

## **Senate Nanoseconds**

A Summary of the 17 November 2014 Senate Board Meeting

### **Standing/Ad Hoc/Campus-Wide Committee Reports: None**

#### **Executive Committee Recommendations**

1. Voted to approve Adjunct Faculty Rudy Aguilar (Kinesiology) to serve on Academic Senate Board.
2. Voted to approve Kerin Huber (Science & Math); Julie Kiotas (Social Sciences); Russell DiFiori (Natural Sciences) to serve on Shared Governance Enrollment Management Committee.
3. Voted to approve Cecile Davis Anderson (Counseling); Patricia D'Orange Martin (Counseling); Kristin Pilon (CTE) to serve on Coordinator, Teaching & Learning Center Hiring Committee.
4. Voted to approve Sandra C. Haynes (VMPA); Julie Kiotas (Social Sciences); Lauren Arenson (Social Sciences) to serve on Associate Dean, Distance Education Hiring Committee.
5. Voted to approve (written vote) Ahni Dodge (CTE: Business); Dave Evans (CTE); Mikage Kuroki (English) to serve on Economic & Workforce Development Project Coordinator Hiring Committee.

#### **Information Items (with action taken)**

1. Journalism – Public Relations Program: Unanimous vote to discontinue this program. Its discontinuance was also approved by faculty and C&I Committee.
2. Board of Trustees Revision of Board Policies: Majority vote to assign senators to review Board policies and accompanying Administrative policies and present recommendations at 1 December 2014 Senate Board meeting.
3. Majority vote for senators to review mission statements of Academic Senate committees and forward comments and changes to Executive Committee to present for discussion at 1 December 2014 Senate Board meeting.

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

1. Dean Arellano reported on the need to discontinue five non-credit short-term vocational certificates. Senators were requested to review this information for discussion at the 1 December 2014 Senate Board meeting.
2. Discussion of the ASCCC Fall Plenary session on the Brown Act, which requires that all Senate Standing Committees, as Brown Act Committees, post agendas, take minutes, and allow for public comments. Executive Committee reported that College Coordinating Council members had decided that the college should engage legal counsel specializing in Brown Act procedures to present to shared governance groups to ensure that campus Brown Act committees are in compliance.
3. M. House reported her concerns that unilateral decisions are being made by the Senate Executive Committee and that clarity is needed about the role of the President and Executive Committee and their actions on behalf of the Senate Board.
4. Remaining items on the Agenda were forwarded to the next meeting on 1 December 2014.