

**Academic Senate Meeting Minutes Revised
October 8, 2001 2:30-4:30 PM, Carriage House**

Members Present:

President:	Larry Rouse 01	Counseling:	Victoria Taketa 01
Vice President:	Marilyn McDonald 01	CTIS:	Greg McIlhiney 02
Treasurer:	Roxanne Mendrinos 01	Fine Arts:	Robert Hartwell 02
Curic Co-Chair:	Verley O'Neal 02	Language Arts:	Rich Morasci 02
I of I Chair:	Mike McHargue 02		Paul Starer 02
Adaptive Learning:	Bea Cashmore 01	Library Sciences:	Roxanne Mendrinos 02
At Large Fac:	Marilyn McDonald 02	PE & Human Perf.:	Irv Ploke 02
Bio & Health Sci.:	Phyllis Spragge 02		Ron Oburn 02
	Bonnie Le Pape 03	Phys. Sci. & Math:	Doli Bambhania
Business & Soc. Sci:	Bill Tinsley 01		Lori Silverman
	Dolores Peterson 02	Student Liaison:	

Members Absent:

None

1. Call to Order:

Larry Rouse called the meeting to order at 2:30.

2. Approval of Minutes:

M/S/C Minutes were deferred.

3. Approval of Consent Calendar

Motion Approved for consent calendar.

Paul Starer – Co- Chair – IPC Committee

At Large Faculty were approved to serve on Tenure Review Committees are as follows:

1. **Najwa Jardali** of the Language Arts department is flexible to serve on a tenure review committee.
2. **April Flowers** of the Language Arts department is flexible to serve on a tenure review committee.
3. **Janice Carr** will serve on Janet Spybrook's tenure review committee.

4. Committee Reports and Announcements

a. District Budget

McDonald reported that the state budget is still in flux and that the Governor has until October 14 2001 to reinstate the \$ 98 million dollars in Instructional Equipment and Library Materials. Overall the District budget is very fluid with an anticipated positive surplus of \$200,000 expected at the end of this fiscal year.

The district expected a 10 million loss for the 2000-2001 fiscal year. As of June 30th, the District rolled over a positive 11 million dollar surplus to this year's budget. Concern was raised that community colleges in the state roll over an average of 15% of their budget from year to year and then ask the legislature for increased funding. There is a perception in the legislature that Community Colleges are not spending the money that they are allotted each year and thus, do not need additional funding. These concerns were reported to the President.

b. Foothill Sentinel

Drew Dara-Abrams, the student representative for the Foothill Sentinel, invited all faculty

interested in submitting an opinion piece of 500-1000 words to contact the Foothill Sentinel Office. Drew informed us that the first Sentinel issue will be published October 22, 2001.

c. **Mini State of the College**

Bernadine Chuck-Fong provided a mini State of the College. A brief summary follows.

1. **SB735**

Senate Bill SB735 is proposing \$98 million to be reinstated to community colleges statewide. That would be \$3 million for our district, also there is 1.6 million in capital outlay funds for the Center of Innovation. If Foothill receives this money then Foothill can release the Measure E money, it has allotted for equipment and chairs for the Center of Innovation for another purpose.

2. **Foothill College's Revenue and Expenses**

With regards to the 11 million dollar district surplus, Bernadine responded that much of that money had been encumbered for equipment and supplies that have been ordered. Foothill rolled over 20% of its B budget while De Anza rolled over 62% of its B Budget. The President stated that there has been a significant back log of orders in the purchasing department.

3. **Mobile Offices**

Bernadine reported that the mobile offices in parking Lot 5 will be available in late October early November. Faculty will begin moving to the portable offices while their office space is being renovated. John Mummert (ext.7033) is the person to contact regarding any concerns about the mobile offices.

4. **Parking Lot issues**

The president has requested that faculty members do not park in student lots and that students should not park in faculty lots. There is a concern that students have enough parking spots to support the increase in enrollment that is needed for increased revenue to the college.

5. **Enrollment**

Enrollment is up 5 1/2 % at this time. Online course student enrollments are up from 2800 students last year to 3800 students this year.

6. **Staff House**

Bernadine requested that all faculty and staff support the tearing down of the staff house. It would cost \$500,000 to move the Staff House to another location. Betty Lohman, the previous owner of the staff house supports the removal. She is an avid theater supporter and is pleased that the new small campus theater to be located in the new Student Services building will be named after her family, as a remembrance of their presence on the property before Foothill was built. Faculty expressed concern regarding the movement of the Faculty Association offices and it is hoped that the district will provide other space for the Faculty Association.

7. **Seismic Safety**

Foothill College is eligible for state funding for buildings requiring repairs for seismic safety. However, at the present time, state funding for all projects for seismic safety do not exist. The budget for seismic safety can be reinstated by a state bond measure for this explicit purpose.

8. Partnership for Excellence Funding

Exciting projects are being revised to see if goals were met. Some Partnership for Excellence dollars might be re-allocated if projects have not met their goals.

9. Student Campus Center

Bernadine is looking at all possibilities of how to finance the building of the new Student Campus Center if state funding is not available. One thought is to increase the student's campus center fees or refinancing the campus center through food services and bookstore revenues. State funding will not include rebuilding Food Services or Bookstore facilities.

d. District Board Meeting

Larry Rouse reported that Foothill Childcare faculty were recognized for their many years of contribution. Foothill's most current Measure E plans were also presented.

e. President's Round table

Larry Rouse reported that Bernadine Fong stated at the college Roundtable that available college funds were considerably less at this time compared to last years fund availability. \$450,000 remains in for a contingency fund.

f. Other

1. Block Scheduling

McDonald, Starer and Tinsley discussed block scheduling and how it affects enrollment, facilities and parking. One disadvantage mentioned is that block scheduling may preclude faculty from serving on committees held in the afternoon. The committee is open to all suggestions.

5. Old Business

a. Board Policy Revision- 9128

Larry Rouse requested any problems that affect the college such as notification of hazardous on campus should be taken to the proper college officials and not to be taken to the Board directly. The board is the court of last resort not first resort. A written summary of all agenda items to be included by the public must first be submitted to the Chancellor in writing with the name of person and organization he/she is representing.

Senate members voiced concern that any agenda item submitted by a member of the public and heard at a public meeting cannot be resubmitted by the member of the public before the expiration of a 90 day period following the initial submission. Concern was raised that if the Board did not want to act or respond to an item, the public would have to wait 90 days before resubmission. It was agreed that the Board would act as a public service body and if an item was of extreme interest would not table it for 90 days.

b. Sentinel Resolution

Larry Rouse lead a vote to draft a resolution for the Foothill Sentinel and the motion was approved by 16 Yes votes. There was one No vote. Faculty were instructed to take the resolution back to their divisions for input. Discussion will follow at the next Senate Meeting.

6. New Business

a. Augmentation of Scheduling/Calendar Committee

Larry Rouse reported that the following divisions were in need of faculty members to serve on the Scheduling/Calendar committee. Representation should include members from the following divisions not represented as yet.

1. Adaptive Physical Education
2. Math and Physical Science-
- 3.. Fine Arts

4. CTIS
5. Physical Education

7. Committee Members &/Or Ratification Needed

There is a need for an Academic Council member.

8. Hearings

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 PM.