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## SCC ACADEMIC SENATE HOT TOPICS *from the* December 6, 2021 MEETING



### PUBLIC COMMENTS

#### A/S PRESIDENT'S UPDATE

The Interim DE Coordinator position sent and received applicants.  
The annual "Senate After Dark" meeting will take place; a doodle will be sent out  
TLC Task Force Update: a group will meet Wednesday 11-12 (with reps from union and Senate)

#### S/P ESPOSITO-NOY REPORT

Vaccine/Testing Mandate compliance/checking process: on Friday 12/3, texts went out to students noting that without submission of test results or proof of vaccine, students should not come to in-person instruction. Three more employees have been trained for tracking in-person compliance. A cleanup for our mandate's tracking/process is coming for spring semester. Employees will need to upload their documentation for compliance.

Emergency Withdrawal is still available as an option for students.

A mask mandate for Spring 2022 is in the works with legal consultation.

#### VPAA REPORT

Final grades are due the 21<sup>st</sup> with a reminder that submitting grades on time is especially important so that A&R are not delayed, pushing work into the winter holiday.

Spring numbers so far: We have 376 CRNs scheduled with some f2f component, 106 faculty on campus teaching, and potentially 4000+ students on campus. Online classes are filling more quickly than the comparable face to face options.

#### VPSS REPORT

#### CONSENT AGENDA

Proposed Interview Committees for COSM, CIS, and COUN – approved unanimously

#### ACTION ITEMS

*Resolution 12.6.2021 – State of Emergency renewal*

Resolution to renew ability to continue meeting remotely – approved unanimously

*Job Description Standard Text – LaNae Jaimez*

HR reviewed the draft that a task force recently revised and suggested further changes. Senate discussed the revisions and statement extensively. LaNae will consult with Senate Exec for fine tuning after HR can see our comments/concerns from today. – approved unanimously

#### INFORMATION/DISCUSSION

*Return to In-Person AS Meetings/January Meeting – LaNae Jaimez*

### YOUR SENATORS

Andrew Wesley † [LA]  
Anthony Ayala [SBS]  
Erica Beam [ATB]  
Erin Duane\* [LIB]  
Jim Long [M&S]  
Jose Cortes [LA]  
Josh Scott [LA]  
LaNae Jaimez [SBS]  
Lauren Taylor-Hill [SBS]  
Michael Reilly [LA]  
Michelle Arce [SBS]  
Paul Hidy [ATB]  
Rachel Purdie\* [SBS]  
Randy Robertson [M&S]  
Rebecca LaCount [COUN]  
Rhuenette Alums † [ATB]  
Robin Sytsma [HS]  
Vitalis Enemmuo [HS]

\*Senators At-Large  
† Adjunct Faculty  
Representatives

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

An anonymous survey will be sent out so Senators can indicate their comfort level with f2f/hybrid options for meeting.

*Current Hiring Processes – LaNae Jaimez*

Senate discussed ways to include students in interview committees that will set them up for success in the work, to ensure their preparedness and comfort, compensation etc. Senate also discussed other possible areas for revising our hiring process (teaching demos, forums with students, etc.). This topic will be discussed again in January.

**Committee Reports**

*Curriculum Committee – Sarah Barsness*

Equity & Anti-Racism in the Curriculum Process – task force didn’t meet this semester. Ethnic studies courses took front seat though; we will likely have five Ethnic Studies courses approved by the CSU available soon. Local GE revision: hope to bring to Senate first thing in spring.

*Assessment Committee – Andrew Wesley*

The new Adjunct Faculty Flex Compensation form was recently implemented and successfully utilized.

*DE – Erica Beam*

DE’s last meeting of the semester was on Friday 12/3. The final list of courses to teach online was approved. The committee is expressed concern about the coordinator position (with no increased release time). The committee would like to see more support for their work and the coordinator position.

*PD/Flex Cal – Michell Smith*

100 adjunct faculty received compensation for their Flex hours via the new system/form. There was more flex attendance this semester than previous semesters per reporting.

*Guided Pathways Steering Committee - Melissa Reeve*

Promo material (masks, QR codes, welcome tables, etc) are being created to bring people to our GP page in January.

**Other**

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

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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