

Academic Senate Grossmont College

Minutes of the Meeting – March 2, 2009

MEETING ATTENDANCE:

X	Chris Hill (President)	X	Janet Gelb (CSIS)	X	Sue Gonda (History-Sen Officer)
X	P.J. Ortmeier (AOJ)	X	Diane Mayne-Stafford (CSIS)	X	Devon Atchison (History-Sen Officer)
X	Lance Parr (AOJ)	X	Ronald Norman (CSIS)	X	Angela Feres (History)
X	Tina Young (AOJ)	X	Donne Leigh (Counseling)	X	Priscilla Rogers (Inter Bus)
X	Jennifer Carmean (ASL)	X	Mary Rider (Counseling)	X	Patty Morrison (Library)
	Jamie Gould (ASL)	X	Bonnie Schmiede (Counseling)	X	Jenny VandenEynden (Math)
	Jim Wilsterman (Art)		Tom Gamboa (Cross Cult Stud)	X	Susan Working (Math)
X	Steve Garcia (Art)		Joe Orate (Culinary Arts)	X	Ray Funk (Math)
	Jennifer Bennett (Art)		James Foran (Culinary Arts)	X	Arturo Millan (Math)
X	Israel Cardona (Behav Sci)	X	David Mullen (Dance) - Spring	X	Shirley Pereira (Math)
X	Gregg Robinson (Behav Sci)	X	Jane Nolan (DSPS)		Evan Wirig (Media Comm)
X	Rebekah Wanic (Behav Sci)	X	Carl Fielden (DSPS)	X	William Sneed (Media Comm)
X	Richard Unis (Behav Sci)	X	Gary Jacobson (Earth Sci)		Derek Cannon (Music)
X	Virginia Dudley (Biol Sci)		Jerry Mason (Earth Sci)		Paul Kurokawa (Music)
X	Allison Shearer (Biol Sci)	X	Oralee Holder (English)		Steve Baker (Music)
X	Michele Perchez (Biol Sci)	X	Adelle Schmitt (English)	X	Joy Zozuk (Nursing)
X	Brian Keliher (Bus Admin)	X	Joan Ahrens (English)	X	Christine Vicino (Occ Therapy)
	Nate Scharff (Bus Admin)	X	Stephanie Mood (English)	X	David Milroy (Part-time Rep)
	Linda Snider (BOT)	X	Chuck Passentino (ESL)	X	Lee Johnson (Part-time Rep)
	Barb Gillespie (BOT)	X	Barbara Loveless (ESL)	X	Zoe Close (Phil/Hum/Rel Studies)
X	Rick Kirby (CVT)		Nancy Herzfeld-Pipkin (ESL)		Bill Hoaglin (Phil/Hum/Rel Studies)
	Don Ridgway (CVT)		Sylvia Montejano (EOPS)		Ross Cohen (Physics)
	Jeff Lehman (Chemistry-Sen Off)	X	Pearl Lopez (EOPS)	X	Stephanie Plante (Physics, Astr. Ph Sc)
	Martin Larter (Chemistry)	X	Laura Burger (Exer Sci/Well-Sen Officer)		Joe Braunworth (Polit Economy)
X	Cary Willard (Chemistry)	X	Jim Symington (Exer Sci/Well)	X	Scott McGann (Polit Economy)
X	Sheridan DeWolf (Child Dev)		Randy Abshier (Exer Sci/Well)	X	Lorenda Seibold-Phalan (Resp Ther)
X	Mary Courtney (Child Dev)	X	Dan Clauss (Exer Sci/Well)		Barry Winn (Resp Ther)
X	Joel Castellaw (Comm)	X	Karen Caires (Exer Sci/Well)	X	Craig Everett (Theatre Arts)
X	Jill Carleton (Comm)	X	Antonio Crespo (Foreign Lang)		
X	Victoria Howitt (Comm)				

X = present at meeting

GUESTS:

- Beth Smith –Math Faculty, South Representative, ASCCC
- Raul Sandelin – English Faculty
- George Gastil – History Faculty
- Jerry Buckley – Dean, Mathematics, Natural Sciences, Exercise Science and Wellness
- John Colson – VP, Student Services
- Jim Mahler – President, American Federation of Teachers

RECORDER: Devon Atchison

I. CALL TO ORDER (11:05)

A. Public Comment

Jim Mahler, from American Federation of Teachers (AFT), introduced himself and reminded people to sign blue cards.

B. Approval of Agenda

A motion was made to approve the day's agenda.
M/S/U Perchez/Holder

C. Approval of Minutes from February 2, 2009

A motion was made to approve the minutes from the February 2, 2009 meeting.
M/S/U Ahrens/VandenEynden

II. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

A. Announcements

Chris announced that Brian Jennings from the Political Economy department had been in an accident and would be out 3-6 months. She also mentioned that the new chancellor started that day and that she would invite her to an upcoming senate meeting.

Chris shared the results of the accreditation letter which stated that the ACCJC had accepted the follow-up letter with no sanctions. She expressed appreciation to all the faculty for their efforts on Student Learning Outcomes and especially Devon Atchison and Chuck Passentino for their leadership in the effort. For the Fall 2009, there are four recommendations still need to be addressed: diversity in hiring, authority, evaluation, and selection of the college president, board goals and evaluation of district services, and improving relations with the district.

Chris provided a handout with a budget update and asked the senate if they would like to have a presentation on the budget in the near future. The Senate acknowledged that they would.

Chris then opened nominations for the Senate Officers positions. There are three at-large seats and one at-large part-time seat open. The Vice President seat is also open. She also announced that the upcoming ballot will include the proposed changes to the Constitution recently approved by the Senate. The following nominations were put forth and accepted: Sue Gonda (VP); George Gastil (PT); Laura Burger (At-large); Devon Atchison (At-large). Nominations close on the 16th of March at the next senate meeting. With the current electronic balloting process, there will also need to be a future discussion on the need for an Elections Committee as indicated in the by-laws.

B. Discussion on Part-time Compensation for Committee Service

Chris began the discussion with a review of the language in a recent email from United Faculty (UF) regarding compensation for part-time faculty for committee service. She outlined some concerns that she and Mike Wangler (Cuyamaca Academic Senate President) had expressed to Zoe Close (UF President). Primarily the concerns surrounded the language within the agreement that suggested the college administrators would be appointing faculty to committees.

Zoe explained the background of the issue and the process by which the agreement had been reached. During the ensuing discussion several issues were raised including concerns over which committees qualified under the language, what the process would be for tracking the people and hours, what work would be counted, what was the possible effect on part-time load and what effect would budget have on the appointment process.

Additional discussion revolved around the types of consultation that needed to be in place to address issues that are of interest to both faculty organizations (Academic Senate and UF) and suggestions were made to develop a memorandum of understanding (MOU) to better clarify the relationship.

As a result, a motion was made to create a task force to examine the issues surrounding the implementation of this agreement. The task force can look at the agreements from other colleges and unions as a starting place. The task force would include part-time faculty, as well as representatives from both Academic Senates and UF.

M/S/U Robinson/Milroy

At some point in the discussion a second version of the side letter agreement was examined and revised language was proposed by the senate body. A motion was made to ask the UF Steering Committee to amend the agreement language to include the following excerpt:

“Part-time faculty appointed by the Academic Senates to shared governance committees shall be compensated for committee service...”

M/S/U Milroy/Caires

III. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. None

IV. ACTION ITEMS

A. None

V. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Academic Integrity Statement

Chris gave a brief background to say that the statement in the catalog is in conflict with legal language and needs to be revised. The issue is a timely one, so she asked everyone to notify her before the next senate meeting with any modifications.

B. International Baccalaureate Proposal

Chris asked the senators to read over the proposal before next meeting's discussion.

The next meeting is scheduled for March 16, 2009.

Meeting Adjourned at 12:20 p.m.

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