**Oxnard College Academic Senate**

**MINUTES**

**Date: December 9, 2013**

Members present and absent:

|  |
| --- |
| **Academic Senate Executive Board** |
| Linda Kamaila, President | Present  |
| Robert Cabral, Vice President | Present  |
| Diane Eberhardy, Treasurer | Present |
| Amy Edwards, Secretary | Present  |
| **Department** | **Senators** |
| ADS/Paralegal | 1. Becca Porter, Present  |
| CAOT/Office Technology | 1. Diane Eberhardy, Present |
| Child Development | 1. Vacant  |
| Counseling | 1. Graciela Tortorelli, Present  |
| Dental Programs | 1. Armine Derdiarian, Absent  |
| Fine Arts and Performing Arts | 1. Vacant |
| Fire Programs | 1. Vacant |
| Letters | 1. Teresa Bonham, Present 2. Gaylene Croker, Proxy: Teresa Bonham , Present - - - - - - - - - - - - - -1 PT Vacant 2. PT Vacant  |
| Library | 1. Tom Stough, Present |
| Management | 1. Robert Cabral, Present  |
| Math | 1. Cat Yang, Present 2. Mark Bates, Absent - - - - - - - - - - - - - -1 PT Vacant |
| Part-Time Faculty Rep. at-Large | 1. Vacant  |
| Physical Education/Health | 1. L. Ron McClurkin, Absent  |
| Natural Sciences | 1. Shannon Newby, Present2. James Harber, Absent - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -1 PT Vacant 2. PT Vacant |
| Student Support Services (EAC, Health Center) | 1. Della Newlow, Present  |
| Student Support Services (EOPS) | 1. Gloria Lopez, Absent  |
| Social Sciences | 1. Marie Butler, Absent
2. Gloria Guevara, Present

- - - - - - - - - - - - - - 1. PT Vacant |
| Technology | 1.Vacant |
| AFT Vice-President | 1. Jenny Redding, Present  |

Non-Voting Faculty: Ishita Edwards, Cesar Flores Guests: Bola King-Rushing, Erika Endrijonas, Josue Ruiz

