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[Resolution for Graduation 2020.pdf](#)

Greetings All,

The Academic Senate has heard requests from staff who are interested in issues the faculty are discussing so that they can partner with faculty in assisting our students. With that in mind, I will regularly be sharing the Senate "Hot Topics" summaries. We hope this creates transparency and begins to engage all staff in important initiatives on campus. Enjoy.

SCC ACADEMIC SENATE

HOT TOPICS

from the

February 3, 2020 MEETING



A/S PRESIDENT'S UPDATE

- Faculty Leadership Institute: June 18-20 @ Marriott Newport Beach
- Academic Senate funding: if anyone who isn't already doing so would like to, you can set up automatic paycheck donations (see the attached form) which support Senate activities such as Faculty of the Year awards, Senate Scholarships, Tenure Tea, etc.
- Selfies With Celia: S/P Esposito-Noy has agreed to the creation of a large "Celia" cutout which can travel between student groups, popping up for selfies and to add to our social media
- Students 4 Equity: College Hour is being set up by S4E and events will be scheduled and advertised starting fall 2020 so faculty may plan/attend
- Mandatory Graduation Attendance: Senate didn't feel making attendance mandatory was appropriate but is looking at whether or not providing regalia would

YOUR SENATORS

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- be incentive for attendance
- Process for Proposing New Programs and Courses: update coming soon

S/P ESPOSITO-NOY REPORT

No report

VPAA REPORT

No report

CONSENT AGENDA

None

ACTION ITEMS

- PD Funding Request Evaluation Rubric: tabled
- Senator At-Large roles: The Exec Board will poll FIRE/AERO/VJO/VVC etc. to see if those areas being underrepresented in Senate have ideas on the best way(s) to remedy
- Graduation Resolution: passed unanimously (see attached)

INFORMATION/DISCUSSION

Peer Review Proposed Modification

- Because we have nothing in our PR process to address scenarios where review team members don't agree, HR has requested Senate develop policy for these instances. This work will be completed in collaboration with the Faculty Union.

Review of Coordinators Job Description/Release Time

- Administration, Senate President Jaimez, and the Union met to discuss Reassign time. Funding streams are different, roles are different, and how work is evaluated varies. Some positions don't have job descriptions. The groups will work to standardize job descriptions, ensure evaluation/feedback opportunities occur and to review reassigned time. Melissa clarified parity/pay questions related to FT vs PT faculty in coordinator roles.

ATB: Applied Technology & Business

COUN: Counseling

HS: Health Sciences

LA: Liberal Arts

LIB: Library

SBS: Social & Behavioral Sciences

M&S: Math & Science

Executive Board:

LaNae Jaimez, President

Michael Wyly, Past President

Josh Scott, Vice President

Erin Duane, Sec./Treasurer

TEN PLUS ONE

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1. Curriculum including establishing prerequisites and places courses within disciplines
2. Degree and certificate requirements
3. Grading policies
4. Educational program development
5. Standards or policies regarding student preparation and success
6. District and college governance structures, as related to faculty roles
7. Faculty roles and involvement in accreditation processes, including self-study and annual reports
8. Policies for faculty professional development activities
9. Processes for program review
10. Processes for institutional planning and budget development
11. Other academic and professional matters as mutually agreed upon between the governing board and the academic senate

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Academic Program Review – Ferdinanda Florence:

The school of Health Sciences has their student survey for dissemination this spring. They will be completing program review in the fall.

Master schedule: Will be reviewed and updated by coordinators.

The committee will be discussing whether or not to recommend to the senate making the librarian position on the committee ex officio.

Student Equity & Success – Josh Scott:

While Josh is on paternity leave, his co-chair position will need temporary replacement. The Council is working on a plan for the semester that will directly focus on particular groups at Vallejo (ex: student-parents.)

Curriculum Committee – Jim DeKloe:

The committee is operating under its new calendar/meeting system: three weeks of drop-in workshops have occurred and tech review follows next week before the first official full committee meeting of the semester.

Guided Pathways – Michael Wylly:

“Falcon Day” (Friday, April 24) is being planned: HS outreach, bringing students on to campus to (priority) register with an Ed plan, FAFSA and SCC application already in place.

Visit the [Senate website](#) for minutes & agendas, etc.