

**Foothill College Academic Senate Minutes  
November 18, 2002 2:30 – 4:30 -Carriage House**

**President:** Larry Rouse 03  
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**Language Arts:** Rich Morasci 02  
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**Library Sciences:** Roxanne Mendrinis 04  
**PE & Human Perf:** Irv Ploke 03  
Dixie Macias 04  
**Phys Sci & Math:** Lori Silverman 03  
Patrick Morriss 04  
**Student Liaison** Javad Aghamiri 03

Absent: Shirley Barker

Guests: Daphne Small and ASFC students

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profession as a whole, and consistent services and support for students. Chris was asked to return on December 2<sup>nd</sup> for a more complete discussion of the issues relating to instruction.

#### **4. OLD BUSINESS**

##### **a. Academic Integrity +/- Grade Adoption**

Javad Aghamiri, President of Associated Students at Foothill College, presented the students' concerns regarding +/- grade adoption. The major arguments centered on lowering of the students' grade point ratio, unfair competition with students at almost all other community colleges who do not have +/- grading for transfer and vocational success, and inconsistent implementation. Larry Rouse shared the new grading standards being considered by the De Anza Senate that would have an A- equal an 87. Foothill Academic Senate was opposed to lowering grading standards. Academic integrity and

Recommendations for changes regarding the calendar such as starting the calendar year a week earlier were made and will be forwarded to the Faculty Association as part of negotiations.

**b. Statewide Senate Resolutions**

Mike McHargue discussed the statewide Senate resolutions regarding support for accreditation and the math and English requirements in the curriculum as well as funding issues in a difficult budget environment.

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

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