

ACADEMIC SENATE COUNCIL
Applied Arts Building AA-216 2:15 p.m.
Monday, January 28, 2008

Contra Costa College
2600 Mission Bell Drive
San Pablo, California 94806

MINUTES

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

Present: T. Elliott (President), F. Pointer (VP), D. Perez (FSCC), A. Scanlin (CLASS), M. Pannu (MCHS)

Absent: C. Tarp (Student Services), E. Geringer (Faculty Development), S. Van Hattum (NSAS),
R. Ramos (Career and Technical Training), J. Hope (ASU), S. West (Classified)

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS: T. Green, L. Cherry, K. Tribble, J. De Torres, McKinley Williams

CONSENT ACTION ITEMS:

Agenda of January 28, 2008 was approved.

Minutes of December 3, 2007 were approved.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Mentor Teacher Concept The process to become a Master Teacher should not be just self-selection. The Council is not sure how to get these ratings. "Rating a Professor" and surveying students were suggested, such as the Golden Apple. The majority of instructional administrators are good teachers and should be instructional leaders. Peer evaluations could be used such as Teacher-of-the-Year, and other such awards. It was stated that the counselors hear a lot about teachers from the students. A master teacher should constantly check to see if their teaching techniques are effective. They want to share by helping others without being asked. Permanent part-time faculty are eligible. Terence asked the Council to discuss this selection process with their division and return with feedback to the ASC.

ASC Bylaws Revision The revisions were reviewed and now will go out to the Faculty Senate as a whole for approval.

Finding Resources for Professional Development Discussion and General Development of Teaching and Learning Linda Cherry reported that the grant for Professional Development is not being written. The Federal Register is not going to accept new Title V grants this year but the Foundation is still earmarking \$50,000 for this. She said that the money needs to be spent before the Foundation takes it back. Terence said that he would ask Ellen Geringer to attend the next Council meeting and share any ideas that the Faculty Development Committee have discussed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Across Curriculum Themes – Peace and Non-Violence Terence is really trying to push community projects that students can receive credit for. He sent out a calendar of Peace and non-violence events for Spring 2008. A project suggestion for ENGL 142B, was for students to visit nursing homes, interview the people, and writing it up. This would improve writing skills. This project could also be video taped by students in Media Communication. It was also pointed out that "Mom and Pop" stores are still doing carbon paper receipts and possibly be open to being involved in a student/community project. The community projects could be showcased in the CCC library. Terence suggested students writing a piece on a RIP including in it whether the death was a random act of violence or if there is a history to be told. Terence asked that the Council discuss this with their division and send ideas to him. Linda Cherry added that a teacher could teach service learning as a teaching and learning concept.

Enrollment Management Issues Terence asked the Council to review the Enrollment Management Plan and bring feedback or concerns to the next ASC.

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS There were no standing committee reports.

COLLEGE COMMITTEE REPORTS There were no college committee reports.

SENATE ANNOUNCEMENTS and OPEN DISCUSSION: There were no announcements from the Senate. There is a concern that information such as the canceling of classes is not getting to faculty and suggests that the Council needs to address this concern. Terence said that the decision when to cancel classes when they are not profitable needs to be research better. He said that the State pays the college \$4,000 for every FTES, which is counted by every 12 units taken here at the college.

PRESENTATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC: There were no presentations from the Public.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be February 11.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 4 p.m.