

Academic Senate Council Minutes
Contra Costa College
2600 Mission Bell Drive, San Pablo, California 94806
Monday, November 2, 2020

* Documents related to these minutes can be accessed [HERE](#).

Online Meeting Called To Order at 2:15 p.m.

Committee members in attendance:

Academic Senate President: Katie Krolikowski

VP/CIC: Mark Wong

LA Representatives: Randy Carver, Erica Watson (alt)

SS Representatives: Sarah Boland, Lorena Gonzalez

AACE Representatives: Brianne Ayala, Michell Naidoo

NSAS Representatives: Leslie Alexander

Distance Ed Representative: Maritez Apigo

CTE Representative: Vacant

Members not in attendance: Jessica Le (alt.), Troy Hess, Andrew Kuo, Agustin Palacios

Guests in attendance: Susan Reno, Karen Ruskowski, Manu Ampim, TJ Bansal, Jon Celesia

AGENDA ITEMS

Agenda of November 2 Sarah motioned to approve; Michell seconded; all in favor; no abstentions.

Minutes of October 19 Leslie motioned to approve with corrections; Erika seconded; all in favor; no abstentions.

Public Comment There was no public comment.

ASC Sub-committees

DE Committee Report: Presentation regarding online proctoring software Maritez presented the first draft of the online proctoring software guidance dated October 2. [Draft DE Sub-Committee's Online Assessment and Proctoring Software Guidance](#). Susan asked if the draft can be distributed to faculty so that they are informed before this body approves this document. Katie said that since this is an agenda item, that the new draft can be shared. Jon stated that many faculty object to approval of these guidelines. He stated that there is more discussion needed and that many of the conclusions in the draft are debatable or in error. Jon also questioned whether the district is going to purchase the program. He would like the members to see the video about the rebuttal and the research on cheating at @ONE "Achieving Equity in STEM through Authentic Assessments". TJ said that at the 20 to 26-minute mark of the video is where it points out problems with proctoring assessment which is the only way academic freedom is met. He doesn't feel that proctoring online is a good process. Lorena and Sarah thanked Maritez for taking this on but agrees with the problems and equity concerns and speaking for the counseling department, feels students are already being overly challenged. Susan stated that faculty "have an ethical and moral accountability to these students and to the community to ensure knowledge is gained." Manu said that requiring students to use this type of software would be a problem for many CCC students and would present definite equity problems. Discussion will continue in preparation for an ASC endorsement vote at the next ASC meeting.

CIC Committee: Mark reported that the CIC meetings are progressing normally. One challenge is still the ton of DE Supplement forms that need to be in by December 14, the last CIC meeting of the semester. He also asked that at the next meeting, the ASC consider the following faculty-driven resolution in support of department decisions regarding distance education of whether all courses should be capable of being taught online, hybrid, or not able to teach online at all.

"Whereas, at the April 6 meeting the Contra Costa College Academic Senate stressed that it "relies upon the content expertise of departments in making the best decisions related to the emergency allowance for remote education."

Whereas, the CCC Academic Senate also stated that decisions "can be made class-by-class, and department guidelines for decision-making should be followed."

Whereas, former Interim Chancellor Gene Huff in his "May 1 District COVID-19 Update" noted that the "determinations about delivery method by course" are to be made by each individual instructional department.

Whereas, considerations of scheduling, budget, and safety of course offerings are overseen by management, and are most effective when faculty expertise is consulted.

And, whereas, the CCC Academic Senate recognizes that conversations around scheduling between departments and the college administrations should balance course integrity with student and staff safety.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the CCC Academic Senate reiterates that decisions regarding teaching modality including fully online, hybrid, or solely in-person, either in general or in emergencies only, are a faculty -led process (??with collegial consultation with college administration??)”

There were no comments from the members.

Faculty and Participatory Governance: Progress report from ad-hoc committee on Ethnic Studies local degree requirement. This item was tabled for lack of time. Lorena motioned; Sarah seconded; all in favor.

Hiring: Report-out on permanent NSAS division dean faculty nominations to hiring committee. This item was tabled for lack of time. Lorena motioned; Sarah seconded; all in favor.

ASC President’s Report Katie reported that resolutions #9-11 are being moved on but that she is having a hard time with #4 and is not sure how it should be ensued.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 2:55 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for November 16.

Respectfully submitted,
Lynette Kral