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| Academic Senate Committee Minutes | | | |
| january 27, 2015 | | 11:00-11:50 a.m. | L 238 N & S |
| note taker | respectfully submitted by Caree Lesh & Angie Arietti | | |
| Attendees | Abuan, Maria | Hopkins, Kesa | ~~Rempt, Andrew~~ |
| Arredondo, Josue | Lesh, Caree | ~~Richison, Scott~~ |
| Beach, Randy | Lewis, John | ~~Salahuddin, Sheri~~ |
| Brady, David | Lynch Morissette, Emily | Soto, Corina |
| ~~Burton, Veronica~~ | Maag, Eric | Speyrer, Michael |
| Carberry, Ed | Martinez-Sanabria, Maria E. | ~~Tolli, John~~ |
| Caschetta, Todd | McAneney, Danielle | Tyahla, Sandy |
| Cuddy, Luke | McDaniel, Cynthia | Villegas, Val |
| Davis, J.D. | ~~McGee, Tony~~ | Whitsett, Jessica |
| ~~Decker, Stephanie~~ | Mossadeghi, Yasmin | Williams, Janelle |
| Detsch, Steven | ~~Ortiz, Luis~~ | Wolniewicz, Rebecca |
| Edwards-LiPera, Diane | Posey, Jessica | Yoder, Leslie |
| Flores-Charter, Patti | Post, Frank | Yonker, Susan |
| Garcia-Navarrete, Sylvia | Quan, Nghiep | ~~Zinola, Lauren~~ |
| Hayashi, Chris | Quintana, Pablo |  |
| GUEST/s | Superintendent/President Dr. Nish | Kathy Tyner |  |
| Names in red indicate AS Executive committee members. | | |  |
| **Call to order; Approval of Agenda (Action Item)** | | | patricia flores-charter |
| Discussion | A motion was made to approve the agenda and was seconded. | | |
| Approval of agenda. M/S/C. unanimous Patti requested we make a change to the agenda. On item 7, she would like to reduce it by 5 minutes and increase the president’s report by 5 minutes. The change was motioned, seconded, and approved. | | | |
| **Approval of Minutes from 12/09/14 (Action Item)** | | | patricia flores-charter |
| Discussion | A motion was made to approve the minutes and was seconded. Maria noted a change on item #8. She wanted the second sentence to be deleted because the information was incorrect. | | |
| Approval of minutes. M/S/C. Unanimous | | | |
| **Public Comment (Information Item)** | | | patricia flores-charter |
| Discussion | We received student equity funds to improve in basic skills (ESL and African American males, and cultural competence). Please send conference ideas to Janelle Williams, it can be in state or out of state. There is a new teaching online series starting Friday in L 238 from 11:00-11:50 a.m.  Angie Stuart is the new representative from World Language.  We are a smoke free college, including all campuses, but we need signs to indicate that. Patti noted signs are coming soon. Police will be taking a community policing approach to this. Another college had a simple procedure of a ticket process and appeals process for the tickets. E-cigarettes are also part of the ban. | | |
| **Presidents Report (Report)** | | | patricia flores-charter |
| Discussion | The President’s report link is imbedded at the end of the minutes.  Please remember the process for standing committees. The Senate is a representative body and senators represent a body of faculty, as noted on the senate chart. Standing committee has a specific role and make recommendations to the senate. Standing committees have representatives from each school and share information at school meetings. Department Chairs are a standing committee and should report out at school meetings. They should also survey their faculty to represent their interests. Controversial items will typically go to Senate Executive Committee and then out to the full Senate as needed. Ad Hoc Committees are short-term and produce a product that comes to the Senate and then it is disbanded. Distance Education is an example of an Ad Hoc Committee.  Our enrollment on Monday was at 85% and we need to be at 86% at census. Extended registration saw 1700 students register from Friday through Tuesday at midnight. 700 of the registations occurred on Tuesday up to midnight. We believe that having the link to open classes is helping.  Tentatively for FHP, we may hire only in single digits. The union was asked to review current forongoing funding budget to hire. We are also asking to not hire based on the FON and to hire by need and budget.  14 people were approved for sabbatical by the committee and will go to the Governing Board in February.  Policy 7120 has formed an Ad Hoc committee for revision of AP 7120 faculty hiring procedure.  The governor’s January budget includes 125 million to increase base allocation. The Legislative Analyst’s Office expects that the state will receive between $1-2 billion more in revenue. So the budget outlook is very good. | | |