1. Called to order by President Linda Kamaila at 2:06
2. Welcoming of Guests: none Public Comment: none
3. Announcements by **President Kamaila** unless otherwise noted
4. There will only be two weeks to add students for the Spring 2014.
	* 1. Week one will be automatic, like usual.
		2. The second week will be with Add codes. You and students only have this ONE WEEK to get your rosters straight.
5. Spring enrollment is lagging. Today is first day of open enrollment and there was only a little bump.
6. Counselors are back on campus January 2nd. Get students in now and early!
7. Final grades are due December 20th
	* 1. Below are some of the issues if instructors do NOT get grades in on time.
			1. Students can’t get their financial aid on time
			2. Pre-req concerns
			3. Transfer concerns
		2. EVP will call each instructor and remind you why this is imperative for student success.
8. Accreditation Issue in support of SFCC: **Senator Jenny Redding** attended an event over the weekend where SFCC presented to appeal for support for more time and on Dec 22, 2013, the judge will rule if they are given more time. They are seeking resolutions in their effort to seek more time. **Jenny Redding** has copies of the resolution. More discussion took place during the AS President’s Report below and the resolution is attached to the minutes.
9. Two people were awarded sabbatical for Fall 2014: **Mark Bates** and **Marie Butler** so some replacements on committees will be needed.
10. Spring has a new “FLEX week” February 17th-21st Think about giving students an assignment because they might feel disconnected from the class too soon.
11. Scorecard and DataMart will be updated very soon (approximately mid-January)
12. **Senator Tom Stough** announced that Bryan Thompson and I are willing to provide library instruction in your classrooms. At times, they can do it in the LLRC, but for sure it can be done in your classroom. You can make a library assignment for that Spring FLEX week if you’d like.
13. There is money for substitutes. Contact your Dean and they can help arrange it, if you know in advance that you will be out.
14. Minutes: November 25, 2013 1st **Diane Eberhardy** 2nd **Shannon Newby** Motion approved with no changes
15. Treasurer’s Report: $1,988.40
16. AS President’s Report
17. Looking for a Co-Chair of Distance Education.
	* 1. **Senator Becky Porter** put her name in the hat for the position.
		2. Contact **President Kamaila** if you are interested.
18. PBC/DCAS:
	* 1. Last year the Board approved each college to save 2% of their budget for carry-over. The Board needs to re-vote on this or it will be reduced to 1%. It worked well this year and we used the money for scheduling and salary.
		2. We have some commitment to replacing the retirement positions. Discussion took place about how this will work. No one had specific answers except **President Kamaila** said that **Dr. Duran** is committed this year only, to replace the 4 retirees since we have 4 spots; thus, he will replace those spots. There is nothing that is written in the “books” that says they must replace retirements.
		3. Under the SSA: we will need to use multiple measures of assessment to judge student success. More to come on this.
		4. Revisited **Jenny Redding’s** SFCC resolution of support for SFCC from the annoucements.
			1. To alter the agenda in order to discuss this issue: 1st **Teresa Bonham** and **Cat Yang**
			2. Distributed a “Resolution RE: ACCJC and City College of San Francisco.” Email **Senator Redding** for more information on the specific language or to receive a copy of the resolution itself.
			3. Four lawsuits in play on this SFCC issue. They have lost 50% of their enrollment as a result of all this bad press.
			4. This is similar to the resolution approved at the Senate Plenary.
			5. The third resolve might be the only controversial issue and Senators asked for an Amendment to remove the third resolve. This was explained and discussed.
			6. People do not think they will get shut down and some more discussion took place. Some issues about clarity in “Recommendations” and “Must-Do’s” in Accreditation is pending.
			7. **Jenny Redding** and **Linda Kamaila** will follow-through with getting the paperwork to the right place:
			8. Motion to adopt this resolution to 1st **Amy Edwards**: 2nd **Teresa Bonham** Unanimous/Motion Carried.
		5. PBC will meet on December 18, 2013. Mission statement work continues
19. PEPC
	* 1. About to start new PEPR cycle.
		2. Due date is Feb 20th
		3. Forms are up now on SharePoint.
20. CUDS:
	* 1. We thanked **Diane Eberhardy** for getting this to happen: Re: The Memorial Garden: **David Shea** has put together a more detailed plan and marking the grass with temporary paint this week and then putting together a planting plan which will move forward soon. Movement of dirt coming soon!
		2. Technology Plan 2012-2015 is officially updated to reflect changes and new plans. **Tom Stough** and **Bola King-Rushing** worked on this. **Bola King-Rushing** reports it is not cosmetic stuff. Replacing the technology committee and connecting to curriculum is biggest updated. Also, they have restructured the way the plan is laid out in sections. New structure is with an OC focus, rather than a District focus. It is about us, coming from us. One of the weaknesses was there was no reporting on the progress that we have done. Thus, that has been added. Plus much more.
		3. **Diane Eberhardy** received the official tech plan in the notebook from **Tom Stough**.
		4. Current status of phone changes: We are waiting to see all of the bugs that Moorpark and Ventura experience. It is a massive system, so we want to jump in once we know how it is actually working.
21. DTRW:
	* 1. Still working on repeat courses and repeatability
		2. They need a member: should be someone from the curriculum committee. Contact President Kamaila if you are interested.
22. Curriculum:
	* 1. Three New AA-T degrees are moving forward
			1. Studio Art
			2. Global Studies
			3. TV, Film, & Digital Media
23. AFT: **Jenny Redding** reports:
	1. **PT faculty Susan Jones** is our new AFT OC-VP.
	2. All faculty have a flyer in their mailboxes that discusses the correct prices for dues.
	3. **Jenny Redding** attended the Finance meeting:
		1. The committee in the end agreed the faculty salary is sustainable.
		2. **Trustee Diane McKay** came around and agreed.
	4. Economy is looking good for projections.
24. Action Items:
	1. **Robert Cabral** Nominated **Gloria Guevara** for the Secretary position for the Spring 2014 to replace **Amy Edwards** who will be on sabbatical.(Gloria accepted)
	2. Nominations closed and Gloria was voted in: Congrats Gloria. ☺
25. Ongoing Business:
	1. One Book/One Campus:
		* 1. Some discussion about why it is on a Friday, rather than a Mon-Thurs slot. (February 7th)
			2. Some Senators commented that getting the information so late, makes it difficult to get it into faculty syllabi and nd it is hard to get it into all classes (“one campus”) when it is centered on sociology. We need a discussion about what books would truly work for a “one campus” event. Senator **Marie Butler** was prasied for making this happen through the club and people wonder if they can propose books besides a sociology book?
	2. Student Services:
		1. Open until Dec 23rd (tell students)
		2. Early alert discussed briefly
		3. **Senator Shannon Newby**: Can we get an online version of the EAC form? **Senator** **Della Newlow** will take it to the EAC group and report back on this issue.
	3. Student Engagement/College Hour/Clubs
		1. Highest number of clubs ever (13)
		2. **Secretary Amy Edwards** announced that the Speech Tournament was very successful last week! We had 93 students registered and 23 faculty and staff volunteers. She thanks everyone who participated.
		3. Senate Exec Duties and Release Time Discussion:
			1. There is still a discussion of the .2 release time.
			2. Get ideas to **President Kamaila**.
			3. Three AS Presidents are getting along well which helps get our viewpoints to the Board
		4. Senate Goals
			1. We are gradually moving along on these.
			2. We still need more Senators into positions for next semester.

