ACADEMIC SENATE COUNCIL MINUTES AA-216 2:15 p.m.

Monday, August 19, 2002

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 2:15 p.m.

Present: Saul Jones (Chair), Don Head (BSSAT), Tom Murphy (NAS), Jim Ulversoy (PE), Emilie Wilson

(MCHS), Judy Mays (Student Services), Ron Weston (Faculty Development)

Absent: Fritz Pointer (CAH), Suzanne Huey (Resource in Support of Student Services), Deborah Johnson-Rose

(Classified Senate), Liz Xiezopolski (FSCC), Mike Fernandes (Instructional Technology)

Guests: None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: The agenda was approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes were approved with corrections.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Representatives from Education Testing Services (ETS) will be addressing learning outcomes by discussing their Academic Profile, an assessment test, on Thursday, September 5 from 3 - 5 p.m. at the District Office. The Academic Senate encourages faculty to attend. Ron Weston said he would be attending.

Faculty are needed to attend the Fall 2002 Assessment Institute, addressing learning outcomes, that will be held from Sept. 29 - Oct 1 at the District Office. There is a need for faculty to develop an understanding of learning outcomes. Ron Weston said he would attend.

Saul stated that the Academic Senate is only as strong as the body. The Body needs to disseminate information to all faculty whether it be by passing in the halls, or at the division meetings. He also reminded the ASC that the Council shall declare a Council seat vacant upon the failure of a member to attend three consecutive regular scheduled meetings.

Saul announced that the Human Resources Procedure book was available to review in the ASC office. A motion was made and approved to ask the District to send extra copies of the book to the ASC.

STANDING SENATE COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Associated Student Union (Morales) No report.

Middle College High School (Wilson) Emilie reported that MCHS is up and running with 245 students.

President's Cabinet (Jones) No report.

Operations Council (Jones) No report.

Career and Technical Training (B. Williams) No report.

Classified Senate (Johnson-Rose) No report.

College Council (Jones) No report.

District Governance Council (Jones) The Council reviewed proposed Business Procedures revisions.

Governing Board (Jones) Saul reminded the ASC that the agendas and minutes are available on the CCCCD web page and in the CCC Senate office. The Faculty Senate presidents addressed the Board on Learning Outcomes. The notion of learning outcomes will be faculty driven and is something the faculty are going to have to face, but the plus side is that the faculty get to decided how to do it.

The new student trustee is Victoria English from DVC. John Hendrickson presented the budget but is waiting for the State Budget to be approved.

The State Chancellor stated there was no violation in regards to DVC's complaint that the District Office was out of compliance with Title V in regards to consultation without faculty input. This decision was made during the summer without faculty representation. DVC will be proceeding with legal action.

Council of Chairs No report.

FSCC (Xiezopolski/Jones) No report.

Instructional Technology Committee (Fernandes) No report.

Student Services (Mays) No report.

Faculty Development Committee (Weston) No report.

Planning Council (Jones) No report.

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution in Support of Learning Outcomes - Saul feels that its important to support President Carr in the direction she's taking toward the next accreditation, which includes the measurement of learning outcomes. It was discussed that the measurement of learning outcomes will differ between the individual colleges, divisions, departments, and individuals. An endorsement supporting the notion of learning outcome was proposed.

"Whereas, the next Contra Costa College self accreditation should require a learning outcomes component, and whereas the Contra Costa College president supports this effort, the Academic Senate also heartily endorses the notion of learning outcomes, since fostering learning on the part of students is essential to us as instructors. The Academic Senate also heartily endorses the process of the Contra Costa College faculty in determining the appropriate metric for ensuring learning outcomes at Contra Costa College."

Once this proposal is approved by the ASC, it will be sent to all faculty informing them that their ASC representative will be voting on this at the next ASC meeting. If they have input, they need to contact their representative. A list of the ASC senators will be included in the email.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Lynette Kral