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Regular Meeting
Thursday, September 9, 2004

MINUTES

PRESENT: D. Babylon, P. Boatner, J. Ford, S. Haber, J. Hider, B. Jennings, K. Ingram, D. McGehee, T. Phillips, J. Reed, P. Santana, P. Setzer, P. Thiss, D. Troy, B. Viersen, S. Weinert, K. Wergeland, T. Zambelli

OTHERS: Cristina Chiraboga, Tammi Marshall, Lyn Neylon, Geraldine Perri, Omero Suarez, Al Taccone, Jim Wales

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CALL TO ORDER

Senate President Jan Ford called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was M/S/P (Zambelli/Weinert) to approve the minutes of the meeting of May 13, 2004.

II. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

A. *District Chancellor's Report*

District Chancellor Dr. Omero Suarez spoke to the senate about the current status of Proposition R funds. Referring to challenges regarding distribution of the funds, he gave assurance on behalf of the Governing Board and himself that resources will be applied as stated in the ballot, following the planning process and adhering to shared governance. Dr. Suarez reported that equalization brought in an additional \$2 million this year with a possibility of \$2 million for the following year. He praised the work of Cuyamaca President Dr. Perri and Senate President Jan Ford, advised the faculty to be aware of what is being done on behalf of the college, and emphasized the importance of communicating.

B. *College President's Report*

President Dr. Perri provided background on the Proposition R funding and outlined the priorities and funding plan for Cuyamaca College in the adoption budget for 2004-2005. She invited senators and faculty to her office hours if they have further questions or comments.

C. *Academic Senate Orientation*

Senate President Jan Ford briefly reviewed the materials distributed to the senators as an orientation on the role and processes of the senate.

D. *Committee Appointments*

Jan Ford relayed that the Senate Officers Committee is working on committee appointments and will report the assignments at a later date after faculty members have been notified.

III. ACTION

A. *Senate Resolution for Voluntary Dues from Faculty*

It was M/S/P (Phillips/Zambelli) to authorize Tim Phillips, the Senate Officer-at-Large, to create a letter to send to the faculty soliciting \$10 voluntary dues to support senate expenses.

IV. INFORMATION

A. *Hybrid (Blended) Classes*

Kari Wergeland, co-chair of the Online Teaching and Learning Committee, and Dr. Al Taccone presented information on blended classes and provided background on the process developed by the Online Teaching and Learning Committee to offer classes in the blended format.

Blended classes are those with at least fifty-one percent of the class hours taught in regular classroom format and the remainder taught online. The questions and syllabus items on the distributed form are intended to provide guidelines for structuring blