## Professional-Technical Council 2013-2014

## **Pro-Tech Council Members for 2013-14:**

**Victor Garcia** Web Administrator

**Lisa Barker** Director of Humboldt Center

Linda DavisSystem AnalystAnna HiggsBenefits CoordinatorDavid ClarkAdmissions CounselorMatt GronerDirector of Writing Center

Tracy Morton Veterans Affairs Coordinator

**Paula Fuller** Recruitment Manager

**Date:** October 30, 2013

Members Present: Victor Garcia, Lisa Barker, Anna Higgs, David Clark,

Matt Groner, Tracy Morton, Paula Fuller

Members Absent: Linda Davis

**Guests:** Nell Senter

Location: President's Conference Room

Meeting was called to order by Pro-Tech Council President Victor Garcia at 2:00 pm.

**Officers** were elected for the 2013-14 school year.

Victor Garcia, President Linda Davis, Vice-President Lisa Barker, Secretary

**Nell Senter** was our guest speaker. She gave us an overview of the QEP (Quality Evaluation Plan), which is part of the SACS reaccreditation review.

Dr. Senter stated that we, as a college, must come up with a plan. What can we do to help students' development, learning, and/or retention? We should come up with ideas that will help in one or more of these areas and share them at one of the campus wide meetings to be held in mid-November (see attached handout, provided by Dr. Senter). The ideas must be data driven, meaning that we must have data to document the need. The ideas do not necessarily have to be something enforced in the classroom but must be related.

## What can we do to enhance student learning and help students with the problems/obstacles they have?

During the campus wide meetings in mid-November, we will brain storm as a larger group and come up with as many valid ideas as possible. Dr. Senter's committee will then breakdown and combine as many ideas as possible.

During spring in-service, 3 ideas will be presented and as a college, we will vote to choose the one initiative that we will develop and implement within a 5-10 year span.

Tracy Morton asked whether the ideas should come from only faculty and staff or students as well. Dr. Senter responded that we are open to all suggestions.

Mr. Morton shared with the council his experience at a recent SGA meeting. Mr. Morton stated that the SGA had surveys at the Back to School Bash, which included a wish list, so to speak, of what students would like to see on campus. Among these were sports, volleyball specifically. It was stated that our Director of Athletics, Steve Cornelison, is in the process of making volleyball a possibility in the gymnasium.

Dr. Senter thanked us for our time and again urged for us to attend the campus wide meetings. She provided her extension (50266) and email (nsenter@jscc.edu).

President Victor Garcia then moved onto our Pro-Tech budget, \$600, which was confirmed by Immediate Past President Paula Fuller.

Our council should use the \$600 to serve either the college or pro-tech employees. We should brainstorm individually and will take suggestions at our next meeting.

An example/idea is that was mentioned is to help our PIE (Partners in Education) schools re-stock their personal care pantry with items such as toothpaste and deodorant. The pantry is an integral part of the classroom for students who come from families that cannot afford these items.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:30 pm.