



ACADEMIC SENATE MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, March 31, 2011

Present: Reem Asfour, Mary Asher Fitzpatrick, Chuck Charter, Guillermo Colls, Dan Curtis, Greg Differding, Kim Dudzik, Donna Hajj, Nancy Jennings, Jesus Miranda, Angela Nesta, Barbara Pescar, Jodi Reed, Jim Custeau for Don Schultz, Pat Setzer, Michael Wangler

Absent: Donna Riley

Guests: Debbie Justeson and Edwin Hiel, Governing Board Members

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

Michael called the meeting to order at 2:11pm.

I. Approval of Minutes

There were no minutes to approve

II. President's Report

A. Announcements

Information was provided about upcoming events and activities.

Michael announced that the next meeting would be four weeks away on April 28th. He also added that they may have to call a special Senate meeting on May 19th.

Michael stated that he would be adding one thing to President's report: E. Conversation with new Governing Board members.

Michael reminded everyone about the new President forums and encouraged everyone to attend. Michael asked Angela Nesta to talk to Connie Elder about videotaping these sessions. Michael stated that he would be in the audience at these forums rather than asking the questions.

Michael also said the college had received the ARCC report for 2011. Michael then introduced the new state senate membership card offering a new brochure along with the card to Senate members.

B. Budget Update

An update was provided on the status of budget and FTES projections for 2011-12.

Michael stated that the administration was now working on the assumption of a scenario 'B' or 'C' where cuts would be pretty deep and the summer schedule would be reduced by half.

C. Prerequisite Enforcement

An update was provided on the process for coming into compliance regarding the enforcement of prerequisites.

D. AP&IE Task Force Update

As a follow-up to the Academic Planning & Institutional Effectiveness Task Force report last week, an opportunity to debrief will be provided.

Michael reminded the Senate that this information had been presented at the last meeting and he wanted any feedback to come back to either he or Kathryn. He said that the group would be starting to meet weekly.

E. Conversation with new Governing Board members

Michael introduced Guests Debbie Justeson and Edwin Hiel from the Governing Board who joined the Senate meeting.

Ms. Justeson and Mr. Hiel answered questions from Senators on their concerns over curriculum alignment, budget allocation, and the disproportionate impact budgetary cuts had on Cuyamaca College. The board members expressed their support for Cuyamaca College, and their desire to work together to support faculty and students. Michael thanked the Board members for attending and then they thanked the Senate for inviting them.

III. Vice President's Report

A. SOC Committee Appointments

Nancy Jennings was to report on new faculty appointments to committees but stated she had nothing to report.

IV. Committee Reports

A. Curriculum Committee

Pat Setzer, Curriculum Committee Co-chair, provided an update on recent committee work, including progress on the annual Curriculum Board Packet, which was presented as a draft for discussion.

Pat said that this was his first year as Co-Chair of Curriculum Committee. He presented the board packet consisting of all the work that they had done during this academic year and stated there would be one more meeting with possibly a special meeting in addition to that adding that the final version would come to the Senate for action and then on to the Board for approval. He said he would go through the board packet and welcomed questions.

Pat started with course additions, went on to course modifications, and then on to programs. He added that they had one degree certificate addition and this was because of the budget and said they usually had a lot more but they could not expand the curriculum due to the budget.

Michael thanked Pat and said he would wait until the group finished their meetings and then would send out a version for Senate review that would go out before spring break.

V. Action

A. Outstanding Faculty Member Award

The Senate entertained a motion to approve the award name and the nomination & selection process for the new Outstanding Faculty Member Award.

M/S/U (Jennings/Differding) to approve the award name and the nomination & selection process for the new Outstanding Faculty Member Award with the agreement to take out the word 'member' from the award name.

Michael opened the floor for discussion and then stated that this award would be presented at the Fall Convocation. Pat Setzer added that either of these people – the Spring or Fall award recipients - could be Hayward Award nominees.

B. ASCCC Spring Plenary Resolutions

The Senate was given an opportunity to take action on any of the resolutions under consideration at the upcoming ASCCC 2011 Spring Plenary.

Michael said he was providing an opportunity to open the Senate floor to see if any items needed special attention, further discussion, or if a senate member wanted to take a stand on any of them.

There was a motion to support 8.01.

M/S/U (Hajj/Nesta).

Michael asked for a motion and Guillermo motioned to support 9.06.

M/S/U (Colls/Setzer)

Chuck Charter motioned to support 9.05 along with the accompanying amendments.

M/S/U (Charter/Colls)

There was a motion to approve 9.07 which determined repeatability.

M/S/U (Colls/Reed)

VII. Announcements/Public Comment

There were no announcements or public comment

The meeting adjourned at 3:50pm.

Recorded by Joy Tapscott