

# Academic Senate

## Grossmont College

### Minutes of the Meeting – March 19, 2007

**PRESENT:** Beth Smith (President); Bonnie Schmiede (Vice President); Jennifer Carmean (Senate Officer at Large); Victoria Howitt (Senate Officer at Large); P.J.Ortmeier (Administration of Justice); Jennifer Carmean (ASL); Marion DeKoning for Suda House, Paul Turounet (Art); Gregg Robinson (Behavioral Sciences); Virginia Dudley, Michelle Perchez (Biological Sciences); (Business Administration); Linda Snider, Mark Pressnall (Business Office Technology); Rick Kirby, Don Ridgway (Cardiovascular Technology); Tom Olmstead, Jeff Lehman (Chemistry); Mary Courtney, Amy Obegi (Child Development); (Communication); Diane Mayne-Stafford (Computer Science); Mary Rider, Debbie Lim (Counseling); (Culinary Arts); Jane Nolan, Scott Barr (Disabled Student Services); (Dance); Chris Hill, Judd Curran (Earth Sciences); Joan Ahrens, Tony Ding, Adelle Schmitt (English); Barbara Loveless (ESL);, Pearl Lopez (EOPS); Laura Burger (Exercise Science and Wellness); (Foreign Language); Sue Gonda, Devon Atchison (History); Priscilla Rogers (International Business); Julie Middlemas for Pat Morrison (Library); Peg Hovde, Corey Manchester, Shirley Pereira, Jeff Waller (Math); William Snead (Media Communications); (Music); Tom Oertel (Nursing); (Occupational Therapy); David Milroy (PartTime Representatives); Zoe Close (Philosophy, Humanities & Religious Studies); Ross Cohen (Physics, Astronomy, & Physical Sciences); Brian Jennings (Political Economy); Lorenda Seibold-Phalan (Respiratory Therapy); Craig Everett (Theatre Arts).

**ABSENT:** (President); (Vice President); (Senate Officer at Large); (Senate Officer at Large);, Lance Parr, Tina Young (Administration of Justice); (ASL); Jim Wilsterman, (Art); Israel Cardona, Teresa Jacob (Behavioral Sciences); Michael Golden (Biological Sciences); Judith Zander, Evan Enowitz, Nate Scharff (Business Administration); (Business Office Technology); (Cardiovascular Technology); (Chemistry); (Child Development); Joel Castellaw, Sheri Guseman (Communication);, Janet Gelb (Computer Science); Tom Gamboa, James Foran (Cross Cultural Studies); James Canady (Counseling); Joe Orate, James Foran (Culinary Arts); David Mullen (Dance); (Disabled Student Services); (Earth Sciences); Gary Phillips, Julie Cardenas, Micah Jendian (English); Pat Bennett, Nancy Herzfeld-Pipkin (ESL); Sylvia Montejano (EOPS); Jim Symington, Karen Caires, Larry Larsen (Exercise Science and Wellness); Paul Vincent (Foreign Language); (History); (International Business); (LRC); Jenny Vanden Eynden, (Math); Evan Wirig, (Media Communications); Steve Baker, Fred Benedetti, Derek Cannon (Music); (Nursing); Christine Vicino (Occupational Therapy); Raul Sandelin (PartTime Representatives); Bill Hoaglin (Philosophy, Humanities & Religious Studies); (Physics, Astronomy, & Physical Sciences); Robert Gordon (Political Economy); (Respiratory Therapy); Beth Duggan (Theatre Arts).

**GUESTS:** Alan Renga – Adjunct Faculty, History

**RECORDER:** Tasa Campos

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

##### A. Approval of Agenda

A motion was made to approve the day's agenda.

M/S/U Schmiede/Mayne-Stafford

**Approval of Minutes from March 5, 2007**

A motion was made to approve the March 5, 2007 meeting minutes.

Scott Barr brought forward the issue of the Brown Act and emails. It was agreed this would be an item for discussion at a later date.

M/S/U Olmstead/Kirby

## **II. PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

### **Board Workshop on Governance**

Beth reported on the upcoming Board Workshop on Governance. The venue had change to the La Mesa Community Center. The workshop is schedule for Tuesday, March 27, 2007, 2:00 – 5:00 p.m. Beth encouraged Chairs, Senate Officers and any faculty serving on Academic Senate Committees to attend. The workshop will be very generic and as close to technical assistance there may be. Dean Colli had shared there would be some substitute time available for those faculty attending. Beth will send out an email tomorrow with the information and directions.

