

Approved October 20, 2010

Faculty Assembly
September 22, 2010
H-wing Auditorium

Approval of the minutes: Approved

Report from the Faculty Assembly President: Jim Morley

President Morley welcomed everyone to the first Faculty Assembly meeting of the fall semester. He reiterated the January 2010 decision to streamline the Executive Council and model it after ARC with well defined decision items. Announcements will be posted to the Faculty Assembly webpage. Announcements, agenda items, or other questions may be sent to faec@ramapo.edu. Each Councilor has taken on certain areas of interest/portfolios and the Council is prioritizing the agenda for year with the top items being support for conveners and Middle States assessment. For additional items, please see the approved minutes of the Executive Council posted on the Faculty Assembly webpage.

Faculty Assembly Decision Items

Modified Robert's Rules of Order: Jill Weiss

Councilor Weiss presented Robert's Rules of Order Modified for Ramapo College Faculty Assembly (see also Faculty Assembly webpage) outlining the proposed rules. Discussion was open for fifteen minutes with the following secondary motions being put forth:

- Secondary motion 1: All votes by paper ballot or by clicker
- Secondary motion 2: Suspension of the rules may be accomplished by vote of the full Faculty Assembly
- Secondary motion 3: Each speaker should identify themselves and any acronym they use
- Secondary motion 4: Will permit speakers to be recognized and speak while seated

All secondary motions were voted on and approved. A vote on the Modified Rules was then taken with the results being approval. The Rules will go into effect at the October 20 meeting.

ARC Report: Emma Rainforth

Chairwoman Rainforth reminded members present about the posted ARC report on the ARC webpage including an update to the Manual. ARC has been working on clarifying submissions of course proposals, updating language, clarifying the course syllabus template, and clarifying learning outcomes. To that end the following 2 decision items were presented for discussion and subsequent secondary motions:

1. Approval of course capacity updates for online and graduate courses
 - Secondary motion to table the vote on course capacity for online and graduate courses. Voting results: Secondary motion approved-vote on course capacity tabled until the October 20 meeting.
2. Approval of Course Level Guidelines for graduate courses
 - Secondary motion to table the vote on Course Level Guidelines for graduate courses. Due to overall confusion, the vote was never taken and the discussion was closed to time constraints.

Submitted by M. Sexton, Interim Faculty Assembly Secretary