



For Approval: February 6, 2011

**San Diego Mesa College
Academic Senate
November 28, 2011: H117/H118 (2:15PM-4:00PM)
Minutes**

PRESENT:

Anar Brahmabhatt, Bill Brothers, Leslie Cloud, Jennifer Cost, John Crocitti, Nellie Dougherty, Linda Farnan, Rob Fender, Dwight Furrow, Lupe Gonzales, Martina Hesser, Erika Higginbotham, Madeleine Hinkes, Bill Hoefer, Katie Holton, Sharon Hughes, Geoff Johnson, Leroy Johnson, Ken Kuniyuki, Georgia Laris, Danielle Lauria, Laurie Mackenzie, Joe "Mac" McKenzie, Jonathan McLeod, Phyllis Meckstroth, Kris Clark, Devin Milner, Francisca Rascon, Cynthia Rico-Bravo, Angela Romeo, Ron Ryno, Marilynn Schenk, Barbara Sexton, Shannon Shi, George Svoboda, Terrie Teegarden, and Duane "Walt" Wesley, and Farshid Zand

ABSENT:

Mark Abajian, Becca Arnold, Aulani Chun (Proxy to Tricia Mendoza), Susan Lazear, Thekima Mayasa, Claude Mona, Michelle "Toni" Parsons (Excused), Sabrina Santiago, Michelle Tucker, and Manuel Velez

I. CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME by Academic Senate President Madeleine Hinkes @ 2:200PM.

II. Approval of Today's Agenda: The agenda was approved with the additions of:

- A.** Guests President Luster, Dean Craft, and Dean Fohrman for a discussion of the placement of the Languages department into the Learning Resources Center (LRC) building.
- B.** Announcement that the Board of Governors will meet in San Diego on December 1st from 1:00PM-5:00PM at the Holiday Inn on the Bay (1355 N. Harbor Drive) to discuss the California Community Colleges (CCC) Task Force on Student Success Draft Recommendations.

III. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS:

- A. Associate Student Government (ASG) Representative:** Position is Currently Vacant
- B. Classified Senate Representative:** (Classified Senate President Angela Romeo) – No Report

IV. GUESTS: President Luster, Dean Craft, and Dean Fohrman – Placing the Languages Dept. in the LRC.

- A.** President Luster reported the finalized plan for Mesa College's Prop. S & N construction projects had to be submitted by September 30, 2011:
 - 1. The college had to quickly find an alternative plan for the Languages department due to the loss of square footage for the new Technology building in order to create a mandatory fire lane in an area originally reserved for the Technology building. The mandatory fire lane was somehow missed in earlier planning for Prop S & N construction. Mesa College will not be able to meet many of its needs through Prop. S & N construction projects, including the creation of adequate student parking spaces.
 - a. The LRC second floor was determined to be the best fit and the Languages computer lab is already temporarily located in LRC 229.
 - b. The fourth floor is also under consideration for use by the Languages department.
 - 2. Dean Craft reported there will be sufficient space in the planned new buildings available for students to use as study areas. However, the spaces are not designated as quiet study areas. Eight to ten rooms can be made available for use as group study rooms on the LRC fourth floor.
 - 3. Dean Fohrman reported there is nothing in the Prop. S & N planning document addressing the Languages department. There are only two classrooms available to the Languages department in the G100 building, although one of the building's designations is as a Languages building. Their other classrooms are currently scattered throughout the campus.

4. Devin Milner and Erika Higginbotham expressed concern that the decision was not made through the process of Shared Governance. LRC personnel were not notified until early November well after the decision was already made in September.
5. The Senators also expressed concerns about increased noise and traffic in a building designated as a quiet zone for students to study, and diminished student accessibility to the 800+ reserved books for their classes if less bookshelf space is available due to the changes.
6. All the stakeholders (Languages and LRC Administrators, Faculty, Staff, and Students - Associated Student Government President) will need to meet in order to determine how to put forth a plan to place the Languages department in either the second or fourth floor of the LRC.
7. President Luster will find out if the architectural plans for the project will require state approval.

