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Regular Meeting

Thursday, October 23, 2008

## MINUTES

**PRESENT:** J. Campbell, G. Differding, J. Ford, M. Graham, D. Hajj, C. Hammond, N. Jennings, C. Morrin, T. Nichols, B. Pescar, P. Setzer, P. Thiss, G. Thurman, M. Wangler, K. Wergeland, A. Zambelli

**ABSENT:** N. Keeley

**OTHERS:** P. Carmona, K. Nette T. O'Hare

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### CALL TO ORDER

Academic Senate President Michael Wangler called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m.

#### I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

M/S/P (Thiss/Hajj) to approve the minutes of the meeting on October 9, 2008, as amended.

#### II. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

##### A. *Governing Board Update*

Mike Wangler reported on actions taken at the October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2008 special Governing Board meeting and the October 21, 2008 regular Governing Board meeting. The Senators were provided with copies of the adoption budget, which was approved at the special Governing Board meeting on October 14, 2008. The Proposition R spending plan for FY 2008-09 was also approved at the October 14<sup>th</sup> special meeting.

At the regular Governing Board meeting on October 21, 2008 Mike read to the Governing Board the language that will be on the Wendell Cutting plaque in the H Building. The faculty who occupy the H building, in consultation with the district, developed the language for the plaque. The building will likely be renamed the Wendell Cutting Center instead of the Wendell Cutting Science and Technology Building as there may be a variety of disciplines operating in the building over time.

The Senators got into a discussion about the appropriate name for the building and voted to move the topic to an action item.

**M/S/P (Nichols/Differding) to suspend the rules to move this item to action category.**

**M/S/P (Nichols/Campbell) to recommend that the name of the building be Wendell Cutting Hall (2 opposed).**

**B. *Chancellor Search Update***

Mike Wangler reported that the initial paper screening of candidates for the Chancellor position has been completed. Interviews will be conducted during November. It is anticipated that the position will be filled by February or March 2009. The current Chancellor will remain in the district as an advisor to the new Chancellor until June 2009.

**C. *Hayward Award for Excellence in Education***

The Hayward Award for Excellence in Education is awarded annually by the Statewide Academic Senate. Historically, the most recent instructor to receive the Cuyamaca College Academic Senate Award for Teaching Excellence is nominated for the Hayward Award. Mike Wangler asked for input from the Senate as to whether they should continue this practice. The general consensus was that the Senate should follow tradition. The 2008 Award for Teaching Excellence recipient, Chuck Charter will be contacted and asked if he is interested in being Cuyamaca's nominee for the 2009 Hayward Award.

**D. *Faculty Handbook***

Mike reported that Barbara Pescar has volunteered to chair the Faculty Handbook Task Force. Donna Hajj agreed to assist with updates as they pertain to the counseling department. Mike will advertise for volunteers to serve on this task force.

**III. VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Nancy Jennings reported that Terrie Nichols was appointed to serve on the Academic Master Plan Committee.

**IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**A. *Academic Master Plan Committee***

Katheryn Nette, Co-Chair of the Academic Master Plan Committee (AMP) provided the Senate with an update on recent committee work. She reported that the committee had finalized the full-time faculty hiring slate for the current academic year:

Business

Biology

ENVT

Art

Math

PDC

Questions were asked about whether there would be funding to enable the school to hire the recommended instructors. Mike Wangler stated that the adoption budget included the Governing Board's 2008-09 staffing commitment of \$400,000 for each college to hire faculty and staff in support of the new buildings. This funding will enable Cuyamaca to hire the top 3 or 4 positions on the AMP slate. There will be an action item on the agenda of the next Senate meeting to endorse the AMP slate.

**B. *Basic Skills Committee***

Mary Graham, Co-Chair of the Basic Skills Committee provided an update on recent committee work including the development and implementation of the 2008-09 Basic Skills Plan. She reported that the committee is trying to implement changes that will become institutionalized and supported once the funding ends. She explained that Basic Skills students are defined as students that are performing below transfer level in English, ESL, Reading and/or Mathematics. The Senate will entertain a motion to approve the 2008-09 Basic Skills Plan at the next Academic Senate meeting.

**C. *Professional Development Committee***

Paul Carmona, Co-Chair of the Professional Development Committee, provided an update on recent committee work. The committee has approximately \$12,000 to fund individual professional development activities for the 2008-09 year.

The committee has sent out a call for presentations for Spring Flex Week. The theme for the flex week is 508 compliance, and there will be several workshops and training sessions on this topic throughout the week. Faculty are encouraged to submit proposals for other activities as well.

**V. ACTION**

**A. *College Hour Modification***

**M/S/P (Nichols/Thiss) to approve rescheduling the October 21, 2008 College Hour to November 4, 2008 from 1:00 – 2:00 pm.**

**B. *AP 7111 College President Selection***

**M/S (Nichols/Differding) to endorse the proposed administrative procedure for selecting a college president within the district as amended at the October 9, 2008 Academic Senate meeting.**

**M/S/W (Setzer/Differding/Setzer) to amend the committee composition descriptors to use language that is more generic. For example, “*A representative from United Faculty*” would become “*A representative from the faculty union*”.**

**M/S/P (Graham/Differding) to extend the time to discuss the action item by 15 minutes.**

**M/S/F (Graham/Zambelli) to amend the process language related to the committee's duties to read “*Conduct preliminary interviews and recommend determine finalists to the Chancellor”.***

**M/S/P (Ford/Zambelli) to amend the process language related to the role of the Chancellor and Governing Board to read “*The Chancellor and Governing Board*”**

*committee shall conduct final interviews of only those candidates recommended by the committee.”*

**M/S/P (Ford/Zambelli) to recommend the proposed administrative procedure for selecting a college president as amended.**

**VI. INFORMATION**

**A. *Fall Plenary Resolutions***

Senators were provided copies of the proposed resolutions on the agenda for the Fall Plenary Session of the Statewide Academic Senate which will take place November 6 – 8, 2008. Michael Wangler and Nancy Jennings will be attending as the representatives of Cuyamaca College’s Academic Senate. Mike Wangler asked that the senators review the proposed resolutions and provide feedback prior to the meeting.

**VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS/PUBLIC COMMENT**

**Adjournment** – Academic Senate President Michael Wangler adjourned the meeting at 3:55 p.m.

Recorded by: Jessica Perry