### **System Exploration of Common Assessment Instruments**

Beth shared that the state is looking at developing common assessment instrument system to be used statewide at all community colleges. This new system would include portable assessment results. The group discussed possible outcomes of the change. Beth will have more information to report after attending the Plenary Session in April.

### **Other**

Scott Barr introduced Pearl Lopez at a new EOPS representative. Pearl will be a Senator for the EOPS Department along with Sylvia Montejano.

## **III. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Instructional Computing Committee**

Diane Mayne-Stafford reported on the following information:

- College email accounts forwarding to personal email accounts. About 1/3 of part time faculty would like this to happen. IS does not have the means to do this for all faculty requesting the option and is suggesting they do it themselves. Faculty will be given a step-by-step instruction on how to do this.
  
- A new problem some faculty are experiencing is some of the email sent to them from their students are being held up by the

district spam blocker. Please send any examples of this occurring to Diane.

- ☐Evaluations of online courses. The students are not completing the evaluations. The United Faculty will be working with online instructors to review ways in encourage and/or make it easier for students to complete the evaluations.

Please direct any questions regarding this information to Diane.

### **Distinguished Faculty**

Bonnie Schmiede shared the Distinguished Faculty nominations are now open. The information has gone to the deans. She reviewed the following dates:

Nominations to the divisions by April 20.

Nominations to the group by May 4.

Decision made on June 1.

The nominations need to come from the faculty member's own division but supporting information and materials can come from other areas.

## **IV. ACTION ITEMS**

### **Faculty to Serve on Committees**

The group reviewed the following list of faculty to serve on committees:

Michelle Tucker – Petitions Committee

Victoria Howitt – College Wide Professional Development Committee

Craig Milgrim – CSEA Task Force on Future Bookstore

Janice Johnson – CSEA Task Force on Future Bookstore

Sheridan DeWolf – Hiring Committee for Vice Chancellor Business

John Mercurio – College Recognition Committee

Barbara Loveless, Jane Nolan, Michael Grant, Brian Keliher, Mary Rider, David Milroy – Task Force on Faculty Rights (United Faculty appointees – Zoe Close & Marion DeKoning)

A motion was made to approve the list.

M/S/U Kirby/Burger

The motion passed.

## **V. INFORMATION ITEMS**

### **Child Development Presentation**

Mary Courtney gave a Power Point presentation on California Community Colleges Curriculum Alignment Project 2006-2007 for Child Development. Mary distributed a hand out containing the following definition:

"Working with at steering committee of 32 faculty members from two and four-year public colleges located all over the state, we are aligning a 24-unit lower division core of courses representing best and promising teaching practices in response to the needs of California's young children and their families. The recommendation resulting from this effort will be a lower division *Program of Study* offered in all California Community Colleges early childhood teacher education programs and packaged to transfer to California State Universities, increasing the much needed number of B.A. Degrees in the state as well as the reliable competence of teachers in the thousands of classrooms each day working with hundreds of thousands of young children."

Mary also reviewed the accomplishments to date. The group thanked Mary for her presentation.

### **Update to Senate By-Laws – Attachment #1**

Beth stated since the Academic Senate Constitution had been modified last fall the Academic Senate By-Laws now needed to be amended to coincide with the constitution. The group reviewed, by overhead, the suggested changes to be made to the by-laws. The attachment had been distributed with the day's agenda. Beth requested the group take the information back to their department's and share the information. The Senate will vote on the suggested changes at the April 30 Academic Senate meeting.

### **Recommendation for Adding Public Comment – Attachment #2**

The group reviewed the agenda attachment #2 containing recommendations for adding public comment to the Academic Senate agendas. The group discussed the following:

Purpose

Where to place public comment item on the agenda. At the beginning or end of meetings.

#### Possible Formats

Beth suggested the information be taken back to the departments and reviewed with other faculty. Please send her any additional ideas and/or thoughts.

#### **Board Policy 5016 – Attachment #3**

Beth and the group reviewed attachment #3 of the agenda, Board Policy 5016 – Probation, Disqualification, and Readmission. Beth reported there has been some confusion regarding this board policy and the number of units indicated in the policy. The policy had been changed but the information in the catalogs has not. The Senate was not aware of the policy being altered in 2003.

#### **VI. OTHER**

Meeting adjourned at 12:20p.m.

**\*The next meeting will be on April 16th, 2007 in Room 524.**

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