V. Approval of the Senate Minutes for November 7, 2011:

Motion to approve the minutes without changes:

M/S

Teegarden/Farnan

Unanimous

VI. Senate Exec Committee Reports:

A. Vice-President: (Rob Fender) – No Report

B. Treasurer: (Ken Kuniyuki) – No Report

C. State Senate Representative: (Delegate Katie Holton) – No Report

D. Senator at Large: (Georgia Laris) – No Report

E. Secretary: (Jennifer Cost) – No Report

F. Past President: (Cynthia Rico-Bravo)

1. CA Community Colleges (CCC) Task Force on Student Success Draft Recommendations (SB1143):
 - a. The task force will hold its last meeting in December.
 - b. The task force will submit a rough draft of its recommendations to the Board of Governors in January 2012.
 - c. All 22 recommendations have major implications.
 - d. Chapter 4.1 has been amended to allow community colleges to continue to fund non-credit courses as codified by law and maintain the status quo.
 - e. Chapter 8 on Performance Based Funding – The item on Flexible Categorical Funding has been removed.
 - f. Task Force Chair Peter MacDougall wants to keep all the draft recommendations intact and forwarded to the Board of Governors without any changes.

G. President: (Madeleine Hinkes) – Madeleine will email her report to the Senators.

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. Academic Affairs: (Co-Chair John Crocitti) – No Report

B. Professional Development Committee (PDC): (Chair Sharon Hughes)

1. The next deadline for PDC paperwork is this Wednesday, Nov. 30th. Paperwork submitted by this date will be considered at our last meeting of the calendar year on Dec. 7th.
2. The next salary class advancement deadline is January 25, 2012.
3. Sabbatical information was sent out over email before the Thanksgiving break. Expect another reminder in the coming weeks.

C. Committee of Chairs (COC): (Chair Laurie Mackenzie) – No Report

D. Curriculum Review Committee (CRC): (Co-Chair Toni Parsons) - No Report

E. Basic Skills: (Coordinator Terrie Teegarden)

1. The committee will hold a retreat with our Counselors this Friday to discuss the challenges we are facing and how we can better assist our students. Attendees will receive FLEX credit and lunch.

F. Program Review: (Co-Chair Kris Clark)

1. The committee will review the draft Program Review documents that were due before the Thanksgiving break in order to assist the Lead Writers. Please ask your department's Lead Writers to submit their draft documents, if they have not already done so.

VII. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Resolution 11.11.1 – Senate Constitution Revision: Add Faculty Co-Chair of the Program Review Committee to the Senate Executive Committee: (Hinkes)

Motion to approve the resolution:

M/S

Teegarden/Parsons

Unanimous

- B. District Policy on Civility:** Written by AFT at the last union meeting.
1. Jonathan McLeod reported the policy was successfully vetted by AFT's attorney.
Motion to support the policy:
M/S **McLeod/Cost**

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Resolution 11.11.2 - Opposing the LRC Renovation Plan 2011-2013:** (Milner)
Motion to suspend the rules in order to vote on the resolution today:
M/S **Teegarden/Brothers** **Unanimous**
Motion to approve the resolution:
M/S **Milner/Teegarden** **Unanimous**
- B. Campus Mail:** (George Svoboda)
1. George and Kris Clark reported Drama and Music Faculty are no longer able to receive or send out mail through the Music department office and no one is able to tell them why this has occurred.
a. Madeleine will look into this.
b. A solution has been found for the problem. Drama and Music Faculty will receive and drop off mail in room B103.
- C. Briefing on Admissions and Registration Sections in 2012-2013 Catalog:** (Paula Gustin)
1. The Catalog Subcommittee added new information regarding Admissions Eligibility, Enrollment, and Student Learning Outcomes (SLOs) to the catalog. Please submit your feedback by December 8th.
- D. Resolution 11.11.3 – Opposing Student Success Task Force Recommendations on ESOL:** (Pianta)
1. Opposition to the dismantling of ESOL programs currently available in California community colleges. ESOL programs at the community college level allow students to successfully transfer to four-year institutions at a higher percentage.
Motion to forward the resolution for discussion at the February 6, 2012 Senate meeting:
M/S **Pianta/Schenk** **Unanimous**

IX. Announcements:

- A.** The Board of Governors will meet in San Diego on December 1st from 1:00PM-5:00PM at the Holiday Inn on the Bay (1355 N. Harbor Drive) to discuss California Community Colleges (CCC) Task Force on Student Success Draft Recommendations.
- B.** The next Committee of Chairs (COC) meeting is December 14th in H117/H118 @ 2:15PM.
- C.** The next Academic Senate meeting is scheduled for February 6th in H117/H118 @ 2:15PM.

X. ADJOURNMENT @ 4:05PM.

Submitted by Georgia Laris

Approved by the Senate on: February 6, 2011