Meeting Adjourned at 3:32.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Amy F. Edwards**

Supporting Document Follows

Supporting Document #1: Presented by Senator Jenny Redding

**RESOLUTION RE ACCJC and CITY COLLEGE OF SAN FRANCISCO (CCSF)**

**12/9/13**

WHEREAS, the U.S. system of regional accreditation has been well-established and provided essential guarantees of quality in America’s post-secondary institutions since the 1950s; and

WHEREAS, keys to the overall success of this unique system are a spirit of collaboration and mutual respect between the regional commissions and their member institutions and a shared focus on the needs and interests of the students who attend these institutions; and

WHEREAS, for the last decade, the relationship in the Western region between the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC) and many of California’s 112 public community colleges (which collectively constitute 84% of the institutional membership of ACCJC and serve over 95% of the student enrollments at ACCJC member institutions) has been contentious and, in many instances, antagonistic; and

WHEREAS, the troubled nature of the relationship between ACCJC and many of its member institutions is manifested in multiple ways, including the following:

* The extraordinary frequency and severity of sanctions levied by ACCJC against California community colleges compared to sanction levels and types seen in other regions and in four-year institutions accredited by WASC-Senior;
* Widespread distrust of ACCJC by faculty statewide as reflected in numerous resolutions, articles, and complaints prepared and approved by organizations such as the Community College Council of the California Federation of Teachers, the Community College Association of the California Teachers Association, the California Community College Independents, and the Faculty Association of the California Community Colleges;
* The creation of two separate Task Forces by two different State Chancellors in order to grapple with the issues surrounding the accreditation of the system’s colleges; and
* ACCJC’s announcements in July 2012 and July 2013, of its action first to place CCSF on “Show Cause” and then to deny accreditation to CCSF, effective July 2014, actions which have created an unprecedented public relations, enrollment, and financial crisis for that institution, threatening its very existence as the only public community college in the City and County of San Francisco, despite widespread support for the college from the people of San Francisco;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Academic Senate of Oxnard College hereby expresses its deep concern over the adversarial nature of the relationships between ACCJC and many of California’s community colleges; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Academic Senate urges careful scrutiny of ACCJC’s work as a regional accreditor during the upcoming review of ACCJC for federal recognition by the U.S. Dept. of Education (USDOE); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Academic Senate urges ACCJC itself to consider, in its own self-evaluation, how ineffective the Commission has been in fostering a spirit of collaboration and mutual respect between itself and its member institutions and that the Commission take meaningful steps to begin developing a more collaborative spirit in its work with the California community colleges.