



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.

October 25, 2010 Senate Board Meeting

Update for PCC Budget 2010-2011: Dr. Rick Van Pelt provided a thorough review of revenues and expenditures for 2009-2010, with projected 2010-2011 budget figures, on the understanding that the state's exact budget for community colleges is still unknown.

Distance Education (DE) Committee: two recommendations came forward for review by the Senate Board: #115b –Student Course Feedback Survey and #116—Distance Education Faculty Evaluation, with addendum. No vote was taken so as to provide more time for study by faculty.

Ad Hoc Committee on the Student Transfer Achievement Reform Act (SB 1440): Armando Duran will chair this new committee, which is authorized to enact and recommend Associate degree changes mandated by SB 1440. Faculty members interested in participating on this committee are encouraged to contact Armando Duran at extension 7148.

Senate Goals and Objectives for 2010-2011: based on PCC's Strategic Plan 2010-2012, the Senate added objectives which align with the Strategic Initiatives of the College.

Institutional Effectiveness Committee (IEC): Dr. Jim Bickley was appointed as Faculty Co-chair of this committee. Faculty appointees were approved also.

Ad Hoc Title 5 Committee: A sustainability-across-the-curriculum section was added to proposed Policy #4062, the Philosophy and Criteria for Associate Degrees and General Education. This item was tabled for further discussion need for clarification of the roles of ESL and linguistics in the general education curriculum.

College President Rocha's Progress Plans: Senate President Edward Martinez shared information from the Board of Trustees Retreat about several of President Rocha's initiatives, which are:

1. expansion of distance education programs.
2. U Building renovation, removal, or rebuilding.
3. revenue enhancement opportunities.
4. acquisition of a large Title 5 grant to develop more learning communities on campus.

Announcements:

1. ASCCC Resolution Information Session—Wed., October 27, 2-3:30pm in the Library Terrace Room
2. ASCCC Area C meeting – Sat., October 30, Los Angeles Pierce College
3. ASCCC Fall Plenary Session—November 11-13, Anaheim, CA