



Senate Nanoseconds

What Faculty Need to Know

A concise summary of Senate business conducted at a Senate Board meeting. Complete minutes available on the PCC Website.

January 11, 2016 Academic Senate Board Meeting

Executive Committee Appointments:

VP of Human Resources Hiring Committee: Silvia Talaoc & Valerie Foster; Director, EOPS/CARE & Foster Youth Hiring Committee: Tomas Rojas, Myriam Altounji, & Gena Lopez

Committee Reports:

1. Ad Hoc Reassign Time Committee:
Chair Manny Perea returned to answer additional questions about the process for choosing faculty for reassign time position.

Board Policies and Administrative Procedures

1. Associate Vice President Kathy Scott presented the administrations proposed changes to AP 3006 Role of the Council on Academic & Professional Matters. The changes would allow
2. Lynell Wiggins presented proposed revisions to BP/AP 4051 College Credit for High School Classes for a first read. He will incorporate the Senate's feedback and bring the BP & AP back for a second read on January 25.

Senate Bylaws

1. Revisions to Article 3.1B (Adjunct Faculty) were **approved** unanimously and now states "*Faculty who are not currently tenured or on tenure track. Adjunct faculty have the right to elected up to 5 at large voting members to the Academic Senate Board through the Adjunct Faculty Issues Committee. These members should preferably represent the diverse disciplines of the College and are elected for a period of one academic year. Adjunct faculty must have an assignment for one semester during the academic year for which they are elected.*" The changes must be approved by a vote of the full time faculty.
2. Additional proposed revisions to Articles 3.1B & C was **denied** unanimously. The proposed revision would have changed the definition of a regular faculty and required a faculty member to "*have an assignment of 66% or more in the class schedule, or have reassigned positions approved by Academic Senate, or mutually agreed on by the Academic Senate and the Administration.*"

Information Items

1. Recent elected Board of Trustees members Jim Osterling and Hoyt Hilsman introduced themselves to the Senate Board.
2. PCC FA President Julie Kiotis announced that the union would have guest speakers on January 21 (Jonathan Lightman) and April 28 (Rich Hanson).
3. President Foster addressed the email sent on December 10, 2015 from President Vurdien announcing several changes to the college's organizational structure. She

expressed concern about last minute notification of these changes. While the college's organizational structure falls under the purview of the administration, vetting is necessary because of the impact on faculty.

4. President Foster highlighted the items that the Senate would be working on this semester: review of BPs and APs, Equity (including a Senate Equity retreat), professional development (including FLEX), department chairs, and accreditation (including the review of the follow-up report).