

Academic Senate Minutes

April 28, 2014

Meeting called to order at 2:00 p.m.

Members present: Dolores Davison (President), Isaac Escoto (Vice-President/CCC Chair), , Katherine Schaefer (Adjunct Faculty), Roseann Berg (BHS), Steve Batham (BSS), Lisa Drake (BSS), Tobias Nava (CNSL), Kate Jordahl (FA), Don MacNeil (KA), Rich Morasci (LA), Mary Thomas (LRC), David Marasco (PSME), Patrick Morriss (PSME), Meredith Heiser (FA Liaison), Kacy Takamoto (LA) Craig Gawlick (Classified Liaison) Meredith Heiser (FA Liaison), Kimberlee Messina (Cabinet Liaison) Katy Ripp (KA) Adiel Velazquez (Student Liaison)

Absent Jamie Orr (Adjunct Faculty), Robert Cormia (Secretary/Treasurer), Janis Stephenson (FA)

Guests: Debbie Lee

Roll call - Davison

New Academic Senator, Kacy Takamoto, English was introduced.

Agenda was approved by consensus

Approval of minutes from April 21. March 10th (add Steve Batham to March 21th attendance) (Marasco and Batham) approved.

Consent calendar with addition of Kacy Takamoto, as Senator from English. Consent calendar approved (

discussing how to facilitate transition to only lab and lecture class categories; There were also discussions about stackable certificates (small CTE certificates). In PaRC, There was discussion of the Program review documents and prioritization of faculty positions. The top rankings of positions from the Vice Presidents are: TOP Art history, Librarian extended to 11 months, Philosophy, Business, English generalist, Computer scientist, Counselor (vets/drc), Studio art, Publications librarian, Economics, Head foothill ball

Debbie Lee was the guest speaker about the final exam schedule - - Scheduling committee reformed this year with members from all concerned groups. She presented a possible pattern for 5 days and adding spaces for proctored exams and online exams. It was thought that we had to be in line with DeAnza; this is not the case, but it is according to FA a negotiated item. The presented calendar is a possible 5-day solution. Going to a 5 day exam schedule needs to be ratified by faculty.

KA division Report. Don MacNeil and Katy Ripp reported that the KA division dean is leaving very soon to move to another college on semesters. There has been discussion with the VP about what to do; and possible that KA will become part of Fine Arts, with Athletics under an Athletics Director. The Faculty of the division do not agree. They want to keep KA and AD together. Concerns include logistical aspects of who faculty would report to when the roles of coach and teacher are mixed? This division has had three deans in a very short time and experienced significant changes with repeatability rule changes and other shifts in enrollments and regulations. Faculty expressed their concern that the transfer degrees and certificate degrees that are moving forward would be supported and that KA runs 12 months per year. They expressed their preference for putting an interim dean in place until there can be thoughtful process about where the division is and where it should be going. Faculty want to grow the enrolment, increase productivity, then go out again to hire a dean/AD. There was also concern expressed about their representation on the Academic Senate, if absorbed. Another senator noted that the by-laws currently keep the senate membership at 2005 pattern despite division mergers. There was a comparison of the Library merge with English. In this case, the Library and English ended up being separate divisions reporting to one dean. Kimberlee Messina stated that the process is still in discussion and President's Cabinet will discuss this at their next meeting. Senators expressed the concern that this could become a permanent change without any