

## Senate Nanoseconds

### A Summary of the 8 September 2014 Senate Board Meeting

#### **Guest Speakers and Introductions**

The new Interim Superintendent/President Robert Miller introduced himself to the Academic Senate, acknowledged the Academic Senate Board's role in academic and professional matters, and anticipated future opportunities for Administration and Academic Senate to work together by communicating both formally and informally.

The new Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs Kathleen Scott, Associate Vice President of Strategic Planning and Innovation Ryan Cornner, and Professor Julie Kiotas, President, PCCFA was introduced to the Senate Board.

#### **Executive Committee Reports**

1. President Cairo reported on Academic Senate, 6 September 2014, Retreat discussion of Senate Board meeting times, Senate Board procedures for Senate comments/debate, and for Public Comments.
2. President Cairo directed Senators to forward questions concerning the EMP report in Senate handouts to Associate VP of Strategic Planning and Innovation Ryan Cornner who is invited to 22 September 2014 Senate Board meeting to address these questions.
3. President Cairo announced that HR will be offering a 4 hour EOP training session on Oct. 1 Professional Learning Day and that HR has stated additional training sessions may not be held until Spring 2015 and that no faculty can serve on hiring committees beginning 2015 without completing EOP training workshop.
4. President Cairo reported on Senate Executive Committee meeting with Interim Superintended/President Robert Miller, Vice Presidents Cynthia Olivo, Kathleen Scott, Ryan Cornner, and Dean Brock Klein concerning APL's program for faculty professional development. It was decided that until a college-wide Policy on Professional Development is written and approved stipulating the Academic Senate's purview over faculty professional development and the role of APL in college-wide professional development activities that APL will bring to the Academic Senate for its approval APL's 2014-2015 planned activities for faculty professional development.
5. President Cairo reported that at the last College Council it was announced that all PCC employees will receive an IT request that campus internet passwords must be changed to include at least 8 characters.
6. Senate Vice President Kris Pilon reported that the college is moving towards a final draft of its accreditation report soon to be forwarded to the entire campus for review/feedback.
7. Senate Secretary Pat Rose informed Senators that the Application for Academic Senate Conference Travel Funds (distributed at today's meeting) will posted to the Senate Web site by Tuesday, September 9<sup>th</sup>.
8. Senate Treasurer Manny Perea reported that \$237.00 was spent for refreshments at the 6 September 2014 Academic Senate Retreat.

#### **Executive Committee Recommendations**

1. Voted to approve Carla Christenson to serve on the Academic Senate Learning Assessment Committee.
2. Voted to approve James J. Aragon and Tomas S. Riojas to serve on the Student Affairs Advisor Hiring Committee.
3. Voted to ratify appointment of Melissa Michelson to the Adjunct Faculty Issues Committee
4. Voted to ratify appointment of Mark Whitworth to the Distance Education Committee.
5. Voted to ratify appointment of Michelle Ireland-Galman to the Equivalency Committee
6. Voted to ratify Mark Sakata, Yoshi Yamato, and Coleman Griffith to the Space Planning Manager of Facilities Design and Construction Committee.

7. Voted to ratify appointment of Mary-Erin Crook, Patricia D'Orange-Martin, Shelley Gaskin, Gena Lopez, Kris Pilon, Kaitzer P. Puglia, Elsie Rivas-Gomez, Beverly Tate, and Bianca Richards to the Student Success and Equity Committee.
8. Voted to ratify appointment of Dave Evans and Eduardo A. Cairo to the Coordinator Upward Bound Hiring Committee.
9. Voted to ratify appointment of Eduardo A. Cairo, Kris Pilon, and Karyn L. Skiathitis to the Director, Rosemead Site Hiring Committee.

**Information Items (with action taken)**

1. Revised Curriculum and Instruction Policy #3200 with Senate recommended changes passed by a majority vote.

**Information Items (with no action taken)**

1. Professor Beverly Tate, Basic Skills and College Diversity Coordinator, presented information concerning Basic Skills Initiative that included District and Basic Skills Initiative funding for Basic Skills projects and BSI Goal for 2014-2015 to continue addressing/researching institutional barriers. Recommends that Academic Senate form a committee to conduct research and collect data and find ways to address institutional barriers.
2. APL Coordinators Dr. Valerie Foster, Professor Shelagh Rose, and Dr. Cecilia Medina provided a PowerPoint Presentation that included APL's mission and its 2014-2015 Planned Events available to faculty. Senators will share this information with their areas for review/feedback to prepare for voting on whether to approve these activities for faculty at 22 September 2014 Senate Board meeting.
3. Dr. Ryan Cornner, Associate VP, Strategic Planning and Innovation, presented the Rosemead Substantive Report for Senate review and discussion at the 22 September 2014 Senate Board meeting.
4. President Cairo instructed Senators to review and share with their areas the 2013-2014 EMP to prepare for discussion and vote at 22 September 2014 Senate Board meeting.

**Standing Information Items**

1. PCCFA Report: PCCFA President Julie Kiotas reported that PCCFA anticipates that it and the Administration will be returning to the table soon and that PCCFA is hopeful that a fair contract will be reached this year.
2. FACC Report: none
3. Adjunct Faculty Report: Mark Dodge reported that the Administration authorized 5 new adjunct faculty to serve on the Senate Board and that the Adjunct Faculty Issues Committee will gather a list of 5 volunteers for presentation to the Senate President.
4. Classified Senate Report: none

**Standing Ad/Hoc Campus-Wide Committee Reports**

None

**Announcements**

1. Professional Learning Day (Flex Day): 1 October 2014
2. Introduction of new Academic Senate Senators:  
DSPS/Special Services, Bianca Richards; English, Marjorie Smith and Tim Melnarik; Math, Ann Davis; VAMS, Sara Barker and Alexis Moore (Adjunct Professor)
3. Next Senate Board Meeting: 22 September 2014