

Foothill Academic Senate Committee Reports

Prepared for the meeting of February 26th, 2018

BASIC SKILLS WORKGROUP

Reported by Faculty Tri Chair Eric Reed

Next meeting: TBA

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Reported by Faculty Tri Chair Carolyn Holcroft

Our meeting on 2/14 was a joint meeting with OPC. We reviewed the charge of each group and had much discussion about how we can support one another's work. We discussed the timeline for Winter and Spring quarter. From the PRC perspective, our big takeaway was that if comprehensive program reviews are truly to inform resource allocations, then the OPC needs our complete feedback on comprehensive PRs before they are able to complete their work. I.e. PRC needs to work as quickly as we can so OPC can review resource requests from programs that completed a comprehensive this cycle.

Our meeting 2/21 included discussion of the comprehensive program reviews for the Nanotechnology Program

questions that emerged from the discussion were: 1) Would Sunnyvale be a better location for Learning Communities due to transportation issues? 2) How will AB705 affect these students? 3) What are some of the challenges? Small program, personnel changes. 4) How does Puente get students to commit to the program? Recruiting early and setting expectations early.

For the remainder of the meeting, Paul Starer led the workgroup in a Shoe Tower team building exercise. After the exercise, the group debriefed and talked about how this exercise related to governance. Questions about how to institutionalize equity, define equity and what it is not, and SEW's role were raised. There was some discussion about giving up the role of equity funding decisions. There was agreement that the SEW could still have a say in funding decisions by developing "equitable guiding principles for resource allocations."

Next Meeting: February 27th 1:30-3:00 pm Room 5702. This will be a joint meeting between the BSW, SEW, and SSSP. Chancellor Miner will give an update on the District's Excellence for Equity Project, and President Nguyen will give an update on the Foothill governance redesign effort.

PaRC

(reported by Faculty tri-chair Isaac Escoto)

PaRC met on Wednesday, February 21st.

For the full PaRC agenda, minutes, and meeting attachments, please visit the [PaRC website](#).

Budget timeline: President's Cabinet will have a retreat on March 22nd. PaRC will get a first reading of budget reductions on April 18th. We'll have a budget town-hall on April 19th from 1-2pm (location TBA). Admin Council will meet on April 19th after the town-hall. April 25th will be PaRC's final review of cuts, prior to communication of planned cuts to the district.

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Professional Development Discussion

Jeff Anderson shared the "What is Professional Development" document. Discussion about how the term "Professional Development" is often used with different definitions/contexts across our campus/college planning documents. Mention that it's important to include the Professional Development Leave committee in discussions about the definition of "Professional Development." President Nguyen noted that this discussion aligns well with the governance redesign the Leadership Council is currently undertaking. She mentioned that Foothill College is ripe for transformative change. Discussing the definition of PD is the beginning of a refocus of how our campus views Professional Development.

Governance Redesign Update

Discussion regarding the role of governance. How can governance play a role so that planning documents are used/updated, not just put on a shelf?

Some have shared that they feel some college governance committees haven't participated in as much strategic

The next DAS meeting will be on February 28th.

ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL MATTERS COMMITTEE

Reported by Academic Senate President Isaac Escoto

The next APM meeting will be held on March 16th, at 1:30pm in the Altos Room.

CHANCELLOR'S ADVISORY COUNCIL

Reported by FH Academic Senate President Isaac Escoto

The next CAC meeting will be held on March 16th, at 2:30 in the Toyon Room.