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Regular Meeting

Thursday, March 27, 2008

MINUTES

PRESENT: G. Differding, K. Dudzik, J. Ford, S. Haber, L. Halstead, J. Hider, N. Keeley, C. Morrin, T. Nichols, T. Pagaard, P. Thiss, M. Wangler, K. Wergeland, T. Zambelli

ABSENT: G. Gomez, C. Hammond, T. Marshall

OTHERS: Mary Graham

The senate minutes are recorded and published in summary form. Readers of these minutes must understand that recorded comments in these minutes do not represent the official position of the Academic Senate. The Academic Senate expresses its official positions only through votes noted under "Action."

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/Pagaard) to approve the minutes of the meeting of March 13, 2008.

II. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

A. Budget Update

Jan Ford reported that the current state budget shortfall to the District for 2007-08 is \$1,300,000. Cuyamaca's share is \$301,000. To meet potential budget shortfalls for 2008-09, the college is preparing 3%, 5%, and 10% reduction budget scenarios in addition to the regularly proposed budget. Jan will continue to follow up with Dr. Perri regarding district budget reductions.

There was discussion on whether the class schedule would be reduced for fall, 2008. It was reported that department chairs have been in discussion with their respective deans concerning what classes could be added or eliminated from the class schedule if that becomes necessary.

B. Board Meeting Update

Jan Ford reported that she read to the Board the senate approved resolution on office hours for part-time faculty.

Jan also reported that the Chancellor announced his retirement date of June, 2009.

III. ACTION

A. Resolution on Work-to-Contract

M/S/P (Nichols/Haber) for Senate to approve the following resolution in support of United Faculty's Work-to-Contract:

Cuyamaca College Academic Senate & Grossmont College Academic Senate Joint Resolution in Support of Work-to-Contract

Whereas, the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges encourages local Academic Senates to work with their local bargaining groups on issues of shared concern;

Whereas, United Faculty (UF) and the Board of Trustees of the Grossmont-Cuyamaca Community College District have failed to reach a negotiated agreement for the 2006-07 and 2007-08 faculty contracts;

Whereas, the lack of a negotiated settlement adversely impacts the academic and professional environment;

Whereas, UF recommends that faculty withdraw from all work except primary duties (those with an "*" in faculty job descriptions) which may cause faculty to temporarily resign from shared governance committees, senate committees, and accreditation-related activities; and

Whereas, the local Academic Senates are the bodies that oversee the appointment of faculty to committees pursuing academic and professional matters;

Resolved, the Academic Senate of Cuyamaca College and the Academic Senate of Grossmont College support UF's call for faculty to work to contract;

Resolved, the Academic Senate of Cuyamaca College and the Academic Senate of Grossmont College will not appoint faculty to serve on committees during work-to-contract;

Resolved, the Academic Senate of Cuyamaca College and the Academic Senate of Grossmont College will honor faculty requests to temporarily stop committee service during work-to-contract, and will hold committee seats for current appointees until UF rescinds its call for work-to-contract.

B. Faculty Reception

M/S/P (Zambelli/Differding) to approve using \$150 from Senate funds for the Faculty Reception that will be held on April 25, 2008.

IV. INFORMATION

A. Basic Skills Plan

Mary Graham, Co-Chair of the Basic Skills Committee, distributed the Basic Skills Plan for Cuyamaca College developed by the Basic Skills Workgroup that includes 5 year goals as well as more specific plans for 2008-09. The goals and plans include organizational and administrative practices, program components, faculty and staff development, and instructional practices. Mary reported that these goals were a result of completing a comprehensive assessment of what the college is currently doing and what future needs will be. The plan for 2008-09 contains many of the planning activities presented by English, ESL, reading, and mathematics in their academic master plans as well as many activities contained in the program plans of the student services master plan.

B. Academic Senate for California Community College Spring Resolutions

Jan Ford distributed copies of the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges Spring Plenary Resolutions. Questions and concerns were expressed regarding Resolution 4.01 dealing with concurrent enrollment and how it's related to minors in the classroom and maintaining academic freedom in the classroom. There was also the concern of minors coming into an adult environment. Jan sent senators the links to the ASCCC website and resolutions to share with their constituents for input.

V. ADDITIONAL REPORTS

A. Vice President's Report

Academic Senate Vice President Michael Wangler provided an update on SOC committee appointments.

B. Other Reports

There were no other reports.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

Academic Senate President Jan Ford adjourned the meeting at 3:50 p.m.

Recorded by Gwen Nix