

**Pierce College Academic Senate
Minutes of March 21, 2007
Assessment Center Conference Room**

Members Present: B. Benne, J. Binsley, P. Brown, J. Cohen, I. Goodman, B. Hart, G. Hobbs, K. Holland, L. Horn, C. Kocs, S. Levick, D. Levine, S. McHargue, A. Miller, K. Oborn, B. Odello, R. O'Neil, T. Rosdahl, J. Rosenberg, D. Schutzer, M. Weiser, M. Wessling, D. Wittman, A. Youhanna

Guests Present: C. Kozeracki, C. Riesberg, M. Hoshier, L. Coburn (Round-up), D. Santiago (Round-up), P. Solimanzaden (Round-up), R. Woo (Round-up), J. Ector (Round-up), A. Loza (Round-up), H. Goldstein (Round-up), M. Verne (Round-up), J. Mc Caslin, E. Stondo, A. Zuniga (Round-up), M. Clair, P. Garcia, J. McGowan, D. Sawrens, B. deRubertis, M. Cibelli, D. Clay, L. Clarke, N. Abu-Ghazaleh

The meeting was called to order at 2:15 pm by Tom Rosdahl. The **agenda** was adopted by consensus. The **minutes** of February 26, 2007 were approved as corrected by consensus.

Treasurer's Report-David Schutzer

We now have 100 dues paying members and \$740 in donations.

College Administration report-Joy McCaslin

The Student Success Committee will give a further report. When the State Academic Senate raised the English and math requirements, money was put in into helping students who are below the college level. That effort has two aspects:

- Generating a list of the literature of the research on basic skills
- Institutional self-assessment of basic skills efforts. It will eventually be state wide, but the LA district is doing the pilot study, which will include--
 - Organization - how are basic skills efforts are organized
 - Program Components
 - Staff Development
 - Instructional practices

The outcome will be a planning tool; the state will hopefully have money to implement
lizzy is in charge of the committee

--Nabil Abu-Ghazaleh

Educational Technology committee has been meeting. One of their concerns is what will happen when Title III ends in September; what direction will educational technology take? There will be a collaborative effort to reach out to distance education students—whether they are part of the on campus community or those that are taking classes from a long way away.

Articulation Officer/Transfer Center Director-Elizabeth Atondo

The Inter-segmental committee has been meeting to update IGETC policy. Any changes will be vetted through the academic senates and other organizations. It is mainly to clarify policies that are already in place.

Senate President's Report-Tom Rosdahl

- Welcome members of the accreditation team
- Announcement of memorial service for Bert Sanchez on Monday March 28 at 1:00 pm in the PAB
- Announcement of the passing of Larry Humphries last Thursday March 15; there will be a memorial service for him in the faculty dining room on Wednesday March 28 at 4:00 pm.
- DAS representation— We need one DAS representative and several alternates in case the regular representatives can't attend. Next meeting we'll vote; if you are interested in running please contact Tom Rosdahl.
- AVES Scholarships for vocational or occupational field 25 Pierce students received \$1000 each. This an annual award; the students apply in the fall; they have to have a B average. It is named after the donor Fred Aves.

Old Business

- Confirmation of DAS representatives. (This vote will be next meeting)
- Technology Advisory Committee representative. Mike Cooperman was elected.
- Election of Senate representatives to the PCC. We need 2 additional members; each candidate spoke before the voting took place by secret ballot. Lyn Clark and Izzy Goodman were elected.
- Election of Senate representatives to the EPC, 1 additional member Each candidate spoke before the voting took place by secret ballot. Constance Moffat was elected.
- Confirmation of Librarian hiring Committee, Florence Robin, Ann Gibson-Lott, Louise Ehrhardt, Lauren Valdes and Richard Follett. The motion to confirm was moved, seconded and passed.

Committee Reports

Educational Technology Committee- Mitra Hoshiar and Mike Cooperman presented a chart showing the proposed organization of the educational technology staffing plan with a flow chart of activities. It included recommendations of positions to be hired which will support and augment what is now being done by the Title III staff. It will also include a Faculty Trainer (to deal with development of curriculum) and an Instructional Assistant for the faculty support center. The jobs that Mike are doing now would be done by three separate people. The question of who this group would report to has not yet been resolved.

Nabil was questioned as to whether the plan had administrative support. He agreed that there would be support in general for expansion of the current educational technology plan.

Pierce College Council- Pam Brown, Tom Rosdahl, Marian Weiser

They met with the accreditation team and discussed budget, planning , FPPC and PCC with regards to hiring process and the goal of achieving the 75%/25% full time to part time ratio.

Academic Policy-Betty Odello

They will be meeting next Tuesday, working on the academic year annual program plan. Please help your chair with the plan which will be the justification for your faculty hiring, supplies, budget and block grants. They will also be discussing the cost of textbooks; SLOs transfer programs. They will continue their discussion between plant facilities and info tech.

The Business Administration department will “host” a lunch for a fixed price on March 28 - 12:45—1:30.

Curriculum- Sharon Levick

The next meeting is April 13; the deadline for submission to that meeting is April 2.

Last Friday there was a District Curriculum Meeting. They discussed shortening the 20 day review period for new and updated courses. There will be a complete review of every course in the District regarding transferability. The goal is to clean up data base.

Educational Planning Committee- Izzy Goodman, Tom Rosdahl

They met last Friday; Lyn had instructions for completing the Annual Academic program.

Izzy—The viability committee to review the horticulture program. Monday night an independent state organization will be here to look at the agriculture programs; there will be an open forum in College services conference room, which is open to all who are interested in those programs.

Professional Ethics-Phil Stein

Next meeting will be April 9.

Professional Growth and Development-Kathy Oborn

No report

Student Success Committee-Izzy Goodman

Joy gave the report in the administration report above. The document they are working on will give the current status of basic skills on our campus.

Technology Advisory Committee-Jill Binsley

There was a meeting earlier today but Jill couldn't attend.

ASO Report- Abraham White

NO report because the ASO leadership is in Washington DC.

Adjournment was at 3:15.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Levine
Secretary