



# 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.

### June 4, 2012 Academic Senate Board Meeting

Announcements: Senate President J. Edward Martinez was presented with a *Resolution of Appreciation* for his service and dedication to the Academic Senate, college governance, faculty staff and students. Academic Senate Annual Breakfast, Friday, June 15, 2012 -7:30 am, Creveling Lounge. Tickets are on sale at the College Bank (B203) for \$20.00.

Faculty Association for California Community Colleges: Jonathan Lightman, guest speaker, gave a demonstration of how to send pre-written communications to the entire assembly or senate budget committees through the FACCC web site at [www.FACCC.org](http://www.FACCC.org) under "Point and Click". He reviewed SB1062, SB1456, AB1741 and SB1550. The State Academic Senate, FACCC, and major unions are opposed to SB1550 that introduces a two-tier cost system pilot program for CTE classes. Also, FACCC is recruiting faculty interested in serving on a leadership committee.

Planning and Priorities Committee: Co-Chair, Bob Miller, introduced the Administration's Interim Plan for consideration and a vote. After much discussion the Administration's recommended Interim Plan was voted down and the Interim plan on which the Senate began voting last session (previously emailed to faculty) was approved. The recommendations are as follows: Health Sciences, Natural Sciences (Kinesiology and Health Components of KHA Division), English, Languages, Social Sciences, Library, Math (Computer Science to Math), VAMS (Architecture and Fashion), Business, E&T and CEC should continue with deans. There should be a director of all CTE programs across campus. Task Team 2 is continuing its work on the long-term aspect of the alignment plan under the direction of Valerie Foster. Those interested in serving on this committee may contact D. Harvey.

Enrollment Management Committee: Edward Martinez & Bob Miller, co-chairs, recommended a vote on Policy 4020 (Enrollment and Class Scheduling Priorities). There was discussion concerning new in-district and continuing students' access to classes under the new registration priorities for students. There were also concerns over scheduling priority given to classes for the new CSU transfer degrees before IGETC classes, transferable to UC and private universities. Policy 4020 was approved.

Distance Education Committee: Sandy Haynes, co-chair, reviewed the committee's mission and reiterated the recommendation that the course enrollment cap (NCN) for distance education courses be 30 unless the face-to-face course is less than 30 in which case the default is the face-to-face NCN. This recommendation (# 107) was approved by the DE Committee, December, 2009, the Academic Senate in March 2010, sent to the FA in April 2010, and reviewed by the Deans in September 2011.

Executive Committee Recommendations: The modifications to new Professional Development Policy (#6030) were approved. Tom Berg and Danny Hamman were reappointed to the College Council's Budget and Resource Allocation Committee. Keith Oberlander was reappointed as faculty co-chair of the Budget and Resource Allocation Committee and A.C. Panella was appointed to the same committee (BRAC).