



# Senate Nanoseconds

## What Faculty Need to Know

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A Summary of the 6 April 2015 Senate Board Meeting

### **Standing/Ad Ho/Campus-Wide Committee Reports**

1. Nominations and Elections Committee- G. Horton reported the new Academic Senate Executive Committee Officers for 2015-2016: Valerie Foster – President; Shelagh Rose, Vice President; Stephanie Fleming, Secretary; Jay Cho, Treasurer
2. C & I Committee Report: BP4020 – Co-Chairs D. Dwyer and L. Chaffee reported that additions, deletions, and modifications of 473 courses and 46 programs for 2014-2015 were made compared to 270 courses and 40 programs approved in 2013-2014. Report made of current number of Associate Degrees for Transfer (ADT) and currently PCC has 17. C & I submitted the ADT for Music (Fall 2014) and just approved the ADT for Spanish. The Accreditation Team interviewed J. Dwyer and L. Chaffee separately and attended a C & I meeting. As reported to the C & I Committee by Dr. Scott, the Accreditation was impressed with the detail of the forms and process used by C & I to comply with state regulations. Getting faculty C & I reps in place prior to Fall semester should be a Senate priority. Co-chairs stated they are willing to continue serving as co-chairs next year.
3. Academic Senate Breakfast Committee – S. Miranda and K. Pilon presented this year's sample flyer for the event to be held on 6 May at Mijares Mexican Restaurant; tickets at \$35 each are available at Student Bank. "Silent Auction" of collectable fine art prints will be held with proceeds to benefit Academic Senate Scholarship Fund.

### **Executive Committee Recommendations**

1. Approved P. Lynn (BET) as member of the Disaster Relief Committee.
2. Approved K. Pilon (BET) as member of Realignment Committee.
3. Approved R. D'Amico (Languages) as member of Study Abroad Committee
4. Approved M. Smith (English) as Chair of IEC.

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

1. BA Program Proposals – Presenters R. Cornner, J. Kiotas R. Randall, B. Bhadha. PowerPoint Presentation provided background and requirements for BA proposals. Each CC can submit only one application; program must meet high demand career paths not currently addressed; selected degree must not duplicate courses and programs at CSUs or UCs. J. Kiotas, R. Randall, and B. Bhadha proposed BA in Applied Research and Data Analytics that will prepare students for certificates, careers in research, research trends, and data sources. Because of the timely matter of this proposal, an informal vote was taken and proposal passed unanimously.
2. Policies and Procedures on Sexual and Other Assaults on campus: BP3540 and AP3540 – K. Pilon reported that this policy is required by law and requested Senate review and input to prepare for a vote at next Senate meeting.
3. Intellectual Property Policy – D. Haley provided summary of proposed policy and presented it for review/input as a first read. Policy will be presented for a vote at next Senate Board meeting.
4. Accreditation – R. Cornner provided update of College Council meeting that reviewed accreditation recommendations and discussed implementation of focus on governance. Feedback needed from faculty co-chairs and shared governance and planning groups to address accreditations concerns. Interested volunteer names may be forwarded to Senate Executive Committee.

5. Realignment Committee and EEO Committee Presentation: handout provided. Faculty volunteers needed; more than one representation per division may serve on committee.
6. New Faculty Orientation Curriculum - Handout provided that tentatively outlines what new faculty need to know the first day of class and what they need to learn during their first year. Senators asked to take this information to their representative areas for their review/ input for next Senate Board meeting.
7. Winter – Summer Pay for Hiring Committees- E. A. Cairo stated that faculty serving on hiring committees reported that number of online applications read per hour range from 3 to 7 and that reading on-line applications takes more time. Chair M. Michelson reported that Ad Hoc Hiring Issues Committee recommends that FA should determine compensation.

#### **Reports from Executive Committee**

1. President's Report: Beginning this Tuesday/Thursday in the Quad from 12-1, a "Faculty Table" will be set up providing information to students regarding their professions and degrees. Questions will be read to the three finalists for the next Superintendent-President at the upcoming public forums. Senate is developing ways to work together with Classified Senate. This information will be passed along to the new Senate Executive Committee. President Cairo reported that the Senate Election count represents a divided Senate and faculty and expressed a desire for the Executive Committee elect to lay the groundwork to unite the Senate. Brown Act Forum has been rescheduled for Tuesday, 21 April, from 11am to 1pm and 3pm to 5pm; rooms TBA.
2. Vice President's Report: None
3. Secretary's Report: Classified Senate is in favor of having a get-together with the Academic Senate at the end of April.
4. Treasurer's Report: None

#### **Standing Information Items**

1. PCCFA: J. Kiotas reported that at next Senate meeting, she will present a report on the upcoming CCCI meeting with independent unions to be held 24 April.
2. Management Report: None
3. Classified Report: None
4. Associated Student Report: None

#### **Announcements**

1. 2015 Academic Senate Annual Celebration (formerly known as the Academic Senate Breakfast) will be held Wednesday 6 May, 6pm-8pm, Mijares Restaurant, Pasadena, CA.
2. Next Senate Board Meeting – Creveling Lounge, 20 April 2015