

SCC Academic Senate Minutes – Approved November 1, 2016

October 18, 2016 1:30 – 3:00 A-211

Senators Present

Leonor Aguilera
Emma Breeden
Shawn Cummins
Steven Deeley
Lisa Dela Cusack
Alicia Frost
Jared Kubicka-Miller
Eden Quimzon
Stephen Reed
Andy Salcido
Randy Scott
Barbara Sproat
Jeffrey Wada

Senate Executive Board

President Michael DeCarbo
Vice President Mary Mettler
CIC Chair Joyce Wagner
Sec./Treas. Mike Taylor

Senators Absent

Denise Bailey
Nena Baldizon-Rios
Shelby Clatterbuck
Phillip Crabill
Scott Howell
Nancy Parent
Christine Umali Kopp

ASG Representatives

Andre Eng

Guests

Amanda Campbell
Tiffany Gause
Abdul Isira
Scott James
Emi Kawafuchi
Miguel Luna

- II. Approval of minutes from the May 17, 2016 senate meeting (Deeley/Reed), approved without dissent.
Approval of minutes from the October 4, 2016 senate meeting (Deeley/Frost), approved without dissent.

III. Public Comments

1. Professor Breeden mentioned that the Office of Student Equity & Success, Speakers Symposium, and SCC Foundation will be hosting a presentation by Chris Crass, "Being an Ally: Strategies for Engaging and Moving White People into Racial Justice Action" on October 27, 2016 in H-106 at 11:50am.
2. Professor Kubicka-Miller mentioned that the Forensics Club will be converting the forensics room to a haunted house on Friday, October 21st
3. Professor Wada mentioned that certain Math and Sciences faculty are concerned about PIE committee representation and that the division of Math and Sciences is not well represented.
4. Professor Dela Cusack mentioned the faculty excellence speaker, Barry Resnick, will be presenting on October 20 at 1:30pm.

IV. Board report

President:

1. The Administration accepts the Senate rankings with the exception of one, child development. At this time, there will only be four faculty hires for SCC (six at SAC) and that these are replacements only. Anthropology, Biology, English, and Math will be hiring and hopefully one or two more may be hired.
2. Community Science Night is on March 24, please come out and volunteer.

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3. The next Board of Trustees meeting will be Monday, October 24 in SCC H-104 at 4:30. There will be a reception at 4pm outside the Art Gallery hosted by ASG. Please attend and show your support.

Vice President:

1. No report

Secretary/Treasurer

1. SAC agrees with SCC on the starting of Intersession 2018 on January 2.

CIC

1. No report

V. ASG

1. Voter registration will be happening on campus on October 19th and 20th.
2. There will be a mini Halloween kickoff event and a treat for treat campaign for food collection coming up October 24 through October 31.
3. On November 7 and 8 there will be a town hall event with surveys to be given out to students. Email Andre Eng for details and to add questions to the survey (andreengasg@gmail.com).

VI. Summary Reports

1. Discussion on what we, as a senate, want in our summary reports. How can we make them better? Vice President Mettler will be posting the senate summary report template on the Senate website.

VII. Action Items

1. *Second Readings*

- A. Resolution F2016.3 – Adoption of the Revised “Academic Renewal without Course Repetition” (Wagner/Aguilera).

Discussion: Pros: This will help students who did not have direction at first to have a second chance. The poor grade is still on the transcript, just not calculated into the GPA. This is a Title 5 requirement which SCC has been in compliance; however, the new policy is more student focused and is similar to those at local campuses.

Cons: There should be a waiting period. Transcript stands as a historical record. There should be consequences for choices.

Vote: Approved, Professors Breeden, Cummins, Dela Cusack, Salcido, and Wada were not in favor.

- B. Resolution F2016.4 – Recommendation for the Adoption of Canvas, Santiago Canyon College’s Learning Management System (Taylor/Cummins).

Discussion: Considerable savings to the district. Almost all of the community colleges in California have already switched, the ones who have not have internal reasons (still in a contract, dedicated position(s) for the current LMS).

Pros: There was a faculty driven process for the investigation on using canvas. All faculty on the taskforce were initially against using Canvas, but changed their minds after seeing its improved accessibility and ease of use for students. Great cost savings to the district.

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Cons: This seems to be an administration mandate that is being endorsed by the senate, yet not all senators (faculty) are in favor of the change. Hard to make a decision (vote) on something that some have not even seen.

Vote: Approved, Reed was not in favor.

2. *First reading*

- A. Resolution F2016.5 – Creation of a Joint Learning Management System Transition Task Force with Santa Ana College for the Blackboard to Canvas Conversion Process (Taylor/Dela Cusack)

Discussion: There will be an amendment of a whereas to show that the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges advocates for the monies saved due to the change to Canvas be used for faculty development and training in the use of Canvas (Cummins/Quimzon).

Vote to add whereas (no dissent).

There will be an amendment of a resolved for monies saved to be used for faculty development and training in the use of Canvas (Taylor/Frost).

Vote to add the resolved (no dissent).

- B. Resolution F2016.7 – Affirmation of Revisions to the Budget Committee Collegial Governance Handbook Description (Deeley/Mettler)

Discussion: Changed some of the wording and the membership representation.

- C. Resolution F2016.6 – Affirmation of Merging the Facilities and Safety/Emergency Committees and Subsequent Changes to the Collegial Governance Handbook (Kubicka-Miller/Quimzon).

Discussion: concern of less faculty representation due to the merge. Suggestion of the senate to strike out “or designee” and that the Vice President of Administrative Services must be the position. Addition of one more faculty to the new group (5 faculty and the faculty co-chair) and also to have 2 students on the committee (one non-voting).

VIII. Signature Program – Transfer Success Center

1. Presentation by Miguel Luna from the Transfer Success Center. 13% increase in transfers to CSU and 31% to private/out of state. SCC has one of the highest transfer rates for local community colleges (higher than SAC, IVC, FJC, OCC).
2. What the Transfer Success Center offers: Transfer fairs, individual advising for students to create a transfer plan, promoting of the program on social media, visitations to transfer campuses, and can help with entrance essays.
3. What can faculty do to assist in the Transfer Success Center? Have the Transfer Success Center representative come into the classrooms and present for five minutes, referrals from the faculty to the Transfer Success Center, and have faculty support for large events like the transfer fairs by promoting schools that faculty attended and attending the events personally.
4. Since this is a signature program, the faculty needs to get behind the Transfer Success Center by inviting them into our classrooms and promoting the transfer fair and to also let students know of how they use Social Media to promote the program.

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IX. Discussion items

1. Professional Development Real Time Calendar

- A. A calendar was created to show any/all professional development opportunities scheduled (webinars, conferences, discussions, etc.). Send these opportunities to Vanessa Jones so she can update the calendar (jones_vanessa@sccollege.edu). Good for adjuncts as well.

2. Senate Goals

- A. Budget training, credit by exam, MOU with FARSCCD, Programs. Senate Exec's will each take a goal and provide information to the senators as it is compiled.

3. Faculty Request Hiring Form

- A. Discussed proposed changes to the faculty hiring form. Feedback was asked for the first page and to the number of characters to the narratives.

X. Moved to adjourn (Kubicka-Miller/Deeley), passed without dissent.