



Senate Nanoseconds

What Faculty Need to Know

A concise summary of Senate business conducted at a Senate Board meeting. Complete minutes available on the PCC Website.

November 8, 2010 Senate Board Meeting

Ad Hoc Committee on the Student Transfer Achievement Reform Act (SB 1440): This committee will lay the groundwork for examining the nature of current degrees and how they can be adapted to comply with SB 1440. Also, new transferable degrees may be developed.

Educational Policies Committee: Dr. Ahni Armstrong informed the Board that a new unpaid wait list of 30 students per class is planned for spring 2011. If a student drops from the paid roster, the next wait-listed student will be informed of the opening, by phone or email. Contact Dr. Jacobs at x7205 with comments.

Distance Education (DE) Committee: three recommendations were approved by the Senate Board: #115a—Student Grievance Process, #115b--Student Course Feedback Survey and #116—Distance Education Faculty Evaluation, with Addendum.

Chancellor Scott's Priorities in Class Scheduling: in a memorandum to CEOs, CIOs and CBOs, Dr. Scott made the recommendation that "it is the intent of the Legislature that community college districts...shall implement any necessary workload reductions in areas **other** than basic skills, workforce training, and transfer."

Institutional Effectiveness Committee (IEC): this Committee is now in place-- selecting meeting times, beginning a mission statement, and reviewing the progress at PCC. First meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, 11/09 at noon.

Ad Hoc Title 5 Committee: A sustainability-across-the-curriculum section was added to Policy #4062, the Philosophy of Degrees and General Education, and approved by the Senate Board. Linguistics was added as an option for Social and Behavioral Sciences and Humanities.

PCCFA: The faculty union negotiating team is in fourth session negotiations. They proposed that part-time instructors receive paid office hours, health care benefits, and hireback rights. Additionally, they wanted CEC faculty to be brought up to parity with faculty on the main campus.

Announcements:

1. New Ed.D. Cohort in Community College Leadership at CSUN: For more information, contact Dr. Janice Friedel, (818) 677-3154.
2. ASCCC Fall Plenary Session—November 11-13, Anaheim, CA