



Facilities Standing Committee

Thursday, July 23, 2020 – 10:00 a.m.

Meeting Via Zoom

Minutes

1. Call to Order

Dr. S. Talaoc called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

2. Approval of Minutes

M/s/p (Dr. Olivo) Motion to review May 28, 2020 minutes. Minutes approved by consensus.

Meeting notes from June 25, 2020 were reviewed by the committee members and acknowledge the items discussed.

3. The Black Student Success Center – Presented by Dr. S. Talaoc

Dr. Talaoc drafted a memo on behalf of the FSC Committee to be submitted to the College Council in support of the expansion of The Black Student Success Center.

M/s/p (Dr. C. Olivo/N. Dixon) Motion to review and discuss the memo.

Question Prof. Endore: How many students can occupy the proposed Black Student center expansion? And how many Black students do PCC currently enroll?

Answer Dr. Talaoc: There are approximately 1,400 Black/African American students at PCC. The proposed new facility can hold up to 50 students. The intent for a bigger facility is to better accommodate the Black/African American students and be able to provide much-needed service to a greater number of students on campus.

M. Bush: At this time, the FSC's goal is to approve the memo in support of the Black Students Center. Once there is a consensus, the proposal will need to go to College Council for their review and approval. The next step is to conduct an in-depth Facilities analysis to survey what activities are in greater demand by the students. It can be determined the most efficient space and location utilization provide services to a larger number of students. It is also important for PCC's African American students to feel represented around campus. Once Facilities completes the analysis, it will present its recommendation to the stakeholders.

M/s/p Motion to approve FSC memo and amendment to be forward to the College council.
Motion passed by consensus.

Dr. Talaoc shared information from the Black Student Success Center stakeholder July 21st meeting to discuss the proposed Center. The attendees were Dr. C. Olivo, Dr. G. Lopez, A. Walker, R. Cobb, N. Dixon, and Dr. S. Talaoc.

Question D. Ramirez: Were there any Black/African American students, invited or included in the stakeholder's meeting?

Answer Dr. Talaoc: The purpose of the stakeholders' meeting was to get the perspective of those that are currently involved with the Black Students Center; to learn what services are currently offered, and to get input on what additional resources are needed to provide better services.

Once, the FSC proposal is approved by College Council, Black/African American students will be invited to contribute with their standpoint as end-users and recipients of services.

Dr. Talaoc continued to report on the stakeholder meeting. Ideally, the Black Student Success Center would remain permanently in the Campus Center to keep vital resources and services in one location. Concerning the floor plan, the stakeholders suggested to have a welcoming and inviting set up. Several ideas floated at the meeting on how to maximize the Center's square footage and to have room flexibility based on activities plan at the center. Operationally, it would be ideal to have three to four offices at the proposed new center. Office for coordinators, Counselors; programs, and a Coaching office. Important facilities rooms to add to the new center that would be a strong positive impact and be beneficial students not only academically but also socially and professionally. Dr. C. Olivo added that other logistics such as Center hours will be handled once the proposal for the center is in the works.

N. Dixon provided additional support to the proposal by adding that she has worked with Black-Academia group and it is evident now more than ever, that the Center does not have the facility or capacity to meet the current demands of the Black/African American students. The current facilities are too small, limiting the number of services currently provided. The demand is much greater. One can find PCC's Black students sitting on the floor outside the center waiting for appointments with an advisor, doing homework, or just a place to wait for their next class on campus.

The Committee continues to discuss the importance of receiving advice from stakeholders, students, and administration for possible funding sources. M. Bush commented on moving forward with the memo and follow up with the Facilities Analysis and students' input and contribution to the proposal. He reiterated that it is necessary to keep the Black Students Center on the FSC agenda as a permanent Agenda item until the Committee decides otherwise. Dr. Talaoc supported the recommendation.

4. Measure P Update - R. Laret, E Facilities, and Construction/ Executive Director

- Chiller Replacements: All three units are scheduled to be on-line in August 2020.
- Foster Youth Center/Food Pantry construction on track for September 2020 completion.
- R Building 5th Floor Restrooms ADA upgrades - completion on track for September 2020.

Facilities Projects Update:

- Deferred Maintenance and Cleaning of rooms College-wide continues during the Stay Home orders. it includes classroom floor waxing and deep cleaning.

5. Future Meeting Topics

- Black Student Success Center – Item to be kept on Agenda
- Technology Master plan update – Candace Jones next meeting

Question G. Endore: How much does a hot spot cost for a student?

Answer M. Bush: Please follow up with C. Jones, ITS. She will be able to assist.

6. Future Meetings – Thursday, August 27, 2020 from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m.

7. Meeting Adjourned at 10:50 a.m.