



SAN DIEGO MESA COLLEGE ACADEMIC SENATE

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For Approval: May 2, 2011

**MESA ACADEMIC SENATE
April 11, 2011: H117/H118 (2:15PM-4:00PM)
Minutes**

PRESENT:

Anar Brahmhatt, Aulani Chun, Leslie Cloud, Jennifer Cost, Chris Dawes, Nelly Dougherty, Joel Espinosa, Martina Hesser, Madeleine Hinkes, Holly Hodnick, Bill Hoefler, Katie Holton, Sharon Hughes, Jill Jansen, Geoff Johnson, Ken Kuniyuki, Georgia Laris, Danielle Lauria, Susan Lazear, Laurie Mackenzie, Guillermo Marrujo, Thekima Mayasa, Joe "Mac" McKenzie, Jonathan McLeod, Phyllis Meckstroth, Devin Milner, Francesca Rascon, Cynthia Rico-Bravo, Angela Romeo, Mike Sanchez, Marilynn Schenk, Barbara Sexton, Shannon Shi, George Svoboda and Terrie Teegarden

ABSENT:

Mark Abajian, Becca Arnold, Michael Crivello, Rob Fremland (Proxy to Toni Parsons), Dwight Furrow, Peter Jacoby (Proxy to Sharon Hughes), Leroy Johnson, Ron Ryno, Kris Clark (Proxy to Georgia Laris), Tricia Mendoza, Ron Ryno (Proxy to Laurie Mackenzie), Sabrina Santiago, Michelle Tucker, Manuel Velez, Duane "Walt" Wesley and Farshid Zand

I. CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME by President Cynthia Rico-Bravo @ 2:17 PM.

II. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS:

A. ASB Representative: (Joel Espinosa)

1. "Hands across California" will be held at City College in Gordon Quad this Sunday at 2:00PM.
 - a. Those who wish to carpool can meet at Mesa College at 12:30PM.
2. Japanese Disaster Fund (Red Cross):
 - a. Please contact Students Affairs if you would like to make a donation.
 - b. The Academic Senate has made a \$500.00 donation and we are asking the faculty to match the donation.
 - c. The Classified Senate has made a \$200.00 donation and we are also asking classified staff to match the donation.
 - d. The ASB's goal is to raise \$5,000.
 1. We have raised \$1,400 so far.

B. Classified Senate Representative: No Report

C. New Academic Senate Vice President: (Cynthia Rico-Bravo)

1. Cynthia introduced Rob Fender, the new Academic Senate VP, to the senate.

III. GUESTS: (Interim President Armstrong)

A. Summer 2011 Reconstruction Plan:

1. Liz reported the final decision has been made to defund the Summer 2011 with the exception of:
 - a. Allied Health classes our students need to take in order to complete their programs this summer.

- b. The classes our 201 summer 2011 graduates need to complete their associates.
 - i. We will schedule the classes that the majority of our graduates need.
 - ii. The summer graduates will receive emails from Assistant Chancellor Lynne Neault's office giving them priority to register for classes for a few days.
 - iii. If classes are not filled with summer graduates, then those students who were on the spring 2011 wait lists will be contacted for those available courses.
 - iv. Counseling is an essential service during the summer to help students take the necessary assessment tests and prepare for course enrollment in the fall
 - a. Counseling will be fully staffed this summer.
 - c. Classes will only be scheduled during the day and only in a limited number of buildings in order to conserve district resources.
 - d. The LRC will only be open during the day and will not be staffed at the same level as during full summer schedules.
2. Making these necessary cuts during summer 2011 will allow us to offer the full schedule of classes for fall 2011 and spring 2012.

IV. APPROVAL OF SENATE MINUTES: The Minutes of March 18, 2011 were unanimously approved with one correction.

M/S

Hinkes/McLeod

Unanimous

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- A. Academic Affairs:** Academic Affairs committee member Inna Kanevsky was able to locate relevant law in the California Ed. Code that addresses Jonathan's ethics concerns. Cynthia will take the issue to Assistant Chancellor Otto Lee as an issue that needs to be discussed at all our campuses. Position paper #2 discussions will be carried over to the May 2nd meeting.
- B. Professional Development:** Chair Sharon Hughes reiterated that the final deadline for submission of professional development materials for spring 2011 is April 29th.
- C. Committee of Chairs:** The next COC meeting is Wednesday, April 13th in H117/H118.
- D. Curriculum Chair:** No Report.
- E. Basic Skills:** Terrie Teegarden has confirmed the speaker for the "Neuroscience and Student Success" FLEX event scheduled for August 17th from 9:30AM-3:00PM in H117/H118.

VI. SENATE EXEC REPORTS:

- A. President-Elect:** (Madeleine Hinkes)
 - 1. Madeleine would like to use a portion of the A.S. treasury for the classified staff.
 - a. Madeleine has discussed the possibility of co-sponsoring an event or providing a door prize for the classified appreciation week (May 16th – May 20th) with Classified Senate President Robin Watkins and asked for a sense of the senate.
 - i. A sense of the senate was taken to support the contribution.
 - a. The senate unanimously supported making a contribution to a classified appreciation week event.
- B. Treasurer:** No Report.
- C. State Senate Representative:** Katie Holton reported the state-wide academic senate will vote on resolutions regarding repeatability and student success at the spring plenary. Katie reported the designation of drama and physical education classes as "activity" classes causes many to consider these classes to be "frivolous". Jan Ellis reported this goes along with the current attacks that are taking place against physical education programs in the state. Cynthia Rico-Bravo said the discussion needs to be reframed to accurately show that dramatic arts and physical educational programs are legitimate parts of curriculum. Repeatability ensures that students can wait until they

are ready to advance to higher skill level classes by repeating a class. Katie wants debate team members to be able to repeat communication classes in order to develop the skills necessary to compete against teams from other schools.

