



COLLEGE GOVERNANCE COUNCIL MINUTES

**Wednesday, March 27, 2024
Honeychurch Boardroom
3:00 – 4:00 PM**

1. Call to Order/Land Acknowledgement

The meeting was called to order at 3:02 PM with a reading of the Land Acknowledgement Statement. Superintendent-President Dr. Celia Esposito-Noy chaired.

Roll Call

Members Present: Shanan Danley (Minority Coalition), Josh Scott (Faculty), Erin Farmer (Faculty), Dean Sandy Lamba (Administration), Rei Leal (Classified/CSEA), Jeff Lehfeldt (Classified/Local 39), Diana Solis (ASSC)

Absent: Rhuenette Alums (Minority Coalition), Oscar Gonzalez (Classified/Local 39 Alternate) Sal Abbate (Administration)

Advisory Members Present: S-P Celia Esposito-Noy VP Susan Wheet, VP Jon Cornelison, VP David Williams, Dean Nathan Rexford

Absent: VP Lisa Neeley

Others Present: Claire Gover (Secretary), Commodore St. Germain (SESC), Tony Zitko (Dean of External Programs), Erica Beam (Faculty)

2. Approval of Agenda

VP Neeley had a conflict and could not attend. In her absence, Dean Rexford will present item 8b. VP Williams will present 8c. Item 8a will be tabled. The amended agenda was approved.

3. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of February 28, 2024 were approved.

4. Public Comment

There were no comments from the public.

5. Superintendent-President's Update

S-P Celia Esposito-Noy provided an update on several facilities projects. Construction on the quad is underway and will be completed in Fall. The construction of the swimming pool deck and seating is complete. The new Toddler Center is almost complete. We are modernizing Cosmetology B1600. Building 300 is being renovated and will include a beautiful Adjunct Faculty Workspace. Portables will be placed close to B1200 to accommodate Early College HS and other folks from B300. Dean Ryan has reserved a lab in B2700 for ECHS science classes. The taxidermy mounted birds will be handled respectfully. Restrooms in buildings 700 & 800 will be renovated (one at a time) and a portable restroom will be located close to these buildings until renovations are completed.

We will be redoing the bond spending plan which will address electronic signage, roundabouts and a lighting study.

6. Associated Students Report

Diana Solis provided a report on the events and collaborations of the Associated Students, the Inter Club Council, and their work in progress. The ASSC has been very active this year in bringing back student engagement, building partnerships, advocacy efforts, and improving the student experience. They have gathered student feedback through a student life survey (qrcode). Please see attached report for more information.

7. Academic Affairs Update

- a. The following set of Academic Affairs Board Policies in series 6000 was presented to the CGC as an information item in January. Revisions to content were not necessary. VP David Williams brought them back for approval. Dean Rexford recommended we revise BP 6070 by adding online or “correspondence” instruction. The CGC took action and endorsed the renewal of these policies including the recommended revision to BP 6070. These will go to the Governing Board for approval.

6000	Course Repetition
6020	Open Enrollment in Course
6021	Multiple and Overlapping Enrollments
6023	Prerequisites, Co-requisites, and Course Advisories
6030	Advanced Placement
6040	Credit-By-Examination
6070	Final Examinations
6110	Contract Education
6200B	Graduation Requirements for Baccalaureate Degree
6203	Honorary Degrees
6205	Philosophy & Criteria for Associate Degree & General Ed
6205B	Philosophy & Criteria for Baccalaureate Degree & Gen Ed
6411	Grade Changes
6420	College Catalog

- b. Board Policies 6105 Academic Renewal and 6430 Academic Freedom - Revisions

The Academic Senate reviewed these policies and made well thought out recommended changes. BP6430 was updated with more current language. We have ensured that language required by the Community College League of California is included. New drafts were presented as first reading. Please send feedback between now and the next meeting to VP Williams.

- c. Compressed Calendar. The Academic Calendar Committee is in the process of considering moving to a compressed calendar which means that instead of the 17 ½-wk semester in the Fall and Spring we have now, moving to a 16 – 16.8-wk semester. The implications are possibly starting the Fall or Spring terms later or having more time between the Summer and Fall. Instructors will still have the same number of minutes in class, just a shorter number of weeks. For students, the period to withdraw without a notation will be earlier. All of our surrounding districts are on a compressed calendar. For further information, please see the [FAQ page](#)

located under the Academic Calendar Committee webpage. Suggestions to the FAQs are welcome. We will conduct a survey of students, faculty, and staff. If you know someone who is attending school with a compressed calendar district, we encourage you to ask how it is working for them. We already have our 25-26 Academic Calendar approved and we want to move thoughtfully through this process so if we choose to implement a compressed calendar it would not be in effect for a few years. We will need to alert our Governing Board of our intention, get their feedback, and apply at the Chancellor's Office.

d. Local GE

Title V updates required us to align our local degree with CalGETC which added ethnic studies and a few other requirements. After much discussion, the Curriculum Committee recently approved a structure for our new local GE. We retained local health and wellness and cross-cultural requirements. We will have to revise our local degree, transfer degrees, general education pathways, and catalog.

8. Student Services Update

- a. Basic Needs - Tabled.
- b. Strategic Plan – Dean Rexford thanked the group for bringing up Strategic Plan work to other constituency leaders and helping to identify 1-2 representatives from each area to work on the Plan. The first meeting will likely take place around mid/end of April. Over the Summer he will research resources through a subscription with the Society for College University Planning to find good examples from other college so that we can resume work immediately in Fall, establish best practices, and lay a foundation.
- c. I am Solano Campaign – VP Williams gave an update on the campaign which was intended to be a multi-prong campaign to instill a sense of pride in our institution. There have been several videos on our website highlighting outstanding graduates and employees who embody the Solano spirit. We are working to build a website where we compile these stories. In the quad, we will have I am Solano banners with images of people and possibly a QR code directly to the website. We are excited to highlight the amazing people who make our college community.

9. Student Equity and Success Council

Com St. Germain, our new Student Equity and Success Coordinator, presented a proposed structure for the Council that is inclusive, dynamic and fluid depending on the participation that semester, structured, and representative of our college in relation to administration, classified, faculty, students, departments and purpose. See attached structure and rationale. Com welcomed feedback from the group. VP Williams suggested including the charge and reporting responsibilities of the committee and updating the committee's information on our website.

10. Adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 3:54 PM