

Academic Senate Meeting
Thursday, October 5th, 2006
Minutes

Senate Officers Present: Kathryn Schoenrock, Becky Hull, Bob Porter, Lauri Moore

Senators Present: Terry Morris, Randy Ringen, Dave Oliver, Joe Selzler, Peter Sezzi, Nancy Mitchell, Ollie Powers, Bill Hendricks, Paula Munoz, Daniel Gonzalez, Mike Clark, Peter Sezzi, Dan Kumpf, Karen de la Pena

Emeritus: Edith Conn
Student: Chrystione Warren

I. Call to Order:

Meeting was called to order at 1:36

Ia. Changes in Agenda. The president tabled the presentation of Connie Jenkins, the AFT Chief Negotiator, as she had to reschedule the meeting. The president also asked the Senate if they would change the first November meeting to the second Thursday of the month (November 9th) as the Program Review Committee will be meeting on Thursday November 2nd. The president also tabled the Office Assignment Policy as Robin Calote was unable to come.

II. Approval of the Minutes

Minutes from the September 21st meeting were approved with three abstentions.

IIIa. Action Items: Letter protesting the process for writing proposals for Basic Skills and Immigrant Education One-time funds.

The president passed out and read a letter the executive committee drafted to the Senate in response to the Senate's request that the executive committee do so at the last meeting. A discussion of this issue followed. The Senate voted to send the letter forward with modifications.

IIIb. President's Report:

--Program Review. Some senators commented that the time commitment of the Program Review Committee is difficult to fit into faculties' schedules.

--Curriculum Committee. Wed October the 18th at @10:00 is the date that a demonstration for Curricanet software will be held. The president invited anyone who wishes to view the demonstration of this software that will replace our current curriculum software. The exact time and location of this meeting will be sent out as an email to all faculty.

--District Committee on Student Learning (DCSL): The president reported that Cal-Pass was presented at the last meeting. Cal-Pass, for free, creates databases that track high school students through community colleges and then through four-year universities. The president mentioned that Carolyn Inouye is scheduling a meeting with representatives

from Cal-Pass. The president suggested that any faculty interested in attending these meeting contact her and she will pass along the meeting times/locations.

IV. Treasurer's Report. Faculty Recognition night will be April 27th at the Poinsettia Pavilion.

V. Committee Reports

--Senate Elections. The vice-president reported on the status of upcoming Senate elections. A slate of candidates was passed out with the names of those intending to run for office. The vice president explained the electoral process to the council.

--Staffing Priorities Committee. A discussion ensued about the nature of the Staffing Priorities Committee and how this committee functions.

--Senate Bylaws Committee. The secretary reported on the status of rewriting the bylaws.

--Marketing Task Force. The vice-president reported on the development of the *Career Focus* magazine that will be sent out in spring 2007 for all three colleges. A discussion of marketing issues followed.

--Staff Development Committee. The president asked for volunteers for the Staff Development Committee as we are not receiving reports from this committee. No senators volunteered and it was agreed that an email should be sent soliciting volunteers for the Staff Development Committee. A discussion of this issue followed.

--The president passed out information regarding changes to the Associates Degree asked for feedback from

VI. New Business.

--Equivalency Policy. The vice president gave an update on developing an equivalency policy and asked for volunteers for a subcommittee on equivalency policy to move forward on this issue. A discussion of this issue followed.

VII. Items for Information/Discussion

--Service Learning. The secretary reported on the development of service learning at Ventura College and a discussion of this issue followed.

--Division Reports. Senators reported on various issues.

VII. The meeting was adjourned at 3:30