

Senate Nanoseconds

A Summary of the 17 March 2014 Academic Senate Board Meeting

Standing/Ad Hoc/Campus-Wide Committee Reports

1. BRAC Co-Chair Danny Hamman reported that committee has been discussing integrated planning for budgeting, that a revised annual budget process will begin February 2015, that ongoing discussions continue concerning faculty reassign/release time numbers, and that the effect of campus restructuring on reassign time needs review.

Senate Executive Committee Recommendations

1. President Cairo reported on the difficulty of providing faculty to serve on the numerous hiring committees on short notice and that HR can move forward with hiring committee processes even if faculty volunteer names are not submitted.
2. Senate suggested that HR should provide defined hiring committee timelines and develop clear-cut hiring committee policies to avoid appearance of bias of those serving on committees.

Academic Senate Appointments

1. Ad Hoc Intellectual Property Committee: Lauren Arenson, Stephanie Fleming, Rod Foster, Dan Haley, Kaitzer P. Puglia
2. Bylaws Rules and Procedures Committee: Kris Pilon
3. Scholarship Committee: Paulette Koubek-Yao
4. Associate Vice President, Student Affairs Hiring Committee: James Aragon, Michael McClellan, Charlene Potter
5. Controller Hiring Committee: Julie Kiotas, Eduardo A. Cairo
6. Associate Vice President, Enrollment Services Hiring Committee: James Aragon, Patricia D'Orange-Martin, Eduardo A. Cairo
6. Associate Vice President, Strategic Planning Innovation Hiring Committee: Kris Pilon, Terry Stoddard, Kristin Hyatt
7. Dean of Student Life Hiring Committee: Dave Cuatt, Suzanne Anderson, Rita D'Amico
8. Ombudsperson Hiring Committee: Danny Hamman, Rod Foster, Yolanda McKay
9. Dean, School of Science and Mathematics Hiring Committee: Tammy Knott-Silva, Martha House, Linda Hintzman
10. Associate Dean, Pathways and Professional Learning: Rob Lee, Kris Pilon, Lauren Arenson, Julie Kiotas
11. Dean, Instructional Support Hiring Committee Volunteers: Stephanie Fleming, Dave Cuatt, Melissa Michelson

Information Items

1. Peter Castro reported that Senate Scholarship Committee had unanimously rejected the Foundation's proposed scholarship selection process; the Senate voted to support the Scholarship Committee's recommendation to continue its current application process.
2. Distribution of the Evaluation of the President – Academic Senate Evaluation Committee of the President Chairman Loknath Persaud read comments from the Board through a letter from General Counsel that the Board would neither recognize nor consider any evaluation or survey of the President/Superintendent by the Academic Senate or by any ad hoc committee not indicated in the process set forth in Board Policy 6080. Public Comment may be submitted, however, at a regularly scheduled Board meeting. The Senate tabled any further discussion of the evaluation's distribution until senators obtain feedback from constituents.
3. Academic Senate voted unanimously to approve Letter of Endorsement of BSN Degree and send to Chancellor Harris once grammatical changes are made.
4. Proposed Faculty Conference Travel Application for SASI funding, created by Dr. Lynn Wright, Chair of Faculty Development Committee, was presented. Suggested revisions will be forwarded to Dr.

Wright and revised application will be presented at next Senate meeting.

5. Draft of Senate Resolution concerning Block Scheduling presented for review and possible action at the next meeting.

6. Proposed Senate Resolution asking Board to return to its former evaluation policy of the President that allowed anonymous faculty input presented for review and possible action at next meeting.

7. Reconvening of Calendar Standing Committee will be addressed at next meeting.

8. Name of replacement for C&I Committee Chair will be submitted to the Senate by the C&I Committee. C&I Bylaws state that Chair must be a member who has served at least one year on this committee.

Academic Senate Presentations

1. Update on Distant Learning: Leslie Tirapelle, Interim Dean, Distance Education, reported on the Directors of Education Technology for Higher Education in California Conference which focused on the infrastructure of developing CCC online Educational Initiative.

2. Project Leap Monitoring – Larissa Villa, Project Leap Coordinator