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| Academic Senate Committee Minutes | | | |
| september 24, 2013 | | 11:00-11:50 a.m. | L 246 |
| note taker | respectfully submitted by Caree Lesh & angie Arietti | | |
| Attendees | Andrade-Robledo, Margarita | Horlor, Barry | ~~Preciado, David~~ |
| Beach, Randy | Jones, Linda | Quan, Nghiep |
| Bloch, Maya | Lesh, Caree | Rempt, Andrew |
| Brenner, Susan | Lewis, John | Salahuddin, Sheri |
| Carberry, Ed | ~~Lucas, Yvonne~~ | Speyrer, Michael |
| Caschetta, Todd | ~~Maag, Eric~~ E | Stuart, Angelina |
| Davis, J.D. | Martinez-Sanabria, Maria E. | Tyahla, Sandy |
| Detsch, Steven | McAneney, Danielle | Villegas, Val |
| ~~Edwards-LiPera, Diane~~ E | Moore, Ryan | Whitsett, Jessica |
| Flores-Charter, Patti | Mossadeghi, Yasmin | Wolniewicz, Rebecca |
| Hayashi, Chris | ~~Orozco, Alejandro~~ | Yonker, Susan |
| Hopkins, Kesa | Pollock, Lynn | Zinola, Lauren |
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| GUEST/s | Kathy Tyner | Josue Arredondo |  |
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| Names in red indicate AS Executive committee members. | | |  |
| **Call to order; Approval of Agenda (Action Item)** | | | randy beach |
| Discussion | The meeting was called to order at 11:02 a.m. by the Academic Senate President, Randy Beach. | | |
| Action items | | | |
| Approval of the agenda. The motion passed. M/S/C | | | |
| **Public Comment (Information Item)** | | | randy beach |
| Discussion | Maria E. Martinez-Sanabria spoke. Two weeks ago she downloaded data from data dashboard and it is completely different today so please be sure to check that your data is correct before you do your program review. There is also a concern that the Evaluations Office is behind in evaluating certificates that students have applied for back in spring or summer, so this is being pushed back to November. There is concern that these won’t be counted because Evaluations hasn’t had time to review them. | | |
| **Approval of Minutes from 09/17/1 (Action Item)** | | | randy beach |
| Action items | | | |
| Approval of Minutes from 09/17/13. M/S/C. | | | |
| Discussion | No discussion. | | |
| **President’s Report (Report)** | | | randy beach |
| Discussion | The President’s report is available on SharePoint.  Highlights include:  There is a Governing Board meeting tonight at 6:15 p.m. in room 214. A MOU is being put up about an agreement for a partnership with Maritime Institute, the Ministry of the state of Qatar, and EC English. EC English is a private company in La Jolla who teaches ESL.  Feasibility of the corner lot study will be looked at tonight by the Governing Board. Recommendations were to reconsider including significant conference space and to reconsider the 900-seat performing arts center in favor of something smaller.  AB 955 is a bill on the Governor’s desk to pilot a program at six community colleges to pay full cost of their classes during summer and intersession.  AB 86 puts out 25 million in grants for Adult education consortiums. SWC meeting with Grossmont-Cuyamaca and Sweetwater Unified to talk about if there is interest in doing something collaboratively.  Randy still needs committee members, and some committees cannot act without quorum. | | |
| **SCEA Report (Report)** | | | eric maag |
| Discussion | Eric was not present to give his report. | | |
| **Senate By-Laws (Discussion/2nd Read)** | | | randy beach |
| Discussion | We are required to approve our by-laws every year. Some grammatical changes were sent in. Other changes are substantial and will be discussed. Language was added regarding part-time faculty. We want to be inclusive, but also clear about what full-time and part-time faculty jobs are. Part-time senators are voting members at the Academic Senate, so please be sure to take a close look at that section before our vote. Most Senate committees will be changed to include one voting part-time faculty member, but not have that person’s seat count for quorum. The state-wide Senate is encouraging local Senates to have conversations about the inclusion of part-time faculty in senate business.  Parliamentary Rules do not include vote of confidence, so language in this area was cleaned up.  It was suggested that Title 5 language be added to the by-laws about part-time rights. It was then suggested we quote the entire section of Title 5 and refer to AB 1725. It was stated that some of the committees are extremely small on the standing committees and subcommittees. The Professional Relations Committee would not be appropriate to have part-time faculty members on this committee. There may also be other committees that may not be good for part-timers to sit on.  It needs to be added to the language that if the person is not there or the seat is vacant that quorum will continue.  It was stated that we are sugar coating this and part-time labor is exploited. On the other hand, all part-timers are not all equal quality. Because of all of these circumstances, many do not have the ability to serve on committees. If we start getting research about where money needs to go, the great solution is fewer part-timers and more  full-timers. We do not want to give the idea that part-time work is a career. | | |
| **APRC & IPRC Update (Report)** | | | rebecca Wolniewicz/angelina stuart |
| Discussion | The APRC has met twice this year and has not met quorum. They need to pass some items in order to continue with the Academic Program Review process. They need someone from Language & Literature, Continuing Education, Economic & Workforce Development, HEC Center and ISS. If next time they meet they do not have a quorum they will have to bring the work to the Academic Senate. They meet 1st and 3rd Wednesday from 1:00-2:00 p.m. Angie does the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays for IPRC. Without these committees, we cannot complete our work for accreditation. IPRC needs one faculty at large. This committee works on integrated planning. Please contact Angie if you have any questions concerning IPRC.  Academic Program Review is due Nov 1st. We are waiting on data and eLumen had some data issues, but sometime early this week we will have the ISLO reports. If you are doing comprehensive review this semester, call Rebecca and she can help you find information.  Please go back to your departments and see who is volunteering on committees and who might be a good fit for these committees. This is a good place to help improve program review.  They are working on merging the two positions into one and they are also working on program discontinuance procedures, specifically if all the faculty in a department agree they will be able to fast track the process.  This committee will provide evidence to ACCJC that we have integrated budget planning.  It is suggested we get a list of all Senate subcommittee and their meeting days and times. | | |
| **Campus Climate Survey (Discussion)** | | | randy beach |
| Discussion | Randy showed us the campus climate survey that was presented to the SCC. Results show that over the last four surveys from fall 2010 on, we see that supervisors promote trust and respect have remained fairly stable. The Governing Board confidence has plummeted. People did agree that we are talking more about student learning. Budget processes have noted changes, but we have lost confidence in knowing how the budget is developed. There was a decline in how people are seeing institutional leaders. Discussion focused on past problems with negotiations as contributing to a decline in morale and a heavier workload being placed on the remaining full-time faculty in order to meet accreditation obligations and statewide initiatives. Suggestions included improved budget development transparency and improved funding for student support services such as online learning support, tutoring and library services. | | |
| **Adjournment** | | | Randy beach |
| Discussion | The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m. | | |
| The next Academic Senate meeting: Tuesday, October 8, 2013 | | | |