

Minutes of the Academic Senate Meeting
Tuesday, September 14, 2010

Members present: Nancy Schur, Kelly Loche, Jennifer Fe Ilguth, Steven Triano, Tony Anderson, Janet Pessagno, Sunita Lanka and Mark Roberts

1. The meeting was called to order by the new President Nancy Schur and the Agenda was unanimously adopted.

2. No public comments were made.

3. President's Report: Nancy gave details of the forthcoming Region B meeting, a Preview Plenary Session which was going to be held on October 29th at Monterey Peninsula College between 10 and 3 pm. She also reported information on the upcoming state level Resolutions. Nancy Schur would represent Hartnell College at the Area B meeting and Sunita Lanka volunteered to join her at the meeting.

4 . Senate Orientation: The Past President, Kelley Loche gave the members a senate orientation explaining in detail the California Ed Code 870902. She also gave a power point demonstration of Robert's Rules and the Brown Act. She clarified for the members that any meeting could be called for with a 72 hour advanced notice. In a non Brown Act organization the minutes of the meeting, also the agenda could be amended. Since we are bound by the noticing rules of the Brown Act, we would need to stick to the posted agenda with a few esoteric exceptions.

5 .Action Items: A) Committee Appointments

Curriculum Committee: 1) The members unanimously voted in favor of Kelly Loche as the Curriculum Leader. The election of Larry Adams as a Curriculum Committee Member was decided to be put up as a discussion item for the following Senate meeting.

2) Discontinuance Process – Auto Collision - Two faculty members (outside the discipline) asked to review the Auto Collision program in accordance with the discontinuance policy. The members voted in favor of Steven Triano and Kelly Loche.

3) Financial Information Subcommittee of RAC: Nancy Schur was unanimously voted as Senate representative of the Financial Information Subcommittee.

B) Approval of Peer Reviewers/Evaluators

Joe Welch for John Anderson
Jim Butler for Melisa Hornstein
Pimol Moth for Brooke Haag
Andy Watt for Matt Collins

C) Tony Anderson was unanimously elected as Member-At-Large for the Steering Committee. Mark Roberts was also nominated and elected for the Adjunct vacancy.

D) The 5 Goals approved under this agenda were:

a) Strengthening the Faculty Development Committee

b) Revising Policy of Equivalency to Minimum Qualifications

c) Developing recommended policy for adjunct hiring and evaluation process.

d) Senate Communications

e) Amending Constitution: It was agreed that various Disciplines would be asked to nominate members for the Senate and an amendment would be made regards the membership.

f) Implementing the information competency graduation requirement.

7. Announcements (Senators): Jennifer Fellguth announced that she was asked to continue for some more time to be a resource for the Distant Ed and Adjunct faculty.

8) Items for consideration for future agendas were brought forth by Senators

The meeting was adjourned at 5:05 pm__

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