D. Senator at Large: No Report.

E. Secretary: No Report.

F. President: (Cynthia Rico-Bravo)

1. Strategic Planning Committee (SPC):

- a. Interim President Armstrong took the senate's concerns regarding the lack of faculty representation on the SPC and has incorporated those suggestion in this revision
 - i. The number of faculty members has increased from three to six.
 - a. One of the six faculty representatives will be the faculty co-chair.
- b. We are still in the process of planning to plan.
 - i. We still need to be able to link resource allocation to all aspects of planning.
- c. The SPC will become the Planning and Institutional Effectiveness (PIE) Committee.
- d. We need to learn to plan in a manner that prepares us to proactively deal with future budgetary cuts and legislative constraints that we will continue to face.
 - i. Our decision to defund summer 2011 due to the budgets cuts response to a situation that our district has planned.
 - ii. We also need to make sure we have a plan in place that will allow us to provide sufficient support to our students with counseling, assessment, and enrollment, especially enrollment in basic skills classes.
 - a. There are conversations establishing July 1st as the deadline for our students to apply for the fall semester in order for the students to have sufficient time to receive counseling, take assessment tests, and enroll in classes.
 - i. Setting a deadline for admission will only serve to limit student access and goes against the mission of California community colleges.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Draft District Policies Second Read: (Cynthia Rico-Bravo)

1. Policies:

- a. 5060 – Delineation of Functions Agreements
- b. 5151 - Military Services Education:
 - i. There is suggested wording to this policy in terms of services colleges may provide.
- c. 5160 - Allied Health (Use of outside clinical facilities.)
- d. 5400 – Community Service Programs
- e. 5401 – Catalogs and Related Information Publications:
 - i. Establishes a procedure to develop and revise instructional procedures.

2. Motion to suspend the rules in order to vote on the draft policies.

M/S **Holton/Mackenzie** **Unanimous**

3. Motion to approve the draft policies.

M/S **Teegarden/Hinkes** **Unanimous**

B. Resolution 11.03.10 Clinical Placement Second Read: (Danielle Lauria)

1. The Allied Health department would like to table the resolution in order to make revisions to the resolution.

2. Motion to table the resolution.

M/S **McLeod/Lazear** **Unanimous**

VII. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Teach-In: (Jennifer Cost)

1. We have a Teach-In scheduled for April 27th from 10:45AM-1:00PM in the area between the associated students, the bookstore, the cafeteria, and student affairs.

- a. Our students need to receive accurate information regarding the budget cuts.
 - i. They need to know how the decisions are being made and by whom.
- b. Chancellor Carroll, Interim President Armstrong, VPI Time McGrath, Classified Senate President Robin Watkins and representatives from the AFT, the ASB, and the ICC will be in attendance.
- c. There will an open mike for our students to let the administrators know how the budget cuts and defunding of summer 2011 classes are adversely affecting their educational plans.
- d. Please encourage faculty to allow their students to attend this event during class time since this will be an important educational experience.

2. Motion to suspend the rules in order to take a vote.

M/S **McLeod/Holton** **Unanimous**

3. Motion to use A.S. funds to print and laminate posters for the event.

M/S **Teegarden/ McLeod** **Unanimous**

B. Disruptive Students: (Laurie Mackenzie)

- 1. Laurie reported there was a recent incident where a student threatened another student during class.
 - a. Under policy 3100, the student was suspended for two days.
 - i. However, Dean Hands was not able to meet with the student and the student returned to class before taking the two day suspension.
 - a. A back-up administrator should have been available to meet with the student.
 - b. Students should not be able to return to class until their case is addressed by an administrator.
 - b. Do the other students have a right to keep the offending student out of the class?
 - c. State law seems to make it the faculty's responsibility to maintain order in the classroom.
 - i. However, faculty should also be contractually entitled to a certain level of safety.
 - d. Do we need to reinstate a "crisis team" to help faculty deal with similar situations?
 - e. College Police Sgt. Diana Madero can make a presentation to help faculty deal with this issue.

VIII. Announcements:

- A.** The grand opening for the Mesa College Design Center is scheduled for May 20th.
- B.** The 30th annual Golden Scissors Awards will be held on May 15th.
 - 1. Please contact the fashion department if you would like to model a hat.
- C.** The deans and department chairs will assign the summer 2011 teaching assignments.
- D.** There will be an art sale on May 5th.
- E.** There will be a 2011/2012 Curriculum Overview and update FLEX workshop in August.
- F.** The next Academic Senate meeting is scheduled for May 2, 2011 in H117/H118.

IX. ADJOURNMENT @ 3:55PM.

Submitted by Madeleine Hinkes