

Academic Senate Approved Minutes April 8th, 2024

Meeting was called to order at 2:05 p.m.

2 Roll call Cormia

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| Voltaire Villanueva | 4006 |
| Patrick Morriss | 4006 |
| Ben Kaupp | 4006 |
| Robert Cormia | 4006 |

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| | 4006 |
| Mona Rawal | 4006 |
| Counseling | |
| Tracee Cunningham | 4006 |
| Leticia Serna | online (only as guest) |
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| | 4006 |
| HSH | |
| Rachelle Campbell | L Chesser-Nielsen (4006-proxy) |
| Brenda Hanning | 4006 |
| Kinesiology/Athletics | |
| Dixie Macias | R Cormia (proxy) |
| Rita O'Loughlin | B Kaupp (proxy) |
| LA | |
| Stephanie Chan | 4006 |
| Rocio Giraldez Betron | online (address posted) |
| LRC | |

3 Adoption of the agenda

Table item #14 for action but continue deliberation Cormia motion, Robert Hartwell second.

Ben commented that although we are not attorneys, leadership and others have been contacted multiple times by attorneys. Ben suggested that we should be aware of and consider the legal impacts of our actions before proceeding. Sara added that the officers might be acting based on information that the rest of the executive committee does not have or did not have previously. Voltaire read a letter from Peter Landsberger, President of the Board of Trustees, which referenced a letter from the law firm of Hershenson Rosenberg-Wohl. In the letter, David Rosenberg-Wohl highlighted issues in the resolution that could be perceived as discriminatory and stated that if the resolution were adopted by the Academic Senate, it would be viewed as endorsed and approved by both Foothill College and FHDA-CCD. The letter went on to address several issues and criticized the resolution for taking a stance on the Gaza conflict. It noted that the resolution, rather than genuinely addressing peace and safety, might provoke actions from other parties, including students, faculty, and employees.

Peter Landsberger addressed the Senate and guests, expressing concerns about the resolution. He pointed out that it could be interpreted as a statement by both the College and the District and discussed the potential undesirable consequences of adopting it. He recommended that deliberation of the resolution should continue but advised stepping back from the resolution for now. Brian inquired whether other Colleges or districts have passed

similar resolutions and what consequences ensued. It was mentioned that a sister college, Skyline College, had passed a resolution, and as a result, its Senate is now at odds with the SMCCD chancellor. Landsberger assured that the District would defend the Academic Senate should legal action be brought against the Academic Senate.

#7 ASFC President Update

Joshua Agupugo (ASFC President) acknowledged it was the first day of spring quarter. He mentioned student elections and acknowledged some mistakes on the website.

#8 Election 2024 -

Voltaire Villanueva (President), Robert Cormia (Secretary-Treasurer), and Lynette Vega (part-time faculty representative) ran unopposed and were elected by acclamation. Patrick Morriss applauded their efforts. Sara Cooper made the first motion to elect the officers, and Robert Hartwell seconded it; the officers were then elected by acclamation.

#9 Curriculum committee update -

Ben Kaupp, CCC faculty co-chair, discussed changes to the general education requirements for students seeking an Associate's degree as a terminal option. He began by stating that these changes would have minimal impact, as the majority of students are not pursuing a terminal Associate's degree. These modifications are being considered based on feedback from constituents. Specifically, the proposed changes involve lifelong learning, a lab requirement for natural sciences, and math/quantitative reasoning.

The college is currently deciding whether to align with the state's requirements or follow recommendations from the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges (ASCCC). The prevailing consensus is to eliminate the lifelong learning requirement for students earning a local Associate's degree, but still encourage them to take these courses. Regarding natural sciences, the consensus is that removing the lab requirement will have minimal effect, as most courses in this area already include integrated labs. The focus for Area 2 is to shift as many courses as possible from Area V to the new Area 2, which covers math and quantitative reasoning requirements.

Fatima raised concerns about the Kinesthetics & Athletics (KA) department, noting that enrollment had been significantly impacted by the loss of course repeatability. Ben acknowledged this, mentioning that PE enrollment was up by 12%, but also noted the difficulty in determining how many students were enrolling in PE classes solely because they were required.

Evan Gilstrap (Articulations officer) discussed AB1111 common course numbering and that the chancellor's office would like us to have six courses that fit common course numbering. Evan mentioned that the deadlines are right around the corner. Title V updates are also right around the corner. There was a comment about rules of repeatability, and a comment from KA about repeatability.

#10 BP/AP 2410

Voltaire clarified the definitions of Board Policies and Administrative Procedures. He explained that Board Procedures necessitate policies that require adoption by the Board, specifically

Patrick Morriss



Roll call vote on the Point of Order brought by Brian Evans

| Officers | Location |
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| Voltaire Villanueva | Not voting |
| Patrick Morriss | |

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| Ensuring Learning Coordinator | |
| Stephanie Chan | (voted as LA rep) |
| Kerri Ryer | Absent |
| FA Rep | |
| Julie Jenkins | No |
| ASFC Rep | |
| Joshua Agupugo | Yes |
| Classified Senate Rep | |
| Adiel Velasquez | Absent |
| 21-23 P/T Rep | |
| Roxanne Cnudde | Abstain |
| 22-24 P/T Rep | |
| Michael Chang | Yes |
| Advisory Members | |
| President's Cabinet | |
| Stacy Gleixner | Abstain (advisory) |
| Dean of Equity | |
| Ajani Byrd | No (Advisory) |