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ACADEMIC SENATE MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, March 26, 2009

- Present:** G. Differding, N. Jennings, N. Keeley, C. Morrin, A. Munoz, T. Nichols, B. Pescar, P. Setzer, M. Wangler, K. Wergeland, A. Zambelli
- Absent:** J. Campbell, E. Cardenas, K. Dudzik, D. Hajj, P. Thiss
- Guests:** Dr. Cindy Miles, Chancellor and Dave Raney, Co-chair of the Technology Plan Committee

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

Academic Senate President Michael Wangler called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m.

I. Approval of Minutes – Meeting(s) of February 26, 2009 & March 12, 2009

Minutes were not approved due to lack of quorum.

II. President's Report

A. Conversation with Dr. Cindy Miles

Michael Wangler introduced Dr. Miles and had the Senators introduced themselves. Dr. Miles introduced herself, thanked the group for participating in the Senate, and said she wanted feedback and open communication with Senate members. Michael opened the floor for a discussion period with the Chancellor.

Topics that were discussed included Dr. Miles higher education experience in other states, shared governance at the college and in the district, internal and external budget processes, and Senate-Governing Board relations.

B. Commencement Reception

M. Wangler reported that there will be a reception for faculty and staff following Commencement on June 4th at the Water Conservation Garden. The Academic Senate with co-sponsor the event with the President's Office. An action item to authorize Academic Senate funding for this event will be placed on a future agenda.

C. FTES Goals for 2009-10

M. Wangler handed out an FTES update for 2008-09 with revised information for Spring 2009, as well as a summary of the Districtwide FTES Goals for 2009-10.

D. Governing Board Update

M. Wangler handed out the approved Governing Board docket item outlining the composition and timeline for selecting the next college president. He noted that the timeline had been increased per the Academic Senate's request so that the public forums will occur early in the fall semester, with the new College President beginning in January 2010.

He reported that the Senate Officers appointed Pat Setzer and Donna Hajj to serve as the Senate representatives on the Search and Interview Committee. Michael also reported that he will be serving as the Faculty Co-chair of the Committee and that Lyn Neylon will be serving as the United Faculty representative on the Committee.

III. Vice President's Report

A. SOC Committee Appointments

Nancy Jennings reported the appointments of Michael Wangler, Glenn Thurman, and Steve Wienert to the Curriculum Committee. M. Wangler will be filling out the remainder of Duncan McGehee's term as the Science & Engineering representative and G. Thurman will begin his two-year term as the Science & Engineering representative in Fall 2009. S. Wienert will be replacing Courtney Hammond as the Liberal Arts representative and will begin his two-year term immediately.

IV. Committee Reports

A. Technology Plan Committee

Dave Raney, Co-chair of the Technology Planning Committee, handed out the Draft College Technology Plan for 2009-10. He highlighted college wide initiatives in the plan including the final phase of 'Smart' Classroom updates and the addition of document cameras to all classrooms by Fall 2009. M. Wangler encouraged Senators to read through the plan and share it with their constituency groups before the next Senate meeting as this item will be on the April 2nd Senate agenda for action.

B. Instructional Technology Council

M. Wangler announced that Pat Newman, Co –chair of the Instructional Technology Council, was not able to attend the meeting and her presentation would be moved to the April 2nd meeting.

V. Action Items

There were no action items.

VI. Information Items

A. Online Instructor Certification

Greg Differding handed out a revised proposal for certifying online instructors. He mentioned that there was some reorganization of the document and highlighted those changes. Senators discussed a variety of topics including training options and requirements, and whether or not faculty currently teaching online would be exempt.

Due to time constraints, further discussion on this topic was moved to an email format. M. Wangler will initiate the email discussion and will forward an electronic copy of the proposal to all Senators.

B. Curriculum Board Packet

M. Wangler presented a draft of the 2009-10 Curriculum Board Packet for discussion. He mentioned the 'pending' comments and stated that these items were scheduled for Curriculum Committee action on March 31st. Michael will distribute electronic copies to all Senators following the Curriculum Committee meeting on March 31st. This item will return for action at the April 2nd Senate meeting.

C. Accreditation Follow-up Report

M. Wangler presented a draft of the College Accreditation Follow-up Report for discussion. He mentioned that it was a response to the recommendations from the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC) derived from the college's 2007 Self Study. The newly established accreditation rules require that all recommendations be addressed within 2-years of the self study. The college had 3 items to respond to and all three were addressed in the follow-up report. This item will return for action at the April 2nd Senate meeting.

D. College Hours for 2009-10

M. Wangler presented the proposed college hours for the 2009-10 academic year. He explained the past criteria used by the Academic Senate for setting college hours. College hours should not affect any teaching block more than once a semester; they should be scheduled so that only one teaching block is affected on the day they are scheduled; and they should provide a balance between morning, afternoon and evening times.

Senators reviewed and discussed the proposed college hours, and it was suggested that the evening hour for each semester begin at 6:30 pm rather than 6 pm. This would allow instructors who teach 3 hour evening blocks to meet with their classes at 6 pm to provide instructions on college hour participation. This item will return for action at the April 2nd Senate meeting.

E. Shared Governance Councils & Committees

M. Wangler handed out an updated packet of the proposed changes to college councils and committees. He also handed out a proposed process for selecting faculty co-chairs of college councils and committees. There was much discussion and due to time constraints this item will be brought back for further discussion at the April 2nd Senate meeting.

F. MOU between the Academic Senates and United Faculty

This item was postponed until the April 2nd Senate meeting.

G. Spring Plenary Resolutions

M. Wangler provided a brief overview of the draft resolutions for the ASCCC Spring Plenary. Senators were encouraged to review the resolutions and distribute to their constituency groups. This item will return for action at the April 2nd Senate meeting.

VII. Announcements/Public Comment

There were no announcements or public comments

Adjournment - Academic Senate President Michael Wangler adjourned meeting at 3:50 p.m.

Recorded by: Joy Tapscott