

**GSW General Faculty Meeting  
December 5, 2014**

<b>Meeting Details:</b>	Carter I Auditorium Presiding: Robert Bennett – Faculty Senate President Recorder: Joy Humphrey – Faculty Senate Secretary	<b>Responsible Party</b>	<b>Decision</b>
<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Discussion</b>		
<b>1. Call to Order/ Opening Comments</b>	Faculty Senate President, Robert Bennett called the meeting to order at 10:05 am	<b>Dr. Bennett</b>	
<b>2. Approval of Minutes</b>	<p>May 2, 2014 General Faculty Meeting minutes were reviewed. Motion was made by Dr. DiPaula to approve the minutes with changes listed below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-change adjourned time from PM to AM</li> <li>- attach Dr. Peavy’s Faculty Recruitment and Retention Plan Report</li> </ul> <p>The minutes were seconded by Dr. Ellington.</p>		<b>Motion carried with corrections to be made</b>
<b>3. Remarks by President Blanchard</b>	Dr. Blanchard gave his final remarks to faculty before Dec, 2015 retirement. “Exceptionally good job at turning out good students. Happy holidays and great future”.	<b>Dr. Blanchard</b>	
<b>4. Remarks by VOAA Adler</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. New leadership to GSW: Dr. Charles E. Patterson, Interim President</li> <li>2. SACS reaffirmation</li> <li>3. Budget hearing December 15, 2015</li> <li>4. QEP launched</li> <li>5. System changes: eCore</li> <li>6. Major changes: Criminal Justice; Teacher Education</li> <li>7. Fit Model</li> <li>8. Complete College GA: retention rate increased 5% since CCG efforts began</li> </ol>	<b>Dr. Adler</b>	

	<p>9. Salary: we are moving in positive direction</p> <p>10. Strategic Plan: Expires in Spring – plans are underway to begin new plan</p> <p>11. Faculty was thanked for their hard work and dedication to the students during the Fall Semester</p>		
<p><b>5. Update from Dr. Bryan Davis: Beacon</b></p>	<p>Dr. Davis revealed results of the 390 incoming students in Fall 2014:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Retention – 65% or greater</li> <li>2. Likelihood of Academic Success - &gt;69%</li> <li>3. Academic Engagement: 88% Concern: Social Comfort; Resiliency</li> <li>4. Notation Reporting: Alerts-728 tutoring/advising -first spike in September (around the 1<sup>st</sup> test); several more spikes around mid-term. Alerts – 400 active now -concern: we do not have enough tutors to help all students (pay too low)</li> <li>5. Supplemental Instruction – Dr. Tate suggested we could engage more students in supplemental instruction. It is now being piloted in Sciences/English.</li> </ol>	<p><b>Dr. Davis</b></p>	
<p><b>6. Reports from Faculty Committees</b></p>	<p><b>COAA:</b> full committee met 4 times; individual committees met 2 times</p> <p><b>Academic Grievances:</b> None</p> <p><b>Athletics:</b> Met 1 time – no issues</p> <p><b>Business and Finance:</b> Met 2 times-Cody King reviewed budget; tuition is down, budget is in good shape. Planning for year-end spending in Spring</p> <p><b>Faculty Affairs:</b> Met several times-in progress: faculty develop grants/lecturers/summer payment</p> <p><b>Graduate Affairs:</b> 8 Graduate Faculty approvals</p> <p><b>Institutional Review Board:</b> Met 2 times; approved 10 proposals. Coming in January 2015: mandatory training for research investigators</p> <p><b>Institutional Effectiveness:</b> Met 2 times</p>	<p><b>Courtney McDonald</b> <b>Jamie MacLennan</b> <b>Rebecca Short</b> <b>Susan Robinson</b></p> <p><b>Nellie Iordanova</b></p> <p><b>Paul Dahlgren</b> <b>Catalina Casaru</b></p> <p><b>Lauren DiPaula</b></p>	



	<p>by Dr. Gugg; seconded by Dr. Simmons</p> <p>4. <b>School of Nursing - Proposal to consolidate the practicum course for each track in that program with one single course.</b> Motion made Dr. Ellington; seconded by Dr. Dahlgren</p> <p><b><u>Faculty Affairs Proposals</u></b></p> <p>1. <b>Faculty Handbook Change:</b> Handbook states “Pursuant to Board of Regents policies, Lecturers are Non-Tenure Track professional personnel hired to provide special instructional functions such as basic skills instruction”. Dr. Bryan Davis suggested, “Lecturers would be allowed to teach commensurate with credentials that they bring”. Motion carried; one opposition</p> <p>2. <b>Faculty Development Grant Form Change:</b> Motion made by Dr. Wu; seconded by Dr. Dahlgren</p>		<p><b>Motion carried; one opposition</b></p> <p><b>Motion carried</b></p>
<p><b>8. Adjourned</b></p>	<p><b>Meeting adjourned at 11:50 am</b></p>		