

Minutes
 Of the Oxnard College Academic Senate
 February 22, 2021
 2:00 by Zoom

The Senate: Present: Amy Edwards (President), Kevin Corse (Vice President), Linda Kama'ila (Secretary). Lois Zsarnay (Treasurer) Senators: Ishita Edwards, Tom Stough, Gloria Lopez, Charles Ramirez, Erin Lawley, Josh Lieser, Della Newlow, Tim Fontenette, Simon Salem, Elissa Caruth, Lilia Ruvalcaba, Jim Danza, Mike Ketaily, Kari Tudman, Susan McDonald, Lilia Ruvalcaba, Mark Bates, Marcia Fulkerson, Christine Mainzer, Michelle Brownlee; Constantino Lopez, Michael Sheetz,. Absent: Rana Akiel, Deanna McFadden, Shannon Newby

Guests: Leah Alarcon, Trustee Gabriela Torres, Pauline Nassar, Gerald Richardson III.

Call to Order By 2:02	By President Amy Edwards		
Adoption of the Agenda	1 Chris Mainzer 2. Michelle Brownlee	Unanimously passed, no changes.	
Public Comment	Lorena Ortiz	ASG is reaching out to Senate, AFT and others regarding recent events.	
Guests	Trustee Gabriela Torres	Trustee Torres introduced herself and. Expressed the importance of putting students at the center. She is highly interested in social justice in all arenas. She is a first generation college student who became an educator. Faculty inspired her when she was at community college. It's important to have someone who understands the student situation on the Board, it improves communication. Trustee Torres is very interested in the faculty voice and learning what we need in order to be successful. What are the faculty needs? How can the Board offer support? Kevin Corse: Interested in working with the Board to further the goals of CE.	

		<p>Lorena Ortiz: Oxnard College is a remarkable institution with amazing professors. Recent events have made students hopeful about achieving change. How will students be able to interact with the AFT?</p> <p>Trustee: Students are always welcome at public comment. They can be live through Zoom or they can send an email. Zoom presentations are more powerful. Contacting the AFT directly is the best way to reach them.</p> <p>Marcia: How do we balance the need for more support for students with the need for budget cuts?</p> <p>Trustee: Students are the priority. Students must have required services. There is an upcoming study of both the state of the reserves and our budget allocations. What will supporting diversity and inclusion look like? Success rates are important. Hearing from faculty is critical. There's a study session on February 25 (see BoardDocs). March 9 is budget approval time.</p> <p>Amy: Don't forget all faculty can be heard at Board Meetings by contacting Amy.</p> <p>Lilia: AB-705 concerns...where does the Board stand?</p> <p>Trustee: At the last meeting, the three colleges presented to see how it was working out. It looked successful. They looked at the number of students who failed the new course. The fail rate had doubled. Colleges need to tell the Board what needs to be done. Oxnard College says they have a model to address the issue, but OC has had to do it without funding. Funding is needed. More study. Is needed, says Trustee Torres, and an actual plan needs to be developed.</p> <p>Lilia: Is the District looking at ways that faculty can have equal access to data?</p> <p>Trustee: A planning process/Taskforce is underway. Faculty will have a way to</p>	
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	Senate Elections Committee	<p>Timetable (Motion to Approve)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Josh Lieser 2. Michael Sheetz <p>Timetable (on BoardDocs)</p> <p>NOMINATION FORM. There are two:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Full time 2. Part time <p>Josh: Do we have digital signatures? Yes. CA, amended to say that can be done by email. Remainder of instructions unchanged (See Boarddocs).</p> <p>Passed. Unanimous.</p>	
	Senate Nomination	<p>Nominations from the floor:</p> <p>Erin nominates Amy for President. Erin nominates Marcia Fulkerson for Secretary. Accepted. Linda seconds.</p> <p>Lilia nominates Elissa for Vice President. Accepted.</p> <p>Josh nominates Ishita Edwards for Treasurer. She accepts. Lois seconds.</p> <p>Linda nominated Michelle Brownlee for Part Time rep. She accepts.</p>	

