



# 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.  
September 26, 2011 Academic Senate Board Meeting

**Information Items:** President Rocha reviewed some of the Board of Trustee goals (see 9/12/11 mins.) for this year that came out of their September 10<sup>th</sup> retreat and extended an invitation to the whole campus to attend Wednesday's College Counsel/Town Hall meeting in the Creveling Lounge at 2:30 where these goals, particularly realignment, will be discussed.

**Campus Initiatives:** Beverly Tate, as Coordinator of the College Diversity Initiative, announced a Committee Meeting on Thursday (9/29/11) at 12:00 pm in the Terrace Room. The Committee is sponsoring a lecture by Dr. Gandara Thursday, November 10, 2011 at 6:00 pm in Creveling Lounge on Latino and African-American Community Colleges student success. Nika Hogan announced PCC PATHWAYS' First Year Experience Speaker's Series (see fliers in your emails and around campus for dates & locations) and invited all on campus to become involved to support the success of first-year and continuing students. Beverly Tate also underscored the Professional Development sessions as part of the PATHWAYS series.

**Executive Committee Recommendations:** The following appointments were approved: Phil Ricards and Loknath Persaud to the campus-wide Calendar Committee. Edward Martinez as co-chair to the Enrollment Management Standing Committee, Saeed Abedzadeb to the Senate's Rank Committee, Lauren Arenson to the campus-wide Sustainability Committee and Rod Foster to the hiring committee for PCC Foundation Executive Director.

**Senate President's Report:** There is NO Flex-day this calendar year and any calendars that indicate a Flex-day are in error. Edward Martinez also reviewed the Senate's goals for the year, including policy revisions to Student Conduct and Academic Integrity, Program discontinuance, Prerequisites and Co-requisites, Faculty Hiring, and the adoption of a Sustainability policy and possibly a policy on CLEP testing among other goals from the Senate retreat on September 10<sup>th</sup>. A Candidates' forum is being coordinated by the Academic Senate, Faculty Association, Associated Students and possibly the Management Association and is tentatively planned for the end of October.

**Secretary's Report:** Martha Bonilla apologized for an error in the last Nanoseconds. The College has a surplus of \$2.14 million (NOT a deficit) that is being held in reserve should there be a shortfall in State revenues (see full minutes 9/12/11 for correct information).

**Treasurer's Report:** Dan Haley will be visiting the Divisions to encourage faculty involvement & financial support of the Senate's on-going mission and activities.

**Standing Information Items:** PCCFA meets every 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month C-333.

