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| Academic Senate Committee Minutes | | | |
| september 9, 2014 | | 11:00-11:50 a.m. | L 246 |
| note taker | respectfully submitted by Caree Lesh & Angie arietti | | | |
| Attendees | Arredondo, Josue | Lewis, John | Richison, Scott | |
| Beach, Randy | Lynch Morissette, Emily | Salahuddin, Sheri | |
| Brady, David | ~~Maag, Eric~~ | Soto, Corina | |
| Burton, Veronica | Martinez-Sanabria, Maria E. | Speyrer, Michael | |
| Carberry, Ed | McAneney, Danielle | Tolli, John | |
| Caschetta, Todd | McDaniel, Cynthia | Tyahla, Sandy | |
| Davis, J.D. | McGee, Tony | Villegas, Val | |
| Decker, Stephanie | Mossadeghi, Yasmin | Whitsett, Jessica | |
| ~~Detsch, Steven~~ | ~~Orozco, Alejandro~~ | Williams, Janelle | |
| Edwards-LiPera, Diane | ~~Ortiz, Luis~~ | Wolniewicz, Rebecca | |
| Flores-Charter, Patti | Posey, Jessica | ~~Yoder, Leslie~~ | |
| Garcia-Navarrete, Sylvia | Post, Frank | Yonker, Susan | |
| Hayashi, Chris | Quan, Nghiep | Zinola, Lauren | |
| Hopkins, Kesa | Quintana, Pablo |  | |
| Lesh, Caree | Rempt, Andrew |  | |
| GUEST/s |  |  |  | |
| 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. An amendment was made to add item number 5 as a first read of the bylaws for one minute and was accepted. The motion passed unanimously with the amendment. | | | |
| Approval of agenda. M/S/C. | | | | |
| **Public Comment (Information Item)** | | | patricia flores-charter |
| Discussion | No public comments were made. | | | |
| **Presidents Report (Information Item)** | | | patricia flores-charter |
| Discussion | If something is on fire call Patti at x6437. Please do not e-mail her if it is critical. Tomorrow at the Governing Board meeting, the two new counselor positions will be voted on. These positions were announced at SCC. They were not brought up the day before at FHP. Even categorical positions should be reported to FHP and it should be reported to campus leaders to promote trust and effective communication. Andrew Rempt is on the SSSP Committee and even this committee was not notified. There is a lack of process with these positions. It was also noted that the positions are not in the SSSP report. There is also an administrative position for EMT/Paramedic. The Governing Board denied the position at their June meeting. Now a part-time faculty member is being paid an administrative salary to do the job. The position used to be reassigned time for a full-time faculty member.  Design standards for new construction: Mark Van Stone has been asked to help with adding some Mayan glyphs in the new HESA building and future buildings to fit the theme of our campus.  The Technology team will be coming to Senate to discuss technology issues on campus on 9/23/14.  SSSP and Student Equity will be here next week for updates. There is a lot of money in these two areas and we want clear information on how this money will be spent.  The DE Handbook will be coming for final approval, and pre-requisites will be coming forward this semester. | | |
| **SCEA Report (Report)** | | | frank post |
| discusson | Negotiations are ongoing for the compressed calendar. The deadline for fall 15 implementation is the end of September. There was a complaint filed against the hiring of the SSSP Counselor positions. The complaint is over Title 5 hiring compliance. Angelica said she would put into place plans if the funding were cut. A Senator noted that in March SCEA won the arbitration case on vesting, and now no part-time faculty were hired out of 4 positions. This could be seen as retaliation. | | |
| **By-laws (added to agenda as information item by unanimous vote of senate). (Information)** | | | patricia flores-charter |
| Discussion | The Senate Executive Committee worked all summer on the by-laws. Most of the changes were made to positions and the new reassigned time we have. This will come back for vote next week. | | |
| **Senate Communication (Information)** | | | patricia flores-charter |
| Discussion | There are no administrators today so we could talk amongst ourselves. Patti wants to know how Senators’ feel about the administrators being in the room for our meetings, and if it effects honest communication at Senate meetings. A Senator noted that when Denise started coming to Senate, it was a breath of fresh air and helped morale. Another Senator questioned when faculty get a chance to talk amongst themselves. Administrators meet behind closed doors and we don’t have that chance. When Administrators are here it does change the conversation, but if they come they should be present and not on their phones/iPads, which sends a negative message. There has been retaliation in the past and it is best to face it head on and deal with it. Administration can come to Senate, since we fall under Brown Act. It was noted by a Senator that at the vast majority of colleges the President and administrators do not attend every senate meeting. This is true in Region 10 as well. Patti will report back to Melinda on our discussion.  Patti also passed out a chart of Senate Committees and meeting times. Please let Patti know if you have a committee that needs to be on the chart. Then we can determine where we need people and fill the positions. | | | |
| **Morale-Noel Levitz (Information)** | | | patricia flores-charter |
| Discussion | Linda Hensley will come present on the most recent survey soon. The goal is to improve morale. Patti would like to send out targeted surveys to different areas to drill down to the real issues. Patti and Melinda are not meeting on a regular basis. | | | |
| **Program Review Timelines (Information)** | | | susan yonker |
| Discussion | Fall is APR time! Susan has sent out an e-mail with all the documents needed to start your program review. The same forms are available on the website under faculty and staff institutional program review. All of last years’ information from the 2013-14 snap shot is posted in SharePoint. Please don’t use the blank form! | | | |
| **Accreditation Update (Information)** | | | rebecca wolniewicz |
| Discussion | All last years’ information was collected for the self-evaluation report. Over the summer the information was compiled and now that data will go back to the standing committees to make sure all the questions are completely answered. Once that is done, the reports will go to SCEA Exec and Senate Exec to confirm no information is missing and the report is accurate. The first draft of the self-evaluation report will be composed and sent out globally in February. This will be the earliest we have ever had a draft out. There is a video online under staff development to explain more about the process of accreditation. | | | |
| **Graduation Requirements (Update)** | | | patricia flores-charter |
| Discussion | Last accreditation round it was noted we needed to re-evaluate our graduation requirements. On 10/14/14 we will vote on the graduation requirements. In the meantime, please get on department and school agendas to have a discussion about the options for graduation requirements. If you want members of the graduation requirements committee to attend a school meeting please let Patti know. | | | |
| **Adjournment** | | | patricia flores-charter |
| Discussion | The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 | | | |
| The next Academic Senate meeting: September 16, 2014 in L 246 from 11:00-11:50 a.m. | | | | |