

# Oxnard College Academic Senate

## MINUTES

Date: January 23, 2012

Members present and absent:

<b>Academic Senate Executive Board</b>	
Robert Cabral, President	Present
Linda Kamaila, Vice President	Present
Diane Eberhardy, Treasurer	Present
Amy Edwards, Secretary	Present
Department	Senators
Addictive Disorders Studies	1. Vacant
Business/CIS/Legal Assisting	1. Diane Eberhardy, Present
Child Development	1. Vacant
Counseling	1. Ralph Smith, Absent
Dental Programs	1. Vacant
Fine Arts	1. Vacant
Fire Programs/T.V.	1. Vacant
Letters	1. Teresa Bonham, Present 2. Lynn Fauth, Present 3. Cecilia Milan, Present ----- 1 Pt Vacant 2. Pt Vacant
Library	1. Tom Stough, Present
Math	1. Cat Yang, Present 2. Maria Parker, Present ----- 1 Bill Greason, Present
Part-Time Faculty Rep. at-Large	1. Vacant
Performing Arts	1. Vacant
Physical Education/Health	1. L. Ron McClurkin, Present
Natural Sciences	1. Shannon Newby, Present 2. James Harber, Absent ----- 1 Pt Vacant 2. Pt Vacant
Student Support Services (EAC, Health Center)	1. Della Newlow, Present
Student Support Services (EOPS)	1. Ana Maria Valle, Proxy: Letty Mojica, Present

Social Sciences	1. Marie Butler, Absent 2. Gloria Guevara, Present ----- 1. Pt. Vacant
Technology/CRM	1. Andrew Cawelti, Absent
AFT Vice-President	1. Jenny Redding, Present

Non-Voting Faculty: Jim Merrill, Ishita Edwards

Guests: Erika Endrijonas, Andrea Baltazar, George Ortega, Candace Moss, Juan Smith

## I. Call to Order

Academic Senate (AS) President **R. Cabral** called meeting to order at 2:34pm

## II. Public Comments/Announcements

- Treasurer's Report: \$1,455.37
  - Senate Dues are coming due: watch out for emails and flyers
- Announcements:
  - **R. Cabral** introduced **Candice Moss** our 2<sup>nd</sup> instructional technologist who is excited to be here. Her office is in the Faculty Resource Center in the LRC.
  - **R. Cabral** distributed 14.05/16.01 which is a look at the course/program cuts. He asked Senators to review the documents to see what cuts were made.
  - **R. Cabral** also announced that all OC sabbaticals were approved and thanked **Ishita Edwards** for serving as the Sabbatical Chair.
  - **R. Cabral** announced he will be on the Chancellor's hiring committee.
- Public Comments:
  - **Andrea Baltazar:** Thank you to the faculty for their good advice and meeting with students on a regular basis. She also talked about being proud to be a student advocate and said that when they began it was a 0 sum game, but "not anymore," she claims.
  - **George Ortega:** He is about to finish the TV program here on campus and he is thrilled to see smiling faces on campus because, he says, "as a community, we saved the program." He thanks **R. Cabral** for always being at all of the meetings and says, "There is still hard work ahead of us to build our community college and program, but the communication channels are open."
  - **Juan Smith** thanked the faculty for being there and explains how everyone thought the TV program was DOA but the program did make it and there are only 3 students at Senate today because students know they can breathe a little easier although they are not ready to stop the hard work.
- **Board of Trustee Chair Stephen Blum** was in attendance at this meeting. Mainly he took questions from the audience.
  - **R. Cabral** led with the challenges of Fall 2011 and claims, "we know more work is ahead of us."
  - **Trustee Blum** said "we didn't sign up for these cuts and hurting programs. We know it has been hard for the student. It's a shame what is happening in California." He told the Senate "not to vote for people who don't care about local education/control."
- **Q and A began:**
- **R. Cabral:** About the recently adopted Board Goals: what do these Board goals mean to us? Can we integrate them with the Board's vision?

