

Senate Nanoseconds

A summary of the 21 April 2014 Senate Board Meeting

Standing/ Ad Hoc/Campus-Wide Committee Reports

1. C&I Committee Co-Chairs J. Dwyer and L. Chaffee reported on course review process/timelines; transfer renewals; certificate of completion levels; course modification development; renewal of a number of AA/AS degrees; approval of new levels of certificates for completion for non-credit ELS; course modification; implementation of honors program across all divisions and presentation of policy for Senate review. 2. Adjunct Faculty Issues Committee Chair Mark Dodge reported that membership has increased, that several adjunct faculty issues resolutions have been written, and that Lynora Rogacs, Preston Rose, Alexis Moore, and the Senate Executive Committee should be thanked for their support. 3. Calendar Standing Committee will meet Thursday, April 24 for its first meeting of Fall 2013/ Spring 2014 semesters. 4. Distance Education Chair L. Arenson reported that committee membership is now representative of almost every division; IP policy has been developed/approved; DE sub-committee is developing campus-wide Intellectual Property policy; office hours policy has been completed/approved; issue that still needs addressing is whether conference hours must be held if instructor is on sick leave. 5. L. Arenson reported that the Senate Educational Policies Committee has been reinstated. 6. Scholarship Committee Chair A. McGaharn sent written report announcing the awarding of 7 scholarships at reception today for 2014 Dean's Honor and Keith Miller Educational Scholarships. 7. Intellectual Property Committee Member D. Haley reported that committee is developing stronger intellectual property rights for students and faculty. 8. Bylaws Committee Chair J. Fleming sent written report of committee activities; resigned as chair and will be replaced by E. Weydahl. 9. Equivalency Committee report from S. Ling read by E. Cairó. 10. Learning Assessment Committee Chair M. Henes reported that campus assessment completion rate is almost 70%; rubrics to assess GEOS 3, 4, and 5 are being developed; committee needs more FT and Adjunct Faculty involvement and more committee members. 11. Faculty Development Committee – E. Cairó reports that SASI funding for faculty travel/conferences is available; faculty input needed to help committee present “other” uses for SASI funding to Senate for discussion; recommended that “other” include adjunct travel conference requests. 12. Nominations and Elections – Gloria Horton will handle Academic Senate Nominations and Election process. 13. Ralph Story/Unsung Hero Committee Chair J. Dwyer reported that awardees will be presented at Annual Senate Breakfast. 14. Sabbatical Leave Committee report read by E. Cairó: Workshops held first week in October; attendance recommended for applicants; applications due before 1 November; sabbatical approval of 2-4% of FT equivalent faculty is presented to the BOT by the President. 15. Town Hall Committee Chair M. Michelson reported on the Fall and Spring Town Halls; Town Hall web page now available on Senate web site; suggestions for next year may be emailed to committee. 16. Benefits Committee member M. Erin Crook reported that this reinstated committee will be looking at benefits and workshops that faculty would like; email asking for feedback will be sent out to Academic/Adjunct Monthly faculty. 17. Reassigned Time Committee Chair M. Perea reported on the committee's four concerns: identify/define necessary reassign time positions; identify needs created through restructuring; identify process for incidental and temporary reassignments; and balance loss of FT faculty to reassign time. 18. Rank Committee Chair P. Lynn presented names for Spring 2014 rank advancement for Senate approval: Professor Emeritus: Dr. Kent Yamauchi; Associate Professor: Elsie Rivas Gomez, Dr. Michael L. McClellan, Dr. Robert Oventile; Assistant Professor: Amy Cheung, Charlene Potter; Adjunct Assistant Professor: Zarik Evinyan, Valerio Giovanelli, Alvard Tsvikyan; and Carlos B. Vasquez.

Executive Committee Recommendations

Board unanimously voted to approve: Gia Gambaro Blount (CEC) to Learning Assessment Committee; Associate Dean, Non-Credit Hiring Committee Members: Steve Pell (Languages), Dorothy Potter (Library), Khuloud Sweimeh (Sciences and Mathematics; Scheduling Technician Hiring Committee

Member John Sepikas (Science and Mathematics); Intermediate Clerk I Hiring Committee Members: Terry Stoddard (Natural Sciences and Kinesiology, Shelley Gaskin (Business); Intermediate Clerk II Hiring Committee Members: T. Stoddard (Natural Sciences and Kinesiology); Shelley Gaskin (Business); Melissa Michelson (Language)

Information Items

1. Voted unanimously to support resolution presented by Coleman Griffith requesting that any future attempt to move the PCC Architecture Department from its location in VAMS be postponed until all issues may be properly vetted through all participatory governance committees on campus concerning its relocation. 2. Voted unanimously to approve summer hiring pool process. 3. Voted to approve 3 extra fully functional Senate meetings, one in May, June, and July. 4. Voted unanimously to approve removal of Career and Technical Education Committee, Evaluation Committee of the President, Faculty Governance & Innovation (Task Team 3), Faculty Lecturer/Performance, and Fundraising Committees from Academic Senate Committee Roster. 5. Motion to approve Senate Committee term limits to 2 years failed. 6. Proposed Senate Resolution on Inclusivity and Diversity tabled until 5 May 2014 meeting. 7. M. Michelson reported on Service Learning Conference, funded through SASI, and recommended that Senate form Ad Hoc Committee to research, develop and implement Service Learning Program. 8. Drop Down Menu on Senate website will be created for faculty volunteers to serve on Ad Hoc Service Learning Committee, Scheduling Issues Committee, and Faculty Development Committee. 9. President Cairó requested Senate input to increase faculty participation on hiring Committees. 10. President Cairó will report on ASCCC and CCLC Technical Visit at 5 May 2014 meeting. 11. Requested that Senate Resolution be written in support of A. Delman's request that Administration provide her with data in a timely manner; requested that Senate Resolution be written to suspend implementation of realignment. 12. Dan Haley reported that Hiring Policy #6100 is not being correctly followed. Recommends that when the H&P Committee meets in the beginning of the next academic year that it help advise the Senate President in developing the list.

Executive Committee Reports

1. Executive Committee reported on the 2014 ASCCC Spring Plenary; workshops included Accreditation, Distance Education, Offering of Applied Baccalaureate Degrees at CCC's. For more information regarding Senate Resolutions, both passed and failed, see www.asccc.org. 2. Reported on discussion with Dr. Bell concerning whether Flex Day expenses could be funded with SASI funding. Flex Day Committee needs to be created followed by application of SASI funds. 3. President Cairó reported on the status of Evaluation of the President; results of the evaluation will not be released until after meeting with BOT President Fellows and Trustee Thompson; afterwards a copy, of the information will be made available in the Senate Office. 4. Treasurer Dan Haley said he was honored to have served the Senate for three years as Treasurer.

PCCFA Report

FA/ Administration working group have met and will continue to meet regularly to discuss issue of department chairs.

Adjunct Faculty Report

Mark Dodge thanked the Senate for its support this year.

Senate Appreciation

The Senate Board thanked Treasurer Dan Haley and Vice President Earlie Douglas for their service to the Senate and to PCC. They will be greatly missed!

Announcements

Senate Breakfast, 9 May 2014, 7:30 to 9:30am—tickets on sale at Campus Bank - \$20.00.