

**Foothill College Academic Senate Minutes
May 5, 2003 2:30 - 4:30 p.m., Carriage House**

President:	Larry Rouse 03	CTIS:	Bob Cormia 04
Vice President:	Verley O'Neal 03	Fine Arts:	Robert Hartwell 03
Treasurer:	Roxanne Mendrinis 03	Language Arts:	Paul Starer 03
Curric. Co-Chair:	Shirley Barker 03		April Flowers 04
I of I /TLC Chair:	Mike McHargue 03	Library Sciences:	Roxanne Mendrinis 04
Adaptive Learning:	Bea Cashmore 04	PE & Human Perf:	Irv Ploke 03
At Large Fac:	Larry Miller 04		Dixie Macias 04
Bio & Health Sci:	Eloise Orrell 03	Phys Sci & Math:	Lori Silverman 03
	Bonny LePape 03		Patrick Morriss 04
Business & Soc. Sci:	Bill Tinsley 03	Student Liaison	Javad Aghamiri 03
	Dolores Peterson 04		
Counseling:	Davida Lee 04		

2:30 **1. CALL TO ORDER**

2:35 **2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes were approved subject to editing.

2:40 **3. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR**

Dolores Davison Peterson was approved to sit on the Commencement Committee

ACTION

2:45 **4. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENT**

a. Committee

3:00 **5. OLD BUSINESS**

- a. Javad Aghamiri informed the Senate that ASFC had made a decision not to choose a faculty speaker for commencement. A concern was expressed about the number of faculty actually informed of the speaking opportunity. A motion was passed to have a Senate member sit on the committee to pick a faculty speaker. It was hoped that Javad would revisit the decision to select from the faculty speakers with AFSC this year and to begin a new and agreed upon process by both AFSC and the Senate for next years Commencement.
- b. Bill Patterson has done research on plus / minus grading, and determined that there is a negligible affect on student GPA. Lois Callahan, interim chancellor, has indicated that the District should resolve this by year-end.

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6. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Bernadine Fong addressed the Senate regarding Larry Rouse's leave and impact on the Senate. Verley O'Neal, Vice President, will serve as acting President until Larry's return.
- b. Kathy Kinner, nurse practitioner, briefed the senate with regard to the SARS epidemic and concern over students traveling to affected areas. The Santa Clara County Health Department has issued guidelines for evaluating possible infections. Students who have traveled to affected areas, and become ill with 100.4-degree fever, should be referred to the health office. Asymptomatic students who have traveled to affected areas should not be removed from classes, nor discouraged from attendance.
- c. In the upcoming election Bill Tinsley will canvas the faculty for Senate officer candidates. Ballots will be counted on June 2nd, 3rd, and 4th, with an announcement at the Senate retreat on June 6th. New officers will attend.
- d. Retreat issues include Senate restructuring for the next year, academic issues, and having younger faculty running for office. The goals of the Senate for next year are a key issue to be discussed at the retreat. Verley O'Neal has suggested that officers should include a President, President elect, and past president. For the following year we will continue with President, Vice President, and Treasurer. A major part of the retreat will be to discuss and hear how each division is being affected by the budget cuts and how to determine ways to empower the Senate and faculty to have greater input into the process for next year's budget.
- e. Dolores Petersen was added to the consent calendar to serve on the faculty speaker committee.
- f. Cheating continues to be an important issue for all divisions. A standard protocol for handling cheating, in addition to the academic honor code, would be helpful in creating a uniform response to cheating. Select members and Deans will be invited to the next Senate meeting to address the issues of cheating and to inform the Senate of problems in the process.

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- b. **COMMITTEE MEMBERS &/OR RATIFICATION NEEDED**
IPC needs seven committee members.

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8. HEARINGS

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