

The De Anza Academic Senate

Approved Notes of the meeting of

March 7th, 2011

Senators and Officers present: Anderson, Beckum, Betlach, Botsford, Castaño, Chow, Cruz, Damjanovic, Glapion, Guevara, Hanna, Lee-Wheat, Kryliouk, Lizardi-Folley, Maynard, McNamara, Mello, Nickel, Schaffer, Setziol, Sullivan, Swanner, and Tao

Senators and Officers Absent: Annen, Larson, Lathers, Stockwell, and Yang

DASB: Ali Masood

Classified Senate: Lois Jenkins

Administrative Liaison: Rowena Tomaneng

Guests: Laurel Torres (FA), Mary Ellen Goodwin, Katie Cadge-Moore, Virginia Marquez, Jim Haynes, Gordon Poon, Ron McFarland, Kulwant Singh, Brian Murphy, Greg Knittel, and numerous others, especially students

SLO coordinators/Staff Development: Jackie Reza, Toño Ramirez, and Mary Pape

Curriculum Co Chair: Anu Khanna

[NOTE: Item numbers are reflective of agenda numbers in the order they are actually taken up at the meeting.]

The meeting was called to order at 2:33, a quorum being present.

I. Approval of Agenda and Notes: The agenda was approved as distributed. The notes of the meeting of February 28th were approved as distributed with the removal of obvious and intentionally spurious language.

III. Vice President and President's Reports: The new annual Program Review form has now been distributed. Senators and department chairs not yet having received a copy should feel free to contact Lee-Wheat to get one. The well attended teaching and learning conference held March 4th was said to be successful and a very good experience. A high point of the March 7th Board of Trustees meeting was predicted to be the granting of tenure to a number of new faculty. All were invited to a pre Board meeting reception for the newly tenured faculty.

II. Needs and Confirmations: Roberta Bloom, Lenore Desilets, Bert Lo, Richard Lopez, and Rupi Sekhon were confirmed for service on a Mathematics Faculty Search and Selection Committee. Mayra Cruz, Angela Buchanan, Juanita Cordero, Isaiah Nengo, and Ameeta Tiwana were confirmed for service on the Child Development Faculty Search and Selection Committee. Laura Karst, Carmen Lizardi-Folley, Jorge Gracia, and Jorge Guevara were confirmed for service on the Spanish Faculty Search and Selection Committee. Ken Weisner, Becky Roberts, Marshall Hattori, and Julie Madigen were confirmed for service on the English Faculty Search and Selection Committee.

IV. ASCCC Area B meeting funding: After a brief explanation including the officers' invitation for Senators to observe the Area B meeting, it was MSCU (Sullivan/Nickel) to authorize up to \$300 to augment the amount provided by the ASCCC (Academic Senate for California Community Colleges).

Back to II. Needs and Confirmations: Jim Nguyen was selected as the new part time faculty representative, replacing Jennifer James.

V. Commission on the Future: Brian Murphy led the group through a fairly thorough presentation on the recent work of the Community College League of California (CCLC) Commission on the Future. Its focus was what has been called the completion agenda, i.e. getting more students to complete certificates, degrees, and transfer to four year colleges and universities. President Murphy was open to comments and questions but there was almost no time for it. The group was asked to consider the extent to which it can take a leading role in responding to this kind of initiative.

VI. New Part Time Faculty Center: Former Senator Mary Ellen Goodwin presented a draft proposal on the parameters of use and selection of part time faculty eligible to use the new facility and asked for support. The proposal was in direct response to a plan said to be presented by an administrator or administrators which would allow only a total of 30 part time faculty to use the facility per quarter. The Academic Senate and the Faculty Association collaborated to be primarily responsible for the existence of the center and will need to meet soon with the Office of Instruction and perhaps others to come to some kind of understanding.

VII. "Justification" on Course Outlines: Anu Khanna presented the need for and asked for the approval of a new section on course outlines where faculty would be required to create a justification statement for courses, new or revised. This is a new requirement from the Chancellor's office in Sacramento and not the college Curriculum Committee. Course justifications will be requested from faculty on an as needed basis and immediately inserted into course outlines. For remaining courses, justification statements will be phased in as courses come to the committee for review. The request was approved without objection.

VIII. Resolution to the ASCCC: Anderson announced he had discovered that there was no need for the group to read and reread a resolution targeted for adoption at the ASCCC Spring Plenary Session since the college centered resolution only called for action by the officers.

IX. Articulating De Anza's Core Values: Jackie Reza presented and Lee-Wheat assisted in an activity wherein the group and a large number of guest, especially students, divided into fifteen small groups attempting to characterize the aspects of programs which would closely and not closely align with the current codified College value statements. The activity was very rushed but those present demonstrated considerable energy for it and produced some sample results as called for by the activity.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30