



ACADEMIC SENATE MINUTES

Thursday, March 16th, 2017 1:00 p.m. Board Room

ATTENDANCE

Senators

Eyob Wallano
Jerome Evans
Andree Valdry
Mandeda Uch
Nikki Williams
Paul Flor
Kent Schwitkis
Pamela Richardson
Amber Gillis
Shirley Thomas
Essie French-Preston

Visitors

Minodora Moldoveanu
Tricia Stoddard
Aurora Cortez- Perez
Eckko Blake
Dr. Ikaweba Bunting
Syria Purdom
Arnette Edwards

I. CALL TO ORDER – Paul Flor 1:06 p.m.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Evans/Schwitkis- Approved

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Schwitkis/ Wallano- Approved

IV. REPORTS

President's Report- Paul Flor reporting.

- Accreditation Steering Committee- The committee discussed what was positive about the accreditation team visit and what needs to occur from this point forward. The primary recommendation that is being made is to make the accreditation self-study an ongoing and fluid process and Jennifer Hill is the custodian of the evidence and will be updating it as we are working on it through the year. Attached in the Senate packet is information on what has been accomplished in the past few years. The commission may release the findings and its recommendation almost immediately after the commission gets the findings. This may be right around graduation.
- In the Senate packet- We need to hold Senate elections. We need to replace certain area senators who are missing some senators. There are 6 areas that have openings for the spring elections. If there is a competition for the senator's seat, then elections need to be held within the department. Once we have a new list of senators, we will elect a new executive board for anyone who would like to be part of the executive board. Pamela Richardson has taken over the senate position left vacant by Philip Yaghmai in the Career and Technical Education area.
- Improving communication on the flow of committee members. The role of the senators is to provide information to their departments. There is discussion of having summits from different areas to help disseminate information to faculty.
- Bailey Smith asked to remind the body of the Leadership Conference.

- IEPI workshop on Strong Workforce- Flor would like a list of names of anyone that would like to attend. He would like to have representation at this workshop. It costs \$50 and you will be reimbursed if you attend.
- Halligan attended college council at Torrance- Dr. Maloney's College Council was absolutely thrilled about the results of the accreditation visit.
- Spring Plenary- Halligan will be representing us in San Mateo. Spring plenary is farther away so we only send one person.
- Reminder about the available conferences- Conference on online teaching and the Curriculum Institute in July.
- May 4-5 Academic Senate is hosting a non-credit workshop.

Vice President- Christopher Halligan

- Report given in the President's Report

Board Representative – Jerome Evans reporting

- Molina Health Center will have the grand opening on the March 21st.
- Tom Henry is no longer the trustee- the position is vacant and they are looking for a replacement.
- One of the recommendations that was made by the visiting team is that all campus committees need to take very good minutes. Evans had a discussion with one of the accreditation team members and he stated that this was one of the most wonderful visits that he has ever been on.

Accreditation: Amber Gillis reporting.

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V. ACTION ITEMS-UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Compton Curriculum Handbook: French-Preston asked for feedback. She asked that we take a look at the composition of the areas to be represented on the committee and see what feedback you can provide on this. French-Preston discussed the plans that we need to have in place to go forward with our curriculum committee. She asked that we take a look at the standards. Flor is setting a due date of the end of March as the date for feedback to be sent to him. Our first meeting in April will have a motion to adopt the handbook. Schwitkis asked what the process of change is once the handbook is adopted. Flor stated that this will happen through the Curriculum Committee. French-Preston asked for us to go through the process outlined in the handbook so we are familiar with it.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- Community College Success Measure (CCSM)-Frank Harris III- who is part of CCEAL- The Community College Equity Assessment Lab presented. He works closely with community colleges to study the experiences of men of color. There were four focus groups that convened in fall 2016. He presented demographic information on the focus groups that were studied. There were 6 salient thematic categories that responses fell under. Harris III discussed what each of the categories interprets itself as and a sampling of the responses of the students involved in the focus group. Some of the things that they saw on our campus that they may not normally see- students here are having really positive relationships with their faculty and there is a real sense of belonging in the campus.

He stated that he is happy to return after they have completed their report on the data to discuss it further.

VII. Information- Discussion Items

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VIII. Events/Meetings

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MOTION TO ADJOURN – Approved–2:02 p.m.