

Leadership Council Meeting
September 24, 2020
1:30 pm
MEETING MINUTES

PRESENT:

William Brown
Angie DeBraga
Amber Donnelly
Mardell DorsBret Murphy
Jake Rivera
Kevin Seipp
Jennifer Sprout
Karl Stevens
Sarah Wilkey
Brian Zeiszler

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President Helens reported a 2

th. Her relayed his conversation with President Helens about the possibility of having the GBC Bylaws review as part of the Strategic Planning Committee that will convene this year. The Faculty Senate Bylaws committee recommended we review and update the GBC Bylaws and they would be willing to participate and assist in that process. President Helens stated that after the GBC

look at. Jake Rivera supports the work that the committee is doing, but the committee must work with him and the deans so that they are not creating more work than is necessary. There is a process for new degree/programs and catalog changes. Any changes to the content of a gen ed class would need to be approved by deans and him and needs to be reviewed by Academic Standards and Curriculum and Articulation. When working with changes and updates to courses everyone needs to know difference between reviewed and approved. Amber Donnelly said it would be a benefit if the process could be streamlined. Jake will work with the deans to come up with a more workable process.

**Policy Protecting our Veteran/Dependent Students from
Late Fees and Penalties Due to Veteran Affairs Payment Delay**

Great Basin College (GBC) will not penalize or prohibit a GI Bill® student from attending or to the Veterans Resource Center (VRC) in order to qualify for the protections listed above. If a student does not comply, the Veteran/Dependent Student is not protected, and GBC will be allowed to charge a late fee. The late fees and penalties, which is due to the student's failure, will be owed by the student. Even if the student ultimately submits a COE and VA pays tuition and fees after the fact, the late fee will not be reimbursed to the student.

NOTE: The law prohibits the school from requiring a student to use his or her federal financial aid, or other sources of payment, for tuition and fees while it awaits VA payments within the 90-day period. However, schools are not prohibited from allowing a student to utilize his or her federal financial aid, or any sort of aid or loan for tuition/fees during the interim period if the student wishes to do so. What a school may not do is insist that the student utilize their aid, take out loans, or do anything else so that the tuition and fees are paid in advance of the VA benefit payment.

A school may require a student to pay any charges for which there is no expectation VA will pay