



## ACADEMIC SENATE MINUTES

Thursday, September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2017 1:00 p.m. Board Room

### ATTENDANCE

#### Senators

Harvey Estrada  
Jerome Evans  
Andree Valdry  
Pamela Richardson  
Malinni Roeun  
Nikki Williams  
Paul Flor  
Kent Schwitkis  
Christopher Halligan  
Hoa Pham  
Shirley Thomas  
Amber Gillis  
Kendahl Radcliffe  
Essie French-Preston  
Rajinder Sidhu

#### Visitors

Liza Rios  
Carlos Maruri  
Roza Ekimyan  
Hassan Elfarissi  
David McPatchell

- I. **CALL TO ORDER** – Paul Flor 1:05 p.m.
- II. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA** – Schwitkis/Roeun - Approved
- III. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Schwitkis/Roeun - Approved with correction to Valdry's name

#### IV. **REPORTS**

**President's Report**- Paul Flor reporting.

- September 26, 2017 is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Social Hour from 1-3. Faculty can volunteer for ½ hour to have social conversations with our students. This is done to bring down some of the barriers that they perceive exist between faculty and students. We need some more faculty for the 2-3 time slot.
- Student Equity- There will be a workshop on October 4<sup>th</sup> in the Staff Lounge which will be facilitated by Trish Bonacic. This workshop is focused on the SRC.
- Deadline for the HBCU Tour has been extended to September 25, 2017. Applications are available.
- The Cosmetology price list for services that are now being offered to faculty and students is available.
- Distance Education Handbook- Williams stated that it is expected that the handbook will be ready by the end of October and presented to Senate for first read. Williams also discussed the captioning grant that is now available through the SRC.

- Perez stated that Pearson is denying e-text requests. This is coming from the SRC. Pearson is moving to Vital Source and this has accessibility issues. This means that faculty will have to find alternate texts.

**Vice President-** Christopher Halligan

- McPatchell attended the meeting at El Camino. College Council discussed the SENSE Report. The ECC and Compton reports are posted on the Institutional Research website so that everyone can see the data. The committee is taking a look at the non-discrimination statements. Halligan asked what the changes are going to be. McPatchell stated that the question that came up was with the definition of sexual orientation and sexual identity. They are trying to combine and solidify a definition.

**Board Representative** – Jerome Evans reporting

- The 90 Year Celebration. The first kick-off celebration is on September 30, 2017. The celebration will be highlighting the decades that the college has existed. There will be additional events throughout the year. McPatchell wanted to ensure that all of the retired faculty and staff have been invited.
- Consultative Council- an update was given by Linda Owens on campus projects. Evans distributed a sheet that states all of the projects, costs, and dates.
- Assembly Bill 1299- This Bill is to bring monies into Compton to help become an independent college. Curry had an idea to move the marquee that is at the entrance of the school on Artesia to Greenleaf and then install a larger one that can be seen from the freeway.
- Evans discussed that it is that time of year for the book fair to celebrate Latino Heritage Month. You can donate books and money. Students can also donate books.

**Accreditation:** Amber Gillis reporting.

- Quality Focus Essay- This is a short essay that explains to the ACCJC areas that we will be placing great focus on improving for the next two years. The committee decided on Integrated Planning and Distance Education. A draft is complete and soon it will be released to faculty and staff to give feedback on the document. Accreditation Standards committee membership will be coming down the pipeline soon to see who would like to be part of the committees. Flor stated that the QFE will be coming to Academic Senate to get approval.
- Gillis discussed some of the recommendations in the self-evaluation report. These are the ones we will be focusing on over the next few years.

**V. ACTION ITEMS-UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- We currently have 2 part time faculty senators that cannot make it to the meetings so we need to fill these positions. Flor asked if we know an adjunct who can adjust their schedule to attend meetings and would like to serve on Senate forward names to him so we can get some new adjunct representatives.

**VI. NEW BUSINESS**

- Academic Senate Goals- In the packet, membership names have been updated in the standing committees. There are two vacancies. Professional Development has a vacancy. Valdry cannot represent us at El Camino for this semester. Another vacancy is on Health Benefits. Most of the work has been completed but they still meet and need a member. Flor stated that we are going to need to re-write the faculty by-laws to reflect that we will not have faculty council. Halligan wanted to know if we will be dissolving faculty council at Compton since it was created to examine issues of

the faculty that did not fall under the 10+ rule. Flor responded that this is something that we will have to decide on.

- Guided pathways met on September 14<sup>th</sup>. There will be IEPI workshops on Guided pathways throughout Southern California if you are interested in attending. If you are on the task force, you are encouraged to attend. The co-chairs are all attending on the September 28, 2017. The workshop on the 28<sup>th</sup> is to fulfill the 3 steps that are necessary to receive the money from the Chancellor's office. If we submit all three steps of the plan then we will become eligible for a portion of the grant.
- Fall 2017 Enrollment update- Perez stated that fall 2017 are approximately 2240 FTEs. When you consider where we were in early August this is a definite push. Some of the departments have created some classes beginning the second 8-weeks. Next week a whole series of off-site classes at the high school will be opening up. If we continue on the path we are making some progress and we will be closer to our target. We have not hit our target which is around 2450. Our goal was to make our targets to be able to refrain from borrowing so much.
- Curriculum Update- Roza Ekimyan reporting. Curriculum committee representatives: Division 1 has submitted 2 names, Division 3 has had some people who expressed interest, and Division 2 has submitted several names. If you are interested, the Curriculum Committee will be meeting twice a month. There is a summit on Friday, September 29, 2017 from 9am-12, this is a training workshop. Ekimyan stated that this is going to require a lot of work so if you are committing to the committee you want to make sure that you are attending the meetings. Ekimyan is the Curriculum Committee chair and Williams is Secretary. Flor stated that the state Fall Curriculum Regional of the South is on November 18, 2017 for anyone interested in attending. French-Preston stated that all members of curriculum at ECC are getting their training which is required yearly.

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**VII. Information- Discussion Items**

- In the packet- Flor included an article from Ginny May and highlighted some information that is of importance on guided pathways. There is also a new release from FACCC. Money designated to for guided pathways and how \$100 million is being asked to be set aside for faculty (both full time and adjunct) which will be to roll out guided pathway courses.
- Fall Plenary is in Irvine from November 2-4, 2017.
- Statewide Academic Senate asked if we would like to host their Student Learning Outcome Symposium. This would be on February 9, 2018 and is currently being discussed.

**VIII. Events/Meetings**

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**MOTION TO ADJOURN** – Approved – Schwitkis/Roeun 1:57 p.m.