

ACADEMIC SENATE

Draft Minutes
January 30, 2017
Board Room
3:00 pm – 5:00 pm

1. Call to order

The meeting was called to order by President Michael Wyly at 3:03 pm.

2. Roll Call

Academic Senate: Michael Wyly (President), LaNae Jaimez (Vice President), Erin Duane, Nick Cittadino, Terri Pearson-Bloom, Maravic Macalino, Lue Cobene, Janene Whitesell, Ken Williams, Joel Powell, Sabine Bolz, Andrew Wesley, Narissa Orosco-Woolworth, and Cristina Young.

Guests: Celia Esposito-Noy (Superintendent-President), David Williams Consultant of Academic Affairs), Yulian Ligioso (Vice President of Finance), Amy Obegi, Ferdinanda Florence, and Erica Beam.

Absent:

Scott Parrish, Melissa Reeve, and Rusty Mayes.

3. Agenda approval

President Wyly re-agendized item 10.3 (Faculty Hiring Manual) for future meeting. Senator Whitesell motioned to approved modified agenda. It was seconded by Senator Duane. The agenda was approved unanimously.

4. Approval of Minutes

Senator Young motioned to approve the minutes of November 14, 2016, November 28, 2016, December 12, 2016, and January 12, 2017 (AM/PM) meetings. The motion was seconded by Senator Wesley. The motion was carried unanimously.

5. Comments from the Public

There were no comments from the public.

6. Academic Senate President Report

6.1 Peer Review Self-Assessment Survey Update. President Wyly forwarded the results of Peer Review survey to Superintendent-President Celia Esposito-Noy and Deans. He will also share this information to all committee chairs and reviewers.

6.2 California
Pathways Project and
Grant Update.

Dean Morinec was at Basic Skill Committee's meeting last Friday and presented Pathway Project. The presentation was very well received because it is congruous to the committee's goal. They identified Pathway as a priority and in the process of putting a focus group. Dean Morinec is invited to the Senate's February meeting for additional information and potential action.

6.3 Resolution 12.12.16 Update

President Wyly thanked Superintendent-President Celia Esposito-Noy for initiating a meeting with Lt. Travis at the Sherriff Depart. President Wyly stated that the Sherriff Office is wholly focused on student safety, which aligns with the resolves of Resolution 12.12.16. This corroboration will help ensure students have a safe environment while pursuing higher education at SCC.

6.3 Spring 2017 Plenary Update.

The conference venue will be held at Marriott in San Mateo. President Wyly and Vice President Jaimez will be attending. President Wyly is still in process of selecting a third attendee. Hotel accommodation has been taken care of and registration will be reserved in the near future.

6.4 Update on BP 6021 and BP 6412.

President Wyly reported that the Senates interpretations of both BPs were consistent with how it was in text.

6.5 Election Calendar Reminder President Wyly introduced Ricky Marshall as the new Senator. He will be part of the committee until the end of Spring 2017. President Wyly directed the Senators to review the Election Calendar (please see attached document) and advised them to initiate the election procedures at their next school meeting. Election is scheduled on March 15, 2017.

6.6 Update on Senate ByLaws and Constitution President Wyly announced that a revision will be share with Senators for discussion once procedural language is modified. Both documents are scheduled for ratification by all faculty in Spring 2017.

7. Superintendent Report

Superintendent-President Celia Esposito-Noy has concerns about the present state of the campus. Her meeting with the Sherriff Department fortified her belief in providing safe environment for students. She recommended a coordinated effort for signage around campus. Also, she expressed concerns regarding Federal funding, Perkins, and issuance of student Visas. She'll be working with Shannon Beckham regarding these items to formulate a strategy. There is a list of promising candidates for Vice President of Academic Affairs. Distance Education chair position will be posted soon. Superintendent Esposito-Noy acknowledged Dean Morinec's effort in connecting resources together for Pathway Program.

President Wyly asked Superintendent Esposito-Noy for clarification regarding dual enrollment and incarcerated students. Superintendent Esposito-Noy explained that the College position has always been consistent and classes are offered to High School students on campus and courses are provide in high school campuses. Regarding incarcerated students, she stated that classes offered are based on faculty's availability. Also, focus has changed from General Education to completion with students receiving certification at the end of the

program. At this time, SCC is the only local College that offers in-person teaching in prison.

8. VP of Academic Affairs Report

David Williams expressed his appreciation in working with hardworking and talented faculty staff. He is currently involved in revising the Curriculum and Assessment Handbooks.

9. Consent Agenda – Action Item

There are no items listed for this meeting.

10. Action Items, Including Items Removed From Consent

10.1 To Approve Itemized Priorities For the Academic Senate of Spring 2017 President Wyly stated that the document, Itemized Priorities For Academic Senate of Spring 2017 (see attached document), captured discussion made from previous meetings. Senator Pearson-Bloom motioned to approve the document. It was seconded by Senator Whitesell. The motion was approved unanimously.

10.2 Senate Priorities For Negotiations For CBA by the SCC Faculty Association President Wyly advised the Senators to review Senate Priorities For Negotiations For CBA by the SCC Faculty Association (please see attached document). He will forward this recommendation to Melissa Reeve and Erin Farmer. Senator Pearson-Bloom motioned to approve the recommendations and was seconded by Senator Whitesell. The motion was carried unanimously.

