

# **Solano Community College**

## **Academic Senate CURRICULUM COMMITTEE**

### **MINUTES**

Tuesday, February 22, 2005  
1:30 p.m., Board Room

#### **ROLL CALL**

Present: Robin Arie-Donch, Chair; Glenn Burgess, Chris Duran, Ruth Fuller; Floyd Hogue, Kristine Mercado, Bob Myers, David Nourof; Brad Paschal, Kathy Rosengren, Judy Spencer, Robin Sytsma; Donna Vessels, and Ann Willer

Excused: Curtiss Brown and Erin Farmer

#### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

*All matters listed under the Consent Items are considered routine and will be enacted by the approval of the agenda unless removed from the Consent Items by a Committee member.*

It was moved by Ann Willer and seconded by Bob Myers to approve the agenda as presented.

The motion carried unanimously.

Chair Arie-Donch requested moving to open discussion on the agenda before introductions. There was no objection from the committee.

#### **CONSENT ITEMS – (none)**

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes from December 14, 2004 will be approved at the next regularly scheduled meeting. The meeting scheduled February 8, 2005 was cancelled.

#### **INTRODUCTIONS AND WELCOME OF NEW MEMBERS**

Chair Arie-Donch welcomed the committee back to the first meeting of the spring semester. The committee members introduced themselves to each other. It was noted that Kristine Mercado is the new academic student representative and Chris Duran is the new vocational student representative. David Nourof replaced Debbie Berrett who was not able to continue serving her term this semester.

#### **DISCUSSION OF GE PROCESS AND TIMELINE**

Chair Arie-Donch distributed the revised (2/8/05) general education process and timeline, which has been shared with the Academic Senate, Curriculum Committee and Shared Governance. In order to move the GE discussions and implementation strategies forward in a timely manner, a timeline was developed. The Academic Senate President has put out a call for faculty volunteers to serve on a GE Task Force, whose duties would involve synthesis of the conclusions and recommendations from the division and constituent groups for a new GE requirement. This Task Force would then present recommendations to the Senate and the Curriculum Committee to vote to accept, modify or reject the recommendations made.

The Curriculum Committee recommended eliminating the March 7 and March 8 portion of the timeline (progress reports presented in Senate and Curriculum).

The goal for volunteers for the Task Force will be three faculty members (one from Academic Divisions, one from Student Services and one from the Trade and Technical Division).

## ***DISCUSSION OF GE MATERIAL FROM OTHER CAMPUSES, SHARING AND QUESTIONS AS NEEDED***

The committee discussed the various handouts provided by Chair Arie-Donch prior to the meeting regarding philosophy and procedures for approving general education courses and requirements. In addition, they looked at GE handouts from the following colleges that were distributed at the meeting: SRJC, DVC, Vista, and ARC.

## ***REPORT FROM THE CHAIR***

There was no report from the Chair.

## ***REPORT FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT***

There was no report from the Vice President.

## ***OPEN DISCUSSION***

The Curriculum Committee Membership List for Spring 2005 was distributed. Chair Arie-Donch reminded the committee members whose terms expire at the end of the spring semester to find a replacement or to get re-elected from their specific areas of representation.

Also distributed was the Curriculum Committee Calendar for Spring 2005. It was noted that April 26 is the last meeting for action on curriculum items to be included in the spring 2005 schedule. May 10 is the last meeting for the semester and only resubmitted curriculum proposals will be considered at that time.

## ***ADJOURNMENT***

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 2:35 p.m., to meet again Tuesday, March 8, 2005, in the Board Room (626).

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Attachments:

- Academic Senate/Curriculum Committee Membership List for Spring 2005
- Curriculum Committee Calendar for Spring 2005
- Revised Timeline and Process for GE Requirement
- General Education Requirements Chart
- Santa Rosa Junior College Curriculum Review Committee