

Academic Senate
MINUTES
March 19, 2008
3:00 - 5:00 p.m. BC214

Members Present: Armando Arias, Susan Broderick, Cathie Carroll, Jack Friedlander, Tom Garey, David Gilbert, Kelly Lake, Ray Launier, Linda Lowell, Kathy Molloy (Chair), Kim Monda, Marcy Moore, Elida Moreno, Mimi Muraoka, Dean Nevins, Kathy O'Connor, Jan Schultz, Ana María Ygualt, Oscar Zavala

Members Excused: Ignacio Alarcón, Tom Fitzgerald, Dan Wrentmore

Guest(s): Rhys Alvaredo (Channels reporter), Laura Castro, Diane Kiino-Rodriguez

1.0 Call to Order

- 1.1 Approval of agenda – so approved
- 1.2 Approval of minutes 2-13-08 – so approved w/correction
- 1.3 Approval of minutes 2-27-08 – so approved

2.0 Information

2.1 Presidential Search Update

The acting chair, Kathy Molloy, reported that Senate President Alarcón is on a delayed return flight from a presidential search site visit with Des O'Neill and Liz Auchincloss.

2.2 Senate Calendar (for remainder of the semester)

The two meetings in April were discussed. Why not have the meeting April 30 and Steering April 23? The senate president and EVP need to attend the faculty/staff retirement event on April 30.

2.3 Other

Ms. Molloy wanted everyone to know that Eric Borlaug, former Student Senate President and Academic Senate student representative, was on campus and said hello!

3.0 Hearing/Discussion

3.1 Mission Statement

The white copy, grey copy and agenda copy are the same versions. John Romo made suggestions and comments found in the grey handout. He would like the “student centered core values” (last paragraph) first on the list and stated there was no mention of sustainability or civic responsibility in the draft Mission statement.

The Senate word-smithed the draft copy found in the yellow handout.

- first paragraph add civic responsibility after "...lifelong learning"

3.2 College Plan 2008 – 2011

ITC submitted some recommendations; P&R and ESD have provided their input to the College Plan. All recommendations/suggestions were discussed, and the discussion will be continued next meeting.

3.3 Self Study for Accreditation

A recommendation was made to put out a campus wide call to faculty for the self-study co-chair position.

3.4 Committee for Online Instruction: Online Class Size Policy Proposal

This item was moved to the next agenda. Please review before the next meeting.

3.5 Instructional Technology Committee: Technology Planning Guide.

Ms. Vasquez stated the planning guide is not ready yet. Instead ITC provided a handout with recommended revisions of the College Plan.

3.6 Instructors' Association - Academic Senate Liaison Agreement.

Senator Garey gave a brief background on the need for the updated agreement. The revised agreement calls for one person designated by each organization (and this could be the same person) to serve as liaison. No compensation is provided. Please review and send any comments/recommendations to Senator Garey.

4.0 Action

4.1 Advanced Placement Course Credit Policy

Laura Castro stated that the first part of the proposal is not controversial. The language change that is being requested is basically to not allow students to petition to have AP courses on their SBCC transcript. These would be treated as external transcripts.

M/S/C To approve the language change in the Advanced Placement policy (Monda/Zavala)

The second part of the proposal has to do with how we award elective units for SBCC's AA degree and the applicability of Advanced Placement scores to the different areas of our General Education pattern. The proposal would have the elective credit and GE credit align with UC/CSU policies and IGETC. Currently there are a few departments that are not in line with UC/CSU practices. This is not a request to change course equivalency decisions. These remain under the departments' purview.

Concern: if the second part of the proposal was approved, the GE requirements for SBCC's AA degree decisions would be left up to the UC/CSUs.

M/S/C To approve that SBCC's elective credit and General Education requirements align with IGETC and UC/CSU practices (Garey/Zavala) 1 nay

5.0 Reports

5.1 President's Report

5.2 Liaison Reports

Kelly Lake reported:

Sabbatical Leave: currently reading the outstanding and very impressive leave reports from faculty.

Committee on Teaching and Learning: reviewing their oversight role for ISLOs.

Faculty Recognition: working on the ACCT (Meardy) award nomination and the Faculty Excellence awards.

FPD: working on Fall Inservice and Grant Guidelines

Tom Garey reported:

CPC: working on College Plan and Mission Statement. Mr. Garey added that the state budget looks awful, and the debate on the budget at the state level may be very protracted.

Jan Schultz reported:

AP: working with HR/LA on a major revise for the salary class transfer policy to make it a more streamlined process.

Kathy O'Connor reported:

COI: working on a resolution to ITC and the Senate about moving from WebCT to MOODLE.

ITC: spent time on the problem of allocation of funding; discussed the MOODLE/WebCT resolution.

CAC: a request to update the pre requisites/co requisites list was sent to departments.

Question: has CAC been working on the Title 5 changes and how they affect the Liberal Studies major?

5.3 EVP Report

6.0 Adjourn