Action Items	Approval of the Minutes of Jan 25, 2021	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Chris Mainzer 2. Michelle Brownlee <p>Passed Unanimously.</p>	
Committee Reports	Curriculum	No report.	
	PDC	<p>Tim: Hasn't met.</p> <p>Ishita: What has happened to the previous submissions? They were approved, but recipients have not heard from the Committee. Amy confirms they have been approved. Tim will check on the status.</p> <p>Amy: What about a speaker?</p> <p>Kari: Reading Apprentice. It's an ongoing thing. There are classes, but also speakers and they will do a seminar for the College.</p> <p>Della: Team building workshops.</p> <p>Linda: Poetry</p> <p>Elissa: Recommended a well known speaker on trauma and the brain.</p>	
	SESI	Kari – will submit a written report. BoardDocs. We have quite a few students who have 60 units and could graduate, but they haven't been filing for graduation. Please get the word out!	
	TEC	Mark: Ongoing concerns due to the intense use of technology during the pandemic. We need to let the students know where the hotspots are and what the other tech resources are. Amy: We have portable hotspots – there are 175 remaining. Survey results will be analyzed at the next meeting.	
	AFT	Michael: The AFT put up a webpage with information about the vaccination situation. AFT has asked District to supply some form of employment verification. County of Ventura should start vaccines for teachers on March 1.	

		<p>Erin: Will the County bring a clinic to our colleges? It's working elsewhere. Michael: Ty Gardner (VC) has raised that concern. AFT is looking into it.</p> <p>Erin: Some faculty are already working face to face. Amy: She has news on this topic at a later item.</p> <p>Michael: Next AFT meeting is Friday by Zoom.</p>	
	ASG	Pauline: On the 26 th , Gerald and Pauline are hosting Dr Cornell West	
	Other	Tom Stough: There's a District item regarding Library services funding. There is an issue with whether or not Sacramento will continue their funding for libraries.	
	Anti-Racist Policies and Practices	Elissa: Asks for a Resolution regarding the Zoom bombing during Black History event at Ventura College. Elissa and Della will work on the resolution. Support was spoken.	
President's Report	Pres. Amy Edwards	<p>Plenary upcoming, Amy scheduled to go.</p> <p>ASG is hosting a drive-in movie night on campus this Wednesday. There is a small fee. "The Hate You Give." 24 February.</p> <p>Building project at Fire and Art are underway and moving along. There is a solar project starting March 3.</p> <p>Chancellor 1 on 2 on Feb 11. Amy did speak to Greg about the possibility of becoming a site for educators. Greg was involved in getting educators to include college instructors. Vaccines start for educators on March 1.</p> <p>Amy needs more videos for Linda's farewell by March 1.</p> <p>Faculty Resource Ranking: We will do the first reading of resource requests at our first March 8, second reading on March 22, then goes to Budget an Planning Council. Pres Sanchez makes final decision in June/July.</p>	

		<p>Taskforce is working on a COVID FAQ – watch your email for more COVID emails.</p> <p>DCHR: Multiple AP’s and BP’s under review.</p> <p>DTRW-SS and -I are going to change their names. There was discussion in both places about the low cost textbook idea.</p> <p>Joel is co-chair of DTRW-SS. Pass/no pass discussions, the EW discussion.</p> <p>DCAS: New allocation model is coming, but slowly. It will work well for OC. There’s been lots of Board drama about the budget. There’s an issue with trust.</p> <p>Next Board meeting is second week of March.</p> <p>.</p>	
Old Business			
New Business	Treasurer’s Report	Lois: There were some unexplained issues with debits for dues. District is apparently short staffed. Account is otherwise unchanged. DUES NOTICes go out first week of March	
	OER Presentation	Moved to March 8.	
Senate Election Chair Update		Tom: Testing Election Buddy software. There need to be instructions regarding spam. Michael: AFT had to get whitelisted in order for it to go into the main mailbox. Ishita: How much does it cost? Alan: Is one semester enough to establish this year’s ability to vote?	
Faculty Mentoring Program		<p>When should we go for feedback? Mike K says things are working out well between himself and his mentee. He is learning from his mentee as well.</p> <p>Ishita: She and her mentee moved from email to phone calls. Last semester was hard for her, but she feels she can call anytime for advice.</p> <p>Della says she and her mentee are enjoying the exchanges. It’s going well.</p>	

		Amy proposes we do a panel type event at Senate, in April. Michelle Brownlee thanked Senate for making the effort to make the lists and a special thanks to the people who built the lists.	
Future Agenda Item		Kevin added an AP on Credit for Prior Learning from his task force. Kevin: Unequal lab pay issue. PDC on next agenda as well.	
Good of the Order			
Adjournment At 3:59			

Respectfully submitted,

L. LeValley Kama'ila