

**Great Basin College**  
**FACULTY SENATE 2022-2023**  
**Friday, September 16, 2022**  
**9:00am**

**MINUTES**

1. **Roll Call Present Voting Representatives: Sam Lackey, Dean Straight, Glen Tenney, Ryan Hathaway, Phillip Medina Proxy (Tim Beasley, Tami Potter, Justine Stout, Eric Walsh, Ping Wang, Daniel Bergey, Jason Brick, Duncan Morris, Matt Nichols, Konstaninos Travlos, Diane Wrightman, Madison Arbillaga, Kim Noah, Brian Dankowski**

**Absent Voting Representatives: Jamie Wilkerson**

**Other Members Present: Kevin Seipp (Chair), Donald Jones (Secretary), Nicholas Cooley, Jennifer Stieger, Jonathan Foster, Ethan Hawkley, Laurie Walsh, Trina Castonguay, Deanna Hamilton, Lynette Macfarlan, Alberto Jimenez, David Sexton, Amanda Sprayberry, Michelle Beecher, Eleanor O'Donnell**

**Others Present: President Helens, Kelli Baker**

2. **Call to Order: 9:04 a.m.**
3. **Updates from President Helens – Verbal Report**

**President Helens thanked everyone for all their help with the Regent's meeting. President Helens also said that Lynette, along with the PTK, did an amazing presentation. The BOR also approved the conveyance of the Armory to GBC for the Mining Center of Excellence. This will serve CTE expansion and training and hopefully will serve the whole state for mining. Sam Spearing, with UNR, and Annie Huhta, the Director of the Mackay School are working on dual enrollment for mining.**

**President Helens reported the shared services with UNR were also on the BOR agenda and they approved to continue researching a closer alliance. These shared services have and will save us money. That's why we started working with UNR. We will continue to research the consolidation and faculty working together. President Helens stated GBC's name, mission and autonomy are untouchable, and this will not be a merger. Newmont and Barrick are not what we are talking about. GBC remains GBC and maintains its legacy.**

4. **Update from Vice President of BA, Sonja Sibert – No Report**
5. **Updates from Vice President of AA/SA, Jake Hinton-Rivera –No Report**
6. **Senate Chair Report – Verbal Report**

**Chair Seipp welcomed everyone back. He reported the Legislative session will begin in February. For budgets, there is already 5.4 billion in asks of a 5 billion budget. They are looking at a 400 million deficit. This may change. All of the chairs are working together for the session. Salaries are a big contention across the board.**

**Chair Seipp commented he is having difficulty finding chairs for the advisory committees, if one is not picked, he will pick them. There may be one more revision to come with the committees.**

**Chair Seipp reminded everyone to make sure they are attending your committee meetings, if you cannot attend try to make it work or reach out to him, and he will work to find one for you.**

Chair Seipp encouraged faculty to come to him or President Helens with questions about the consolidation.

7. **Approval of May 20, 2022, Minutes - For Possible Action**  
Dave Sexton moved to approve, Konstaninos Travlos seconded, motion passed unanimously.

8. **Standing Committee Reports:**

- a. Academic Standards & Assessment..... **No Report**
- b. Bylaws..... **No Report**
- c. Compensation & Benefits..... **No Report**
- d. Curriculum Review..... **No Report**
- e. Instructional Technology..... **No Report**
- f. Gen Ed Committee..... **No Report**
- g. Personnel..... **No Report**
- h. Strategic Planning, ad hoc..... **No Report**

9. **Unfinished Business:**

10. **New Business:**

- a. Senate Vice Chair Nominations – **For Possible Action**

Chair Seipp asked for nominations. No response. This will be a reoccurring agenda item until it is filled.

Chair Seipp stated the Strategic Plan will be on next month's agenda. It will be sent out again to have your department review, the structure and content will not change. We need support for this item to move it forward to present to the Board of Regents in December.

11. **Information Items:**

A reminder to everyone to look at the committee sheet to make sure you are on a committee.

Lynette MacFarlan reported PTK is launching a You Matter foster care program. Emails will be sent to department chairs to come to your department meeting. Support is needed for children and foster parents. The event will be from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm on October 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Solarium. The flyer is in the weekly post.

12. **Announcements:**

Ryan Hathaway announced there are student life events each month and asked for faculty support.

Justine Stout announced her last day is September 30<sup>th</sup> and she will be at Western Nevada College.

13. **Good of the Order:** Chair Seipp was thanked for stepping up as chair for another term.

A reminder to state your name when you speak was made by a committee member.

14. **Adjournment**..... **Action**

Konstantinos Travlos moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:34 a.m.