

Academic Senate Minutes
February 10th, 2014

Members present: Dolores Davison (President), Isaac Escoto (Vice-President/CCC Chair), Robert Cormia (Secretary/Treasurer), Katherine Schaefer (Adjunct Faculty), Jamie Orr (Adjunct Faculty), Carolyn Holcroft (BHS), Roseann Berg (BHS), Lisa Drake (BSS), Eta Lin (BSS), Tobias Nava (CNSL), Isaac Escoto (CNSL), Janis Stevenson (FA), Kate Jordahl (FA), Don MacNeil (KA), Scott Lankford (LA), Rich Morasci (LA), Mary Thomas (LRC), Patrick Morriss (PSME), David Marasco (PSME), Meredith Heiser (FA Liaison), Nick Hughes (Student liaison), Craig Gawlick (Classified Liaison)

Announcements: Physics show performed last weekend, and Dolores commented that it was awesome. The show sells tickets to the general public, rents school buses, busses in kids who tour of campus, the physics department. A dozen schools were here middle schools and grammar schools. There was a comment that we'd love advance notice so more faculty, staff and their families could attend as well.

Robert Cormia attended the 2014 State of the Valley Index on February 7th, and reported some recent data and trends. Silicon Valley added 100,000 jobs last year, the highest since 2000 - these jobs will stay. 15,000 patents added. Northern CA 80% of CA venture money, 40% of all funds. Average household income is \$107K, and average home price was \$750K in Silicon Valley, \$850K in Santa Clara. From the 2010 census data, Hispanics grew 43% in Northern CA, blacks much less, growing Asian population, white population is flat. Estimation of 175K undocumented in Silicon Valley, and 1 in 7 people have an undocumented parent. What's not to like in these data?

- Growing income gap
- Housing shortage
- Transportation

Addressing income equality was a major theme at the event. Sal Khan, Manual Foster, Gavin Newsome were all keynote speakers. This will also be discussed at an upcoming equity meeting (Thursday).

Scott talked about campus abroad, which is being launched again, in London for Fall 2014. Scott Lankford and Milissa Carey will be the two faculty members teaching. Patrick Morriss talked about the challenge in getting math people into campus abroad. Scott talked about having economics as a study abroad. There was a brief discussion about content in the location where campus abroad is being held. There were comments that the program is hard for sequence courses, we will agenzize the discussion of getting students into sequence courses.

Agenda approved by consensus (Judy Miner did not attend the meeting and that item was removed)

Approval of the minutes from January 27th: There was a comment about supplemental instruction, one position being interim, and one being tenure track. The faculty hire this year will be tenure track. The minutes were approved with comments/corrections about the faculty position.

The consent calendar was approved unanimously.

Carolyn Holcroft has been named to serve on the common core standards committee. Kate Jordahl and Isaac Escoto attended the accreditation institute and Rose Ann Berg received a scholarship to the Academic Senate Academy.

President's report: FHDA BoT met last week in a three hour study session. There was significant discussion about the Flint Center parking garage. Most of the discussion was facilities related. The District office will stay in the current location. The Onizuka (future FHDA educational center) footprint was expanded but lost the third floor due to rising construction costs. The Board talked about the legislative principles for the year, Measure C projects, and the citizens bond oversight reported out.

Elections update: there are a number of faculty who are interested in the Senate president position. Every year there is a part-time election. Take home message is let's get some part-time candidates.

Academic Senate program review, comments from senators and their division faculty have been incorporated, and the program review was unanimously approved.

Accreditation update. There was a two day event down in La Jolla. Every college but Sierra College got good news from ACCJC. Almost every college that was dropped down has improved; ACCJC denied CCSF's appeal, commenting on missing data/documents. CCSF is still trying to move out of (sanctioned) Dolores will go to their senate meeting next month. There is a lot of activity going on at CCSF. Isaac talked about the need to track students after transfer/graduation, etc. and how difficult that is. Dolores commented that there may be separate teams sent for districts than for colleges. The new accreditation standards will go into effect the moment they are approved. So if they are approved in June 2014, our October 2014 report is going to be very difficult to prepare, with last minute standards assessment, etc.

Committee report - four faculty are going to Jacksonville to present a white paper (Academic Integrity)

APM hasn't met, and COOL is meeting on the 25th, and now working on the spring showcase. Commencement met and talked about regalia days in about a month or so. There was a comment that when a topic is mentioned a number of times in various venues, such as commencement, that it becomes important. There were some comments about a scholarship for graduation robes. Be on the lookout for an announcement on the 8th and 9th of March. We have a new student representative for the quarter, Nick Hughes. There was a question asked about getting boiler plate info to help promote commencement.

Curriculum - Bernie came by and spoke about the honors program. If there's a course that you would like to be an honors course, contact Bernie. If you have a program that needs to get into a GE pattern, the deadline is March 1st. Curriculum sheets are due to the office of instruction by March 3rd. There was a question about whether new course deadlines should be brought forward in the calendar. Program review deadlines would still be the same. There was a discussion about all the calendars. Layout the full

cycle so that people can understand why the deadlines are where they are. Equity committee passed out a flyer for events that would be held on April 18th. Estela Mara Bensimon will be here, please save that date. Equity committee will meet from 2:30 to 4 p.m. this Thursday afternoon in the Altos Room.

PaRC approved a number of templates, administrative program review, talked about the educational master plan. We heard that we'll lose \$1.6M in annual funding for being under cap. Facilities update - no 3rd floor on the FHDA Education Center (Onizuka). There were comments on the word mapping of President Miner's vision statement. We were one of only four colleges that received a commendation in our accreditation report for our student involvement. Professional development - another great opportunity on Friday March 7th from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on reading apprenticeship. For discipline, and non-discipline, faculty to learn more about how students work with, master or challenge, reading assignments. Professional Development committee meets tomorrow (Tuesday) at 9 a.m. in Altos Room. Could Senate provide funds for lunch for a Professional Development event? Or a proclamation of support from the Senate? There was a question whether Senate can also pay honorarium to speakers at these events.

For the good of the order - students talked about the March in March event in Sacramento, and could students come to classes to pass out fliers? Some students will be going on legislative visits. Students at the march will write an essay on why they would want to advocate. Hannah talked about food donation. Richard Morasci asked about room locks. Eta talked about bracelets for free HIV and STD testing.

Meeting Adjourned at 3:50 pm