- **Trustee Blum** said, “We shouldn’t tell you what to do here. The more management stays out of it, the better decisions are. Less we tell you, the better.”
- **T. Bonham:** Is it okay to have our own unique way of meeting these Board Goals at OC?
- **Trustee Blum** said, “Maybe. Some things should be uniform. Go to Dr. Duran and Erika for more information here.”
- **Lynn Fauth:** His question centered on the meaning of the term “optimal” used in the Board Goals. According to Sue Johnson, “optimal” at VC seems to be the enrollment floor. What is optimal for OC’s college size in terms of enrollment?
- **Trustee Blum** said “optimal is an opinion.”
- **Lynn Fauth:** “OK what’s the opinion of the Board?”
- **Trustee Blum** said he’s not sure why OC has always been the smallest and isn’t comfortable giving an opinion of the entire Board. In the past, OC didn’t have enough classrooms, so we built it up. Now you have the classrooms, but there isn’t any money to grow it. The economy has changed the definition of optimal. There has been no discussion about closing the school or making it a satellite campus.
- **Gloria Guevara:** How will you measure these goals? Will our funding be tied to our success rates?
- **Trustee Blum** said tying success to funding is a bad idea. Sacramento may have said some of these things, but he does not believe in doing this. It will just reward the rich and hurt the poor, he said.
- **Linda Kamaila:** She mentioned that the cuts now seem more equitable. She is pleased the Board stepped in and changed the cuts. We are bare boned and she thanked **Trustee Blum** for helping to change the philosophy.
- **Trustee Blum** then passed out the “VCCCD Comparison of Monetary Allocations.”
- **Jim Merrill:** He spoke/questioned about the risk of measuring a college by their number of degrees. He spoke about success rates and policies of the college.
- **Trustee Blum** said success is a relative term and it is hard to quantify.
- **Secretary Edwards** asked that **Trustee Blum** clarify the vote about TV and OCTV.
- **Trustee Blum** said the TV instructional program was saved.
- **Andres Orozco** announced that the TV program has a mandate to revamp the program. He has met with the Dean, the EVP, and the President. Students will be involved and he continues by adding this was a humbling experience and he needs to avoid being on his own island. He now recognizes the importance of shared governance and how the community aspect is very important. He explained that OCTV is our lab; it’s the hands-on practical application that reaches over 50,000 homes. TV needs to be amplified and a complement web based medium as well. He asks **Trustee Blum:** Do you think the BOT would like a progress report?
- **Trustee Blum** told him to discuss that progress report with the OC campus.
- **Diane Eberhardy** asked Trustee Blum to discuss the renewing of the Deans for 1 and 2 year periods.
- **Trustee Blum** said this comes up every year. The 1 year group has to be done by March 15<sup>th</sup> and 2 years is common place. He claims this is a reaffirmation that their services are appreciated and warranted.
- **Diane Eberhardy** followed up with some issues that Deans/Administration seemed that they can’t be touched.
- **Trustee Blum** said Administration will be 2 less than last year and the Administration District-wide has been reduced by 8-10 people over the last few years. Full-time faculty have not been touched too much. No Furlough days for campus and no health benefits reduced.
- **Jim Merrill** clarifies the difference between OCTV program and the TV instructional program.
- **Trustee Blum** reiterated that the less we tell you, the better you do.
- **Della Newlow** claims that sometimes when the budget cuts come we only look at one thing. Why don’t we look broader? For example, maybe taking a few Furlough days instead of cutting a few programs?

- **Trustee Blum** said, “We have a contract with the faculty. He’s heard these things discussed, but he knows how sacred a contract is since he is also a lawyer. Changing the calendar is very complicated, but Della’s points are well taken.”
- **Gloria Guevara:** Will we see unity standardizing across all 3 campuses?
- **Trustee Blum** said this is something people talk about, but very difficult to get done. It’s something they’d like to see happen because it seems like a good idea.
- **Linda Kamaila:** She asked that the BOT think about hiring people already on campus for the Chancellor position. “Even you, **Trustee Blum**, would be an excellent Chancellor,” she says.
- **Trustee Blum** said this process does not hinder anyone from applying. If local campus people apply, great! We are hiring using an outside source as a combined search, in hopes of a better pool of candidates.
- **R. Cabral:** Please come to our campus for a BOT meeting.
- **Trustee Blum** thanked the faculty for all of their hard work.

