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ACADEMIC SENATE

Thursday, November 8, 2007

**MINUTES**

**PRESENT:** J. Campbell, G. Differding, J. Ford, G. Gomez, S. Haber, L. Halsted, J. Hider, C. Hammond, N. Keeley, T. Marshall, T. Nichols, T. Pagaard, P. Thiss, G. Thurman, M. Wangler, K. Wergeland, T. Zambelli  
**ABSENT:** J. Custeau  
**OTHERS:** Chris Hill

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Senate President Jan Ford called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m.

**I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**M/S/P (Differding/Gomez) to approve the corrected minutes of the meeting of October 11, 2007.**

**M/S/P (Differding/Pagaard) to approve the minutes of the special meeting of November 1, 2007.**

**II. PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

**A. *Update on Cuyamaca Fest***

Senate President Jan Ford informed the senate that she received an email regarding the upcoming Cuyamaca Fest, to be held on the evening of November 14. There was discussion regarding the Academic Senate having an information table at the event. In the past, during schedule debut, students were able to enter a raffle for a \$100 textbook voucher to the bookstore. Concerns were expressed about not being informed of the change of venue for the schedule debut event. Many faculty members will already be present representing their departments.

**M/S (Differding/Wangler) to have the senate participate in the Cuyamaca Fest and offer a \$100 book voucher.**

**Motion failed.**

**B. *Hayward Teaching Excellence Award***

Jan asked if the Senate wanted to continue the tradition of recommending the current recipient of Cuyamaca's Teacher of the Year award, Nanette Weir, for the Academic Senate for California Community College's Hayward Teaching Excellence award. All agreed.

**C. *Update on AP 3518 and AP 3720***

Senate President Jan Ford also updated the senate regarding two AP's discussed at the last senate meeting:

AP 3720 - Network and Computer Users. At the District Executive Council (DEC) meeting on 11/5/07 it was decided to form a task force of DEC members to look into possible revisions after input was offered from the Academic Senates of both Cuyamaca and Grossmont Colleges. The task force members are Chris Hill, Jan Ford, Jan Recktenwald, Zoe Close, Sue Rearic, and Ben Lastimado. AP 3720 is on hold awaiting recommendations from the task force.

AP 3518 – Child Abuse Reporting. Jan Ford read Cuyamaca's Academic Senate motion related to AP 3518 to DEC members. Chris Hill read Grossmont's Academic Senate motion to DEC members as well. Because the two motions from the senates provided different perspectives, the Chancellor formed a second task force to gather further information concerning who should be considered mandatory reporters in the GCCCD administrative procedure. Bob Eygenhyusen was charged with getting more research from the state and present to the district the findings. Other members of the task force include Ben Lastimado, Chris Hill, and Jan Ford.

**III. ACTION**

**A. *GCCCD Legislative Program 2007-2010***

**M/S/P (Zambelli/Differding) to recommend to IPC and DEC endorsement of the proposed GCCCD legislative program 2007-2010 and Prop 92.**

**B. *Collaboration on Confidentiality Statement***

Jan provided a history of the dialog that had taken place over the past several weeks concerning the confidentiality statement. Jan reported that she and Chris Hill, President of the Grossmont Academic Senate, initially met with Vice Chancellor Ben Lastimado in October to discuss the issue. Because faculty members at both colleges were concerned about the new confidentiality statement, a joint senate resolution was developed by the senate leadership at Cuyamaca and Grossmont. Mike Wangler and Chris Hill attended a

follow up meeting with the Chancellor and Vice Chancellor Lastimado to discuss faculty concerns surrounding use of the new confidentiality form.

At the November 1<sup>st</sup> special academic senate meeting it was agreed that a second joint resolution including UF would be drafted. On Monday November 5<sup>th</sup>, the Grossmont Senate passed the two joint academic senate resolutions. Later that day at the District Executive Council meeting, the Chancellor announced that his decision was to reinstate the old confidentiality form. Chancellor Suarez also announced that Vice Chancellor Ben Lastimado would write a script for HR staff to deliver to the search committee members during their orientation training. The academic senate presidents and vice-presidents of both colleges reviewed the script and recommended that reference to Board Policy 7360, which assures due process, replace reference to the Ed Code. After confirming that the recommended change was accepted and made, both academic senate presidents recommend moving ahead with the process with the new script and signing the old form.

**M/S/P (Zambelli/Differding) to approve the following resolution:**

**Whereas, the hiring of full-time tenure track faculty is paramount to providing quality education to ensure student success;**

**Whereas, Education Code, Section 87360 requires that the existing district process remain in effect until a joint agreement is reached and approved; and**

**Whereas, the current process for participation on a full-time faculty search/screening/interview committee has been changed with the implementation of a new confidentiality statement that incorporates hiring procedures that have not been agreed upon jointly;**

**Resolved that the Academic Senate of Cuyamaca College congratulates both the Grossmont Academic Senate and the United Faculty for working with the Cuyamaca College Senate to bring about the reinstatement of the old confidentiality statement retroactive to Fall 2007; and**

**Resolved, that any proposed revisions be vetted through the district's shared governance structure to ensure compliance with Education Code, Section 87360.**

#### **IV. Information**

##### ***A. Cuyamaca College 508 Compliance Plan***

Greg Differding, chair of the Online Teaching and Learning Committee, presented an overview of the 508 Compliance Plan for the college developed by the Online Teaching and Learning Committee. The original law, passed in 1988, requires all college faculty websites and materials to be compliant and accommodate all students, especially those with special needs. If online materials are not accessible to all students, the possibility exists of opening up the college to lawsuits. It was recommended that the college pull

together a “trail team” of faculty to help put together some compliant websites and other online resources.

Grossmont has a full-time person who edits all the information that goes onto the web to make sure that the online materials are in compliance. Greg is bringing the plan to the Senate for endorsement. The plan is for anyone who uses web-based technology.

Questions from Senators focused on how faculty can be in compliance in a timely manner. Once faculty members are trained regarding compliance issues, it will be their responsibility to keep their complaint web-based materials up to date. In the future, part-time faculty will need to be trained regarding DSPS technology. Faculty will be given a checklist of things that on-line teaching faculty should know before they can teach a course.

#### ***B. SLO Task Force***

Mike Wangler presented a revised version for a proposed SLO Task Force incorporating all but one of the changes recommended by senators at the 10/25/07 meeting. The Senate Officers Committee thought it appropriate to keep the SLO Task Force reporting to the Innovation and Planning Council and to the Academic Senate. There was discussion centered on the meaning of “assessment activities” and at what level the SLO Task Force would be involved with assessment in the classroom.

#### ***C. Faculty Handbook – Course Syllabi***

In the interest of time, this item was postponed to November 29 meeting.

### **V. Additional Reports**

#### ***A. Vice Presidents’ Report***

Michael Wangler reported on the Statewide Academic Senate Plenary of November 1-3, 2007. Mike presented a quick overview on the resolution voting results at the ACCC Fall plenary session that were discussed at the special meeting of November 1<sup>st</sup>. The theme of the Senate Plenary focused on equity and diversity, with a strong emphasis on the equity arena. There was also significant discussion regarding curriculum.

### **VI. Public Comment**

**Adjournment** – Senate President Jan Ford adjourned the meeting at 3:50 p.m.

Reported by Gwen Nix