The attached document outlined the following: (a) Increase of release time for positions such as Academic Senate President from 50% to 80%, Vice President to 0%-20%, and Curriculum Committee chair to 0%-50% and/or establish an amount of equivalent FETF which the Senate could allocate per academic year, (b) Senate and its identified subcommittees satisfy the mandatory thirty-six hour flex-cal service based on their participation, (c) CBA requires the College to accommodate service of the Senate and/or its subcommittees, (d) Allow Senate President to appoint faculty member to hiring committees, and (e) Allow part-time faculty equal access to all coordinator positions. Senator Pearson-Bloom motioned to approve and seconded by Senator Duane. The motion was carried unanimously.

FOLLOW UP

(a) President Wyly to evaluate what existing support we are providing Curriculum Committee.

11. Information/Discussion Items

11.1 Budget Update

Vice President of Finance Yulian Ligioso provided budget update referencing the report, Chancellors Office of the California Community

College State Budget (please see attached document). The Governor is predicting recession in the near future as a result of economy's correction mechanism. This is supported by lag of expectations in revenues. The Governor has created a "rainy day fund" for \$9.5B to cover part of forecasted deficit. Under Educational Services, \$150M are assigned for Pathways Program, which benefits Solano Community College. Also, the College received the Governor's award for energy and sustainability in the small college category. Lastly, The Governor is funding 5 out of the 29 approved projects out of Prop 51, which addresses, "critical health and safety needs as well as improving existing instructional infrastructure." However, SCC Library did not qualify under Prop 51. The College is hopeful that its case will be addressed in the May Revise. President Wyly and the Senators wanted to update our application in order for SCC Library to receive additional funding for its renovations.

FOLLOW UP

(a.) President Wyly asked the Senator Duane to form a focus group that would help evaluate the application and to report information by the next meeting.

11.2 Review of Policy 2005.

President Wyly advised the Senators to review BP 2005 for potential action. Should the Senate approve revisions, he will bring this policy to College Governance meeting with modified language that reflects/mirrors what Academic Senate is doing now.

11.3 Curriculum Handbook Update, First Read Revisions were provided to Senators. This item is moved to the next meeting.

11.4 Curriculum and Assessment Update

Senator Duane clarified that the highlighted texts are what had been modified (please see attached document). President Wyly encouraged the Senators to review what had been proposed. David Williams thanked Senator Duane, Michael Wyly, and interim Academic Affair Dean Virginia Gullef for their hard work.

11.5 Discussion Of
Professional Development
Activities or/and Trainings
Per Senate Resolution
12.12.16

Senator Jaimez have been researching training opportunities to offer faculty members regarding this resolution. Faculty members have offered their help in different capacities and to work collaboratively.

Corrine Kirkbride delivered a presentation regarding postcard template she's developed inspired by Women's March. Her goal is to get it ready and make it available to students by next week. The Senators fully support this activity where SCC can provide students outlet and communicate their point of view in safe and positive manner and at the same time educate them about the law. Superintendent-Present

Esposito-Noy stated that she will mention our efforts to her upcoming meeting with ASCC.

11.6 Result of Senate Poll of Adjunct Faculty

This topic has been moved to the next meeting.

12. Reports

12.1 Assessment Update

Amy Obegi, Nancy Howard, and Academic Affairs Consultant David Williams have been reviewing modules that has linking mechanism between plan action and outcomes. Senator Jaimez has been asked to provide feedback. President Wyly suggested to review the revision to ensure that it fits with Accreditation.

12.2 Program Review Update

Ferdinanda Florence explained that the number of students getting Associate Degree, such as Kinesiology, is on a decline. Students are opting to taking classes that are less rigorous. President Wyly recommended forming a subcommittee to address this issue and reach out to David William and Nick Giles for assistance.

13. Other Committee

13.1 Accreditation Self-Study Update Melissa Reeve was absent and unable to provide an update.

14. Upcoming Action Items And/Or Action Reminder

14.1 SARs/Early Alert Effectiveness Vice President Gregory Brown. 14.2 California Pathways Grant – Maire Morinec and Michael Wyly (Feb 6th).

14.3 Basic Skills – Joshua Scott (1st meeting of the month).

14.4 Curriculum – Curtiss Brown (1st meeting of the month).

14.5 Faculty Development/Flex Cal – LaNae Jaimez (1* meeting of the month).

15. Announcement

Graduation is scheduled on Thursday, May 25, 2017 at 6:00 pm. The late start time will allow students and faculty to attend.

16. Adjournment

Senator Pearson-Bloom moved to adjourn the meeting and Senator Macalino seconded. The meeting adjourned at 5:12 pm.

ALL MEETINGS WILL BE HELD FROM 3:00-5:00 PM IN THE BOARD ROOM UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED

February 6, 2017 February 27, 2017 March 6, 2017 March 20, 2017 April 3, 2017 April 17, 2017

Documents Attached

- 1. Election Calendar.
- 2. Itemized Priorities For the Academic Senate of Spring 2017.
- 3. Senate Priorities For Negotiations For CBA by the SCC Faculty Association.
- 4. Chancellor's Office of the California Community College State Budget.
- 5. Curriculum Handbook, First Read.