### III. Senate Action Items

- December 12, 2011 Meeting Minutes
  - i. 1<sup>st</sup> **Diane Eberhardy**; 2<sup>nd</sup> **Maria Parker**; 1 abstention-minutes approved

### IV. Impact of Budget Cuts

- DCAS: (**R. Cabral**) The meeting was last week and the major focus was to begin a conversation about the allocation model. **Sue Johnson** presented a PowerPoint that speaks to the CA finances and the 9 million dollar shortfall for the 2013 calendar. Sue Johnson will be our interim financial officer since **John Al-Amin** moved to a new district.
- Planning and Budgeting Council:
  - i. The meeting was last week. **R Cabral** provided the Senate with the minutes and agenda. He claims PBC might need to revisit the budget holistically to look at the revenue stream and the facilities master plan since it isn’t integrated into the PBC committee. We need a better sense of decision making about finances on this campus. It needs to be streamlined and PBC is discussing this process.
  - ii. **Erika Endrijonas** added information about the flow of information and the Facilities Master Plan. She claims the Master Plan needs to be revisited because everything needs to eventually come together at PBC. We have to make shared governance actually happen.
- Program Effectiveness and Planning Committee
  - i. The meeting was scheduled for January 24, 2012. The topic of discussion will be how to get AP4021 into planning. Program discontinuance has to start at the faculty level and we need to get a process in place. They will be reviewing the forms for the PEPRs to embrace a new methodology for program review.
  - ii. A discussion about student success began.

### V. Participatory Governance Committee Reports

- Campus Use, Development, and Safety Committee: No Report
- Curriculum Committee: **T. Bonham** reports that the agenda is online and at the last meeting they completed 61 second readings and the first two transfer degrees.
- Learning Outcomes Team Committee: No Report
- Professional Development Committee: They held a special meeting for early bird travel funds. Approximately 16 applications and approximately \$14,000.00. The final deadline is February 3<sup>rd</sup>. The forms to apply are online.

- Technology Committee: We have no representative from Senate on this committee. Many asked who will be the new co-chair of this committee. **R. Cabral** said he would found out.

## VI. Standing Committee Reports

- Accreditation Committee: No Report
- AFT Report: **J. Redding** reports that we had good participation in the rallies and a steward training is taking place on January 27<sup>th</sup>. Two items were distributed: 1. a letter objecting to the student task force; and 2. the AFT newsletter.
- Distance Education: There is money to distribute for faculty wanting to take classes. Follow emails sent by **R. Cabral** to sign up. Their next meeting is February 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- Sabbatical Committee: All have been approved by the BOT. See announcements at the beginning of these minutes.
- Student Success Committee: No Report
- Transitional Studies: No report

### (District Committees)

- Report on DCHR: Hired consultant is leaving for a different job.
- Report on DCSL: **L. Kamaila** reports that the enrollment and registration system is changing. Provided below is the new order in which students can enroll in classes.
  - 1. EOPS, DSPS, CalWorks, Vets, Former Foster Youth
  - 2. Continuing student with 45-75 units
  - 3. Continuing student 30-44 units
  - 4. Continuing student with 15-29 units
  - 5. Continuing student with 1-14 units
  - 6. Newly matriculated
  - 7. New: not matriculated
  - 8. All non-high school students: walk in
  - 9. High school students
- Report on DTRW: Transfer English degree moved forward. Math sent back for 5 unit issues.

## VII. Old Business

- Board Goals: Still discussing what these goals mean. Please read through them and we will continue this discussion at our next meeting.

## VIII. New Business

- Senate Elections will take place in March and voting in April. **Amy Edwards** is typically the Senate Elections Chair, however, since she is running for office, Senate would like to establish a new committee chair. A draft timeline and gathering of committee members will happen at the next Senate meeting.
- Excellence in Service & Teaching Awards: May is the deadline to nominate individuals for the awards. The deadline is in May and the winners will be recognized during Fall Mandatory FLEX.

## IX. Adjournment

- Adjourned at 4:22 p.m.
- Next Meeting will take place on February 13, 2012