

**Academic Senate Meeting Minutes
Foothill College Academic Senate
February 11, 2002 2:30-4:30 PM**

President: Larry Rouse 02
Vice President: Charlotte Thunen 02
Treasurer: Roxanne Mendrinos 03
Curric. Co-Chair: Verley O'Neal 02
I of I /TLC Chair: Mike McHargue 02
Adaptive Learning: Bea Cashmore 03
At Large Fac: Marilyn McDonald 02
Bio & Health Sci: Phyllis Spragge 02
Bonny LePape 03
Business & Soc. Sci: Bill Tinsley 02
Dolores Peterson 02
Counseling: Victoria Taketa 02
CTIS: Greg McIlhiney 01
Fine Arts: Robert Hartwell 02
Language Arts: Rich Morasci 02
Paul Starer 01

Library Sciences: Charlotte Thunen 02
PE & Human Perf: Irv Ploke 02
Ron Oburn 02
Phys Sci & Math: Lori Silverman 03
Doli Bambhania
Student Liaison: Michael Kwan 02

Members Absent:
Roxanne Mendrinos
Verley O'Neal

Guests:
John Mummert
Michael Kwan
Karen Gillette

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Rouse called the meeting to order at 2:38 PM.
2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Minutes from February 4 and January 14 and 28th approved as amended approved as amended.
3. **APPROVAL CONSENT CALENDAR:** no items
4. **COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:**
 - a. Chancellor's Advisory Council - Rouse & Thunen reported that the Chancellor wants to hold \$6 million over and above the 5% reserve to mitigate a possible shortfall in 2002. The decision to hold back classified float not used for replacement was discussed and criticized for the lack of process.
 - b. Board Budget Mtg. - Rouse, Thunen, McDonald - deferred
 - c. Ed Resources - McDonald Rouse reported that the cuts came from the Divisions and were adequate to meet Foothill's requirement.
 - d. ETAC - discussion deferred
 - e. District Budget - McDonald reported that the committee was concerned about lack of process in the decision re classified float. The loss of B budget to the colleges is estimated at \$62k for Foothill and \$200k for DAC.

- f. President's Roundtable - McHargue reported on the presentation re transfer and articulation agreements between in and out of state colleges and universities.

5. **OLD BUSINESS**

- a. Senate Goals: Rouse - deferred
- b. Academic Rank - The senate voted on three plans for assigning academic rank. Plan B - the plan that made all faculty associate professor upon completion of tenure was approved. This is the plan that DAC Senate approved in 2001. Rouse will present the plan to the Board. McDonald and Rouse will work with personnel to assign academic rank for the faculty to be included in the catalogue. See attached.
- c. Commencement. - Thunen and Tinsley asked the Senators to poll their constituents as to what time they would like to have commencement. Thunen announced that Bernadine stated it cannot be between 1 and 4 PM due to the sun and warm weather on the field, and it cannot be at Flint Center because the attendance is too large for that venue. It can be on Friday either in the morning or in late afternoon. Senators asked that a snack be provided for faculty who are attending the 7 PM commencement in 2002. Co-Sponsoring this event was discussed. Decisions on the time must be made this spring. Senators will report at the next meeting on February 25th.

Tinsley reported on the selection process for faculty speakers. It was suggested that the students interview the nominated candidates rather than ask them to fill out a form. It was acknowledged that the students might not know the nominated faculty.

Tinsley announced the suggested featured speakers for the 2002 commencement. Senators suggested that speaking ability was important and it would be helpful if someone had heard the nominated speakers before final selection.

- d. Final Resolution +/- Grading: Rouse asked the Senators to vote on the issue, so he can present it to the Board. The students on both campuses do not seem to support mandatory +/- grading.

Motion: The Foothill Academic Senate recommends that the Board adopt +/- grading with the understanding that there be uniformity of opportunity, not uniformity of application. M/S/C

6. **NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. Measure E - Safety Issues & Aesthetic Port-Potties John Mummert reported on the Bricks Project, which should be completed by June, as well as the student parking lots two and three this must be finished by opening day 2002. Safety issues are still unresolved. One-way loop road may not remain as is. Upgraded

Porta-Potties will be available in the Portables. A model office will be available soon for faculty view and comment on the furniture in portable 5981. All the furniture and offices will be the same throughout the campus. A request was made to allow employees of the District and community members to purchase the surplus furniture similar to the system used at PAUSD where the taxpayers who originally paid for the furniture are able to buy it back at a reasonable price.

- b. 21st Century Learning Outcomes - Karen Gillette discussed concern she had with the Core Competencies and with a perceived burden on students and faculty to implement outcomes based assessment. It was mentioned that the new Accreditation Standards are also outcomes based and that the 21st Century Learning Outcomes is still a work in progress.
- c. The Senate Newsletter will be produced by Kurt Gravenhurst while he is on sabbatical. Senators were asked to contribute items to Kurt ASAP. For the winter and spring newsletter.

7.COMMITTEE MEMBERS &/OR RATIFICATIONS:

Roxanne Mendrinos was ratified to serve on the Internet Use Committee
Larry Rouse will serve on Jay Padyk's tenure review committee
Irv Ploke was ratified to serve on Buildings and Grounds Committee

7. HEARINGS -None

8. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 4:45 PM.