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# SCC ACADEMIC SENATE HOT TOPICS

*from the*  
**March 28, 2022 MEETING**

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## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

### **A/S PRESIDENT'S UPDATE**

- [ASCCC Resolutions](#) (Spring 2022 plenary): see the Resolutions tab; Josh Scott spoke briefly about resolutions related to AB1705. Input regarding ASCCC resolutions 3.04, 6.03, 6.04, and 6.05 that address concerns related to AB 1705 is encouraged. Senate President will be voting on the resolutions on April 9<sup>th</sup>
- Area B meeting update/minutes: Senate President Jaimez will send these unapproved minutes out to Senate to be shared at school meetings.
- Senator elections: voting need to be completed by 4/18. One At-Large position has no nominee; a candidate from the school elections may fill that spot.
- Graduation: [student commencement speaker nomination form](#)
- Graduation Car-Mencement Task Force: [sign up form](#)
- The new coordinators for the Academic Program Review and Assessment committees will be announced 4/18
- Please complete [this Survey](#) about the development of our new Teaching & Learning Center

### **S/P ESPOSITO-NOY REPORT**

- We are planning to join the [California Community College Equity Leadership Alliance](#) through the [USC Center on Race and Equity](#).
- Our campus mask mandate persists: some campuses dropped theirs but they also have vaccine and booster mandates in place.
- Dr. Brian Bradford gave a presentation on Friday 3/25 to share his research on the disproportionate underrepresentation of Black men in educational and executive leadership positions and facilitate dialogue about our notions of equity and opportunity in the workplace. A 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> session will also be in person soon.
- After interviewing candidates, it was decided to (opportunity) hire a second Anatomy/Physiology instructor.

### **VPAA REPORT**

### **VPSS REPORT**

The bookstore's Regalia link is up for students. Orders must be placed by Friday 4/20. Faculty can [request their regalia rentals online](#).

Those that volunteer at Car-Mencement will receive a free tee-shirt, designed by members of SCC Art faculty.

## **CONSENT AGENDA - approved**

Appointed to Interview Committee for Interim Director of the Early Learning Center -Tony Ayala

Appointed to Interview Committee for Cosmetology full-time faculty -Saki Cabrera

## **ACTION ITEMS**

[Resolution 03.28.2022](#): Application for Solano College to Become a California Virtual Campus – OEI Consortium Member – John Perez: approved

[Scale of Adoption Self-Assessment \(SOAA\) for Guided Pathways](#) - Melissa Reeve

Please review and send feedback for parts related to your area; the more eyes the better on this, prior to submittal to the Chancellor's Office. Senate approved this document pending the Senate President's review.

## **INFORMATION/DISCUSSION**

*Regina Stanback Stroud Consulting - PAC DEI Advisory Council – Campus Climate Survey*

Dr. Regina Stanback-Stroud, Dr. Sheila Smith McKoy and Dr. Aaron McVean visited Senate to discuss our planning for a campus climate survey in regards to the topic of race and inclusion from our students' perspectives. Their council was invited to assist us with selecting and administering this survey after a Fall 2020 focus group found many student concerns.

This survey is intended to center student voices, strengthen inclusion, increase awareness and disrupt negative impacts on students. Added benefits are to help SCC live up to its mission, generate data for action, and meet goals and standards. The council will work with us to develop questions, select a survey instrument, conduct an awareness campaign, administer/facilitate the survey, and work with us on the survey results.

*Taskforce Update: Return to Campus - Josh Scott*

Josh presented recent campus EW/CW numbers, retention and success data (linked below) and briefly discussed how the data relates to DEI groups in tandem with pre/post COVID instruction. The task force will now look at what next steps might be (policies, professional development, etc) and will bring recommendations to Senate for how to proceed.

[– EW and CW Data](#)

[- Fall 2021 Term End Report](#)

*Senate Elections*

The incoming Senate President (Josh Scott) and Vice President (Rebecca LaCount) were elected by acclamation.

*Gratitude Practice – LaNae Jaimez & David Williams*

[Google Doc](#) – everyone is encouraged and welcome to contribute to this document. The practice of expressing gratitude feels harder to do when times are tough but that's when the benefits of the practice can best occur. Deans are engaging in this gratitude practice as well. At each Senate meeting, David shares a chapter theme from the book *Leading With Gratitude* for reflection. This week's theme: "Walking in Their Shoes." (Previous practices: "Express Your Gratitude" and "Assume Positive Intent".) {This book is also available as an [e-book via the library](#); please contact Erin Duane if you need help with access.}

## **Committee Reports**

### *Distance Education – John Perez*

The committee is looking at how to implement the [POCR \(OEI\)](#) review process at our campus. If you would like Instructional Design support from Shawna BuShell's consultant group, please reach out to John to connect.

### *Assessment Committee – Andrew Wesley*

No report.

### *Professional Development – Michelle Smith*

The Professional Development Committee thanks all presenters and participants from Spring 2022! We are already planning Fall 2022. Anyone interested in hosting a session is encouraged to submit the [request to present form](#) by Friday, May 13th to be included in the August program. Thursday (Aug 11) afternoon (1-3pm) is reserved for program/department meetings. If your program or department plans to meet during that time, submit the request to present form. We are also gathering materials for an interactive game on auto-caption "fails". Submit your best (or worst?) auto-caption "fails" to [this survey to contribute](#). Thank you!

### **Other**

Please submit your nominations for Distinguished Faculty Awards by 5pm 4/8 to [Christina.Taliaferro@solano.edu](mailto:Christina.Taliaferro@solano.edu).

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