

**Pierce College
Academic Senate
Minutes of September 13, 2004**

Members Present: B. Adajian, J. Binsley, P. Brown, C. Cohen, M. Dobbertin, G. Eisenbart, R. Follett, G. Gilbertson, M. Gonzalez, I. Goodman, G. Hobbs, K. Holland, L. Horn, L. Koller, D. Levine, B. Logan, B. Martinez, B. Odello, R. O'Neil, C. Pandey, T. Rosedahl, J. Rosenberg, S. Schneider, D. Schutzer, P. Stein, L. Thouin, M. Weiser.

Guests Present: C. Rooney, E. McCormack, J. McCaslin; S. Trevedi, L. Peterson, J. Voss-Rodriguez.

The meeting was **called to order** at 2:16 pm by Barrie Logan. The **agenda** was adopted with two additions by consensus. The **minutes** of August 30, 2004 were approved with a couple of corrections by consensus

Treasurer's Report—David Schutzer -- none

College Administration Report—Tom Oliver

- We expect to be funded for some of our current unfunded growth (about 7 to 8%). Rocky wants us to spend some of our reserve for growth in order to capture more of the growth money that is available from the state. We are currently down 5% in enrollment district-wide. Pierce is in the position to generate growth that the other colleges in the district can't by adding night classes to the Winter Intersession.
- There has been a proposal sent to Galpin Ford that their CEO contact President Bush to come to Pierce for a tour of the automotive program as an example of successful workforce development.
- Regarding faculty hiring— there will be 4-5 hires this year, mostly to fill positions that are currently filled by Limited Temporary faculty. With the growth proposed, next year there will be 10 -12 more faculty members hired possibly. Izzy will be working with the faculty hiring priority committee.
- One of the projects that Tom is working on is building the membership of the Foundation Board back up to full strength. At the beginning of the year there were 4 members; now it's up to 10. Many of the new members are important local business people, including several former Pierce students.

Articulation Officer/Transfer Center Director—Elizabeth McCormick

An e-mail was sent campus-wide regarding our 2003–04 transfer rates. The following is a summary of that e-mail:

- We had students transfer to all the UC campuses and to 19 of the 23 CSU campuses.
- Looking at the major community colleges that transfer students to the CSU , Pierce had the largest percent increase of any community college in Southern California and the second largest in the entire state of California.
- While Pierce had an increase of over 20% in CSU transfers from the previous year, the state as a whole was decreasing and 34 of the top 50 schools saw a decrease.
- Pierce is the number one college in the state providing transfers to CSUN.
- We continue to remain a leader in transfers to the UC campuses. Following the PFE definition, Pierce continues to make steady growth in the number of UC transfer prepared students from the previous year.
- Continuing the tradition, all of our Honors Program students who completed their requirements were admitted to UCLA.
- Our Berkeley relationship continues to strengthen and we already know that in Fall 2004, more than twice as many Pierce students were admitted to Berkeley than in the previous year.
- UC GTO students - UC freshman applicants who were redirected by the UC to a CCC to begin their studies - showed tremendous confidence in Pierce; statewide, we had one of the highest numbers of students choosing to start their studies with us.

- She also stated that we have transfer agreements with all UC's but UCB (which does not do that). These transfer agreements will be more publicized among the students.
- CSU's new program "Lower Division Transfer Program by Major" – will guarantee priority transfer for students; the details of the program are in the process of being determined and it will begin in Fall 2006. It will emphasize major preparation rather than General Education.

The discussion of the Pass-Along guidelines was deferred to a later meeting.

Senate President's Report—Barrie Logan

- Student Learning Outcomes Workshop, October 1, Campus Center, 9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m. Barrie read the list of programs that will be involved in Program Review in the next year. Chairs and senators from those departments will get an invitation to the workshop soon. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend.
- Since this is the second meeting of the Senate, the Elections Committee is to be established: Jill Binsley, Darlene Wittman, & Jennifer Rosenberg were approved as the committee.
- Richard Follett announced that retired faculty member Jim Burry died last Wednesday in a house fire. The English department will take up a collection to make a memorial of some kind in the Botanical Garden.

Old Business

Faculty Position Priority Committee Membership—Izzy Goodman

The following faculty members have volunteered to serve on the committee:

Area 1

Pam Brown, Political Sc. (incumbent)
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Area 2

Jeff Cohen, Psychology

Stuart Fox, Life Sc. (incumbent)
Tech.
Diane Levine, Anthropology
Joleen Voss-Rodriguez, Psych-Child Dev.
Kathie Yoder, Mathematics (incumbent)

Area 3

Tom Rosdahl, Auto

Service

Barrie chaired the election and explained the policies. Richard made a motion to divide the question into two issues. MSP

It was moved to accept the Area 1 and 3 candidates. MSP

There was a discussion of the rule that there could be only one member from each department, as it applies to Psychology and Child Development. Izzy reminded everyone that the function of committee members is not to be advocates for their departments. They are supposed to be impartial and analytical.

Betty moved to go ahead with vote. MSP

Joleen Voss-Rodriguez withdrew her name from consideration. The vote was conducted by secret ballot. Jennifer Rosenberg and Jill Binsley counted the votes. The Area 2 committee members elected were Diane Levine, Kathie Yoder and Stuart Fox.

Standing Committee Reports

Academic Policy—Izzy Goodman

- The application form for faculty positions is on the WEB; it will be announced to chairs tomorrow at their meeting. These applications are due September 24.
- Winter Intersession Update—(until the information that Tom just mentioned above) The plan was to offer 150 classes in the winter intersession. The Summer Session committee will decide what courses will be offered and when they will be offered. They have met once and will be meeting again this week.

- Faculty members are encouraged to use the Web for Student Exclusions. It is easy to use; just print out and sign your rosters after you are finished.

Curriculum—Lyn Koller

They have already had a short meeting. Paper work for the next meeting needs to be submitted by September 27th.

Professional Development—Cheryl Cohen

The committee will be meeting in a week and a half.

Professional Ethics—Betty Odello

The committee will be meeting soon.

College Committee/Task Force Report

Pierce College Council—Pam Brown, Greg Gilbertson, D. Schutzer, M. Weiser

At the PCC Retreat topics of discussion were: Student Learning Outcomes, Campus-wide goals for the year, bond projects, James Rikel is now the point person for all bond projects. The next PCC meeting is in October.

Technology Management Committee—Jill Binsley, Gail Hobbs

Next meeting is the 1st Thursday in October.

New Business

- The Faculty Schedule card is being newly arranged by Debbie Swarens, to fit the class schedule start times. It will be available on-line by next semester.
- Senate meetings will be moved to the College Services Building Meeting Room later this semester.
- Barrie described the Governance Center in Library 1A, which will be used by the Senate Executive Committee and the AFT Chapter Officers.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:12.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Levine
Secretary