

ACADEMIC SENATE

APPROVED MINUTES

August 23, 2021 Meeting via Zoom 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm

1. Call to Order/Land Acknowledgement

We should take a moment to acknowledge the land on which we are gathered. For thousands of years, this land has been the home of PUTT-win people. Today, there are three federally recognized Patwin tribes: CATCH-ill DEE- HEE Band of WIN- tune Indians of the Colusa Indian Community, KLET-SELL DEE-HEE Band of Wintun Indians, and YO-chuh DEE-HEE Wintun Nation.

The Patwin people have remained committed to the stewardship of this land over many centuries. It has been cherished and protected, as elders have instructed the young through generations. We are honored and grateful to be here today on their traditional lands.

2. Roll Call

Academic Senate Officers: LaNae Jaimez (President), Josh Scott (Vice President), Erin Duane (Secretary/Treasurer, At-Large), and Michael Wyly (Past President/Ex-Officio)

Academic Senate: Andrew Wesley, Anthony Ayala, Erica Beam, Jim Long, Jose Cortes, Lauren Taylor-Hill, Michael Reilly, Paul Hidy, Rachel Purdie, Randy Robertson, Rebecca LaCount, Rhuenette Alums, Robin Sytsma, and Vitalis Enemmuo

Open (Administrative Assistant)

Ex Officio:

Andrew Wesley (Assessment Chair), Erica Beam (Distance Education Chair), Heather Watson-Perez (Student Success and Equity Chair), Michelle Smith (Professional Development/Flex Cal Chair), Rachel Purdie (Academic Program Review Chair), and Sarah Barsness (Curriculum/Tech Review Chair)

Guests: Celia Esposito-Noy (Superintendent-President) David Williams (Vice President of Academic Affairs), and Shannon Cooper (Vice President of Student Services)

3. Agenda Approval

August 23, 2021. Sen. Ayala motioned, Sen. Scott seconded. Motion passed.

4. Approval of Minutes

May 12, 2021 morning session. Recommendation to add the roster to the minutes.

May 12, 2021 afternoon session. Sen. LaCount motioned for approval of both minutes, Sen. Long seconded. Motion passed.

Comments from the Public

Members of the public may address the Senate on any item withinthe Senate's purview that is not on the agenda. The Senate will nottake action on any issue raised during this section of the agenda since Senate action is limited to posted agenda items. At the Senate President's discretion, these matters may be referred to Senate Executive Board and/or placed on a future agenda. Speakers are asked to limit their comments to a maximum of three minutes.

Sen. LaCount asked for volunteers to serve as readers for the Scholarship Committee. Contact her for details.

6. AS President Update

Academic Senate President Report (10 minutes)

- 6.1 Tenure Tea and Distinguished Faculty Celebration. Delayed due to Covid restrictions; will reschedule possibly during October flex.
- 6.2 2021 Fall Plenary Session. Held Nov. 4-6 in Long Beach. Will be in a hybrid format with one in-person spot per college. Let President Jaimez know if you are interested in a virtual or in-person slot.
- 6.3 Credit for prior learning task force. The task force has a few issues left to resolve and will finish the Administrative Procedure soon for presentation to the Academic Senate.
- 6.4 Ethnic studies graduation requirement task force. Articulation Officer Ashlie Lawson has been taking the lead on finding out the details of the ethnic studies requirement. The Curriculum Committee is leading a task force set up for this.
- 6.5 October December Senate meeting plans. Pending changes to the Brown Act COVID relaxation of rules, President Jaimez will be sending out a document with meeting dates to secure in-person commitments to achieve quorum.
- 6.6 Vaccine mandate. This was discussed at the recent Board of Trustees meeting. The Board directed the Superintendent-President to provide options for a vaccine mandate.
- 6.7 Other. President Jaimez thanked the PDFC for a successful flex and convocation. The Accreditation Midterm Report draft will be shared at the September 13 Senate meeting.

7. Superintendent-President Report

Has been discussing a vaccine mandate with Legal Counsel. Planning something that is fair and manageable that also has some flexibility built into it. Will take a recommendation to the Board of September 15 after hearing from the bargaining units.

A finalist for the VP of Finance position will meet with the Board this week.

Enrollment is down this fall (about 12%). We are still in "hold harmless" so our funding remains stable, but we are increasing outreach and will look to increase student success numbers to aid us in the funding formula.

The state granted us 7 full-time faculty positions with ongoing funding. The new ethnic studies requirement compels us to look at that discipline as a potential hire.

8. VP of Academic Affairs Report

We will have an accreditation process training by the ACCJC on September 17 from 1-4pm. Those interested in participating in accreditation should contact VP Williams to be included in the training. There is some reassigned available as we get closer to our 2024 visit.

Students seemed to have trouble finding classes understanding the online modalities this fall (for example, "TBA" for asynchronous online meeting times is confusing). We may require faculty to contact students on their roster prior to the start of classes to ensure that students have clarity.

9. VP of Student Services Report

Tutors for the ASTC have been hired and it is ready to go.

The Office of Research & Planning is short-staffed right now, so please be patient as we manage data requests. We are posting a position for a Dean of Research as well as for another staff researcher.

Counselors are booked out for two weeks. Encourage students to be proactive and schedule counseling appointments early.

We will be hiring 1-2 additional outreach specialists to focus on special populations.

We had a Guided Pathways retreat prior to the semester and have hired coordinators aligned to each of the PACE categories (meta-majors). Our next step is to hire student success teams.

10. Consent Agenda – Action Item

No items

11. Action Items, Including Items Removed from Consent

- 11.1 Hiring Priorities Timeline 2022 23 (10 min). President Jaimez presented a draft of the timeline. Sen. Long motioned to accept; Sen. Ayala seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- 11.2 Change of meeting date from 12/13 to 12/6. Sen. Scott motioned; Sen. Ayala seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

12. Information/Discussion

- 12.1 Why are we here reflection. (10 min) President Jaimez asked members to reflect for a moment on why they are working at SCC. It was suggested that they remember their reason for being here when they feel exhausted or overwhelmed.
- 12.2 Faculty Mentor Task Force (5 min) Met two years ago and will reconvene to continue this work. Sens. Beam, Barsness, Purdie, Wesley, Ayala, and Alums volunteered to participate.
- 12.3 Review of Peer Review Process Task Force (5 min) This group will continue to meet.
- 12.4 Stanback-Stroud Award nomination Awards committee (2 min). Sen. Wesley will reach out to Distinguished Faculty awardees to see if they are interested in applying.
- 12.4 Commitment to DEI, Anti-Racist Practices and Equity in Education LaNae Jaimez (5 minutes). President Jaimez asked members to share, but some felt that other venues were more appropriate for this.

12.4a SESC - these reports will resume next month

12.4b Curriculum

12.4c Other

13. Reports

Reports will resume next month.

14. Other Committees

N/A

15. Upcoming Items and/or Action Reminder

N/A

16. Adjournment

Sen. Scott motioned; Sen. Wesley seconded. Meeting adjourned.

ALL MEETINGS WILL BE HELD FROM 3:00-5:00 PM I VIA ZOOM UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.

September 13, 2021

September 27, 2021

October 11, 2021 (Brown Act Exemption expires)

October 25, 2021

November 8, 2021

November 22, 2021

November 29, 2021 (Special Meeting: Hiring Priorities)

December 13, 2021 (change to Dec 6th?)

January 13, 2022

February 14, 2022

February 28, 2022

March 14, 2022

March 28, 2022

April 18, 2022

April 25, 2022

May 9, 2022 May 16, 2022 (Tentative)