Friday, January 24, if interested in serving. The committee will then select a Chair.
 - The committee will be made up of faculty members.
 - The committee will include one (1) academic affairs administrator.
- **Update from Technology**
 - **Phishing emails:** Forward them to abuse@fsw.edu so the IT department can take a look at them to determine if they are phishing (if requested) or view them if you just wanted to report the email.
 - **Accessing email outside of portal:** Login using login.microsoftonline.com
 - Martin Tawil noted there are no additional new updates other than what has been sent out.
- Faculty Updates:
 - **Community of Practice in Instructional Technology:** Scott Ortolano (SOrtolano@fsw.edu) reported on the TLC Community of Practice in Instructional Technology's up-coming Spring Schedule which usually take place on third Monday of the month 2:30 – 3:30 p.m. This is an opportunity to learn about technology in a hands-on manner. Upcoming session include the following:
 - February 10th: Arenthia Herren, “These are a Few of my Favorite Things: Resources and Tips from the OER Librarian;”
 - March 16th: Rozalind Jester, “Zoom: FSW’s Next Generation for Virtual Meetings”
 - Stay tuned for information about the Third Annual Digital Pedagogy Open House on Friday, April 24th, 1:00- 2:30 p.m.
- New Business:
 - **Recycling on campus:** Don Ransford reported that it appears that the cleaning crew is not separating recycled items from regular trash, including batteries, calculators, ink cartridges and other electronic waste. Sabine Eggleston reported that it appears recycling is not happening in the Suncoast Arena either. Don Ransford suggested reporting this to Gina Doeble, and also coordinating with Student Government on a solution for recycling on campus. Martin Tawil

said that he will bring the issue to the Senate for a resolution at the next meeting.

Note: The February Senate meeting will not take place due to the AACC conference.

Your faculty senate