| **SCEA Report (Report)** | | | frank post |
| discusson | Sabbaticals are on track and the committee is recommending approval, so there is no need to be concerned about the number. At the last Governing Board meeting, a member was concerned about the music teacher being 18th on the FHP list. Frank let her know that the Governing Board can look at the 50% and increase number of hires to pay for direct instruction based on the budget. We will need assistance from the senate to make those presentations to the Governing Board.  Ken Yanow sent an e-mail about the negotiations results for part-time faculty. Vesting and salary across the board are still pending. We have had great relationships at the table this year with Melinda and John Clark and are able to clean up things that were a long time coming.  Look forward to surveys this semester on what we should negotiate on next. | | |
| **BP 4106 Nursing Program (1st Read Item)** | | | sandy tyahla |
| Discussion | In the last few years the nursing department has changed from a waiting list to a point system for admission and this new policy reflects that. The pass rate has improved to 93%. The state average is 82% and our old rate was 80%. The policy is not a curriculum issue just an admission. This will now go to SCC and then to the Governing Board. It was asked if we need a formal procedure on this. Patti will check with the Director of Nursing about that. This will come back on February 10th for a second reading/action. | | |
| **GB Statement of Commitment: Student Access, Equity, Success and Completion (1st Read Item)** | | | patricia flores-charter |
| Discussion | This is a draft statement put together by the Governing Board based on a workshop the Governing Board put on in the fall to discuss improving access, success, completion and equity. They are asking for our feedback on this document and this is going to SCC tomorrow. At SCC, they are just going to ask that people go out and get feedback. Melinda would like us to get into this and make it our own. The Governing Board is really looking for feedback from the Academic Senate. It is in SharePoint under SCC. ~~We should get feedback to SCC for the first February meeting.~~ Feedback should go to Patti by Feb. 10 and the Senate members at SCC can present it. | | |
| **Graduation Requirement Part II (Discussion Item)** | | | patricia flores-charter |
| Discussion | The major changes in this are from the Curriculum Committee. They recommend removing the 3 extra units from area C and D, adding 3 units of cultural competency approved classes. An Ad Hoc Committee of the Curriculum Committee on the courses for the cultural competency has been formed. They will work on the criteria for classes to meet this requirement. Title 5 requires we offer ethnic studies, but do not require it. This term is outdated and restrictive. Our Curriculum Committee chose to require it. Limiting the GE allows students to take electives of their choice, maybe in their major, in GE areas, maybe in other areas of interest. Please take this discussion for a vote to your constituents at the next school meeting. It was suggested that instead of having cultural competency we just have students take whatever they want to complete 18 units of GE. Please take a look at the Cultural Competency requirement on the back, as this does not match what the committee recommended. The ad hoc committee will be reviewing the title, definition, and establishing criteria that would meet this requirement. What the Senate is doing now is deciding if we want to require and not just offer these courses. Page 62 and 63 of the catalog currently show courses in “Cultural Studies”.  It sounds like we are adding a new requirement when we recently cut the local area graduation requirements. This new category would be a class from A-D that they would have to take anyway to meet the 18 unit requirement. It does not add units. If we do not do this student will be able to take any class from GE to complete their 18 units mandated for GE. It is not an addition of units.. It was suggested the entire list be re-evaluated, rather than just adding things. | | |
| **Adjournment** | | | patricia flores-charter |
| Discussion | The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 | | |
| The next Academic Senate meeting: February 10, 2015 in L 246 from 11:00-11:50 a.m. | | | |

[01-27-15 President’s Report](https://portal.swccd.edu/Committees/AcaSen/Standardized%20Document%20Library/Prez%20Report%201-27-15.docx)