



Bright Sun Dispatch

Faculty Senate Newsletter - Vol. 27 - November 2021 - A Season of Giving Thanks is Upon Us.

For what or whom are you thankful this holiday season?

In the midst of movement and chaos, keep stillness inside of you. ~Deepok Chopra

Next Faculty Senate Meeting:

Friday, November 19th, 10am to noon on Zoom. We will have Lisa Stanton and Juliet Long as guest speakers.

Email Amy Durst at adurst@roguecc.edu for more information.

There are a great deal of things and people for which we can count our blessings in Faculty Senate. As we look back to our minutes from last month's meeting, the Short Topics seem all consuming. Let's focus on one. We hired a third full-time proctor in the Testing Center which allows the Testing Center at RWC, now located in L-5, to host up to 8 students at a time in the computer lab portion and 1 student in the 'quiet lab'.

The Testing Center at RVC is located in Rm. 11. Marie Maguire-Cook is working hard to make sure that everyone is trained and is working with Access and Disability Resources to ensure that everything is in place at both locations. They are still trying to hire another part-time proctor to complete the team and once all the training is done, schedules are in place, and dates have been posted - they will begin testing. Please contact her if you have any questions for your class and/or your particular student.



Am I lost or just less found?

~ C.S. Lewis



This is my final newsletter friends. I hope you've enjoyed them over the years. Almost (?) every photo has been from me and the messages sent with care from the Co-Chairs and myself. May you and yours have a wonderful holiday season. Be well! Warm wishes! -Marina

Where's Your Sign?

Having services such as the Testing Center is great, but if your students can't find such services...that creates a problem. The larger discussion being: "The Senate should consider making a statement about how the changes are impacting learning on our campuses?"

Students at RVC are at a loss to find services to help. For example, a student was wandering around the 2nd floor of HEC until a faculty member helped her find numbers and resources. The student had not encountered anyone to ask questions until they had reached the 2nd floor of HEC.

When something like that happens, how can we get information to the appropriate people/students/faculty and so on quickly?

More and more students are reporting their frustrations with the lack of services at RVC. Staff are being told RVC is just a center and services for Jackson County will be at TRC. Removing these systems and making students travel to TRC is not helping these students, it hurts them.

Faculty Senate and other RCC committees are working tirelessly to try and make this school succeed. We believe in the goals and the mission. If you are not currently volunteering on a committee or school organization, please consider how you can make a difference in the coming New Year. Please consider how spending just a few hours a month with some of your colleagues can help to turn this school around.

This [.pdf](#) contains a list of councils and committees on our intranet that you can join. Make your voice heard in 2022.

In the meantime, we wish you all a safe, healthy, warm holiday season and bright and happy New Year!

Dr. Chiharu Sai, Music Dept., Co-Chair, Piano

Jim Shaw, Emergency Services, Co-Chair, Guitar

Amy Durst, Assistant to VPI, Drums

Marina Whitchurch, Humanities/Communication, Bells