

MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE

Grossmont College

Monday February 6, 2017 Griffin Gate, 11:00 – 12:20

Attendance: Tate Hurvitz, Jeff Lehman, Beth Kelley, Pearl Lopez, Cary Willard, David Milroy, Ken Ard, Terry Reilly, Jessica Woods, Sharon LeSure, Jennifer Carmean, Brian Carter, Brodney Fitzgerald, Philip Blanco, Gregg Robinson, Lara Braff, Michele Perchez, Brian Keliher, Liz Barrow, Diana Vance, Angie Gish, Robin Sepulveda, Joel Castellaw, Denise Schulmeyer, Roxanne Tuscany, Janet Gelb, Clifton Quinn, Renee Tuller, Gabrielle Gosslin, Stephanie Decker, Ticey Hosley, Sue Gonda, James Foran, David Mullen, Mark Goodman, Judd Curran, Oralee Holder, Joan Aherns, Helen Liesberg, Barbara Loveless, Randy Abshier, Pricilla Rogers, Jessica Owens, Julie Middlemas, Julie Middlemas, Felicia Kalker, Nemie Capacia, Raymond Funk, Susan Working, Evan Wirig, Jeanette Calo, Derek Cannon, Lisa Maloy, Zoe Close, Scott McGann, Beth Duggan, Marion DeKoning

Guests: Javier Ayala, Barbara Gallego, Michael Copenhaver, Mark Poupard, Stacy Teeters, Agustin Albarra, Sarah Moore, Tyler Dranguet, Bill McGreevy

Recorder: Jacqui Valdivia

I. Call to Order 11:02 am

A. Public Comment

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B. Motion to approve the Agenda

M/S Gregg Robinson/Marion DeKoning
Motion Passed

C. Approval of Minutes from December 12, 2016

M/S Sue Gonda/Ken Ard
Motion Passed.

II. Presidents Report (Tate Hurvitz)

A. Census Drop Date (Wayne Branker)

Census rosters are required to be submitted by February 13, 2017. If the census roster is not submitted then faculty will not be able to access the final grade roster and students will be billed and responsible for the fees and will receive a grade. Lisa Lundgren was introduced as the system specialist and faculty liaison. She will help with all the rosters and the process. Any questions or concerns you can contact her lisa.lundgren@gcccd.edu

B. "Couse Blurbs"

We are now able to put a small description of our courses online on Web Advisor.

Only 6 departments have submitted their blurbs. There are two different processes based on whether courses are stand-alone courses (only offered at one college) or if they are a jointly offered course that would have to be agreed upon at both colleges. The two different processes were outlined in a PDF emailed in December. All of these blurbs need to be in by the fall semester. If you would rather have someone else do your blurbs, we do have adjunct faculty who can help with these. Contact Tate Hurvitz if you have questions.

C. OER

Grossmont now has an Open Educational Resources (OER) website that is very helpful. It has many links that take you to more information on OER and how to use it. Click on the Faculty and Staff tab on the Grossmont Homepage - half way down on the gray bar you will see "Open Educational Resources." There is a lot of information, and many links to well-curated OER materials, so give yourself time to look through it all. [Addendum: Since our last meeting, MariaDenise (Dee) Aceves has accepted the OER coordinator position, so you may direct questions to her].

III. ACTION ITEMS

Safe Haven Resolution (see attachment)

Last semester we introduced a resolution for discussion regarding making our campus a safe haven for undocumented students. There have been some revisions so that we do not overstate how we can help support our students. We also want the statement to be strong enough language that the students will understand that faculty are standing for them and with them. This has been vetted with officers at both GC and CC. It was discussed again at the start of this term at the Joint Academic Senate meeting during flex week. This is a joint resolution so it must be agreed upon by both colleges.

A motion was made to open the discussion on the floor by Sue Gonda, and Seconded by Gregg Robinson.

What is the end result we want from making this resolution? Would it be better to keep this more quiet to keep it from becoming publically vulnerable? Some of the concerns raised were of where would the financial commitment come from. What are the legal and financial ramifications?

One answer was we want this be heard so that students know that we are supporting them and

will try the best we can to alleviate the stress and anxiety they are experiencing in the wake of the new administration's early actions. This resolution really just supports the standing legal protections already in place. If the laws are to change, we will revisit this resolution. This does not mean that we would protect someone that was breaking the law. As far as the financial ramifications, one likely source we might seek to use would be the equity funds.

Suggestions to change the language "fully endorsed" to "endorsed," as well as correcting two typos were accepted as freindly ammendments.

The resolution was moved to vote:

42 in favor, 3 opposed and 5 abstentions

Motion Passed

II. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. California Guided Pathways Program

On December 8 the California Guided Pathways announce an opportunity for colleges to participate in a program that supports Colleges' work to build "guided pathways." Interim Senior Dean of College Planning and Institutional Effectiveness (Aaron Starck) presented information about the project and the degree to which it represented work that was consistent with things we are currently doing. The cost is 15,000 a year for 3 years. This would support us by giving resources to staff and faculty. It would also cover the cost of sending a team of 5 to a conference each semester. There was general concern of whether or not to submit the application for this support and the cost. While most were generally supportive of the concept - and were persuaded by the support it has already recieved from the faculty and staff leaders working in leadership positions on related projects - there was concern about the very short turnaround time and about whether engaging outside help was the most effective way to accomplish our goals. An informal vote revealed a high level of support for moving forward.

B. Basic Need Taskforce – Ran out of time, will cover in next meeting

C. Timelines – Ran out of time, will cover in Next meeting

Meeting adjourned at 12:28 pm.
Next Meeting: March 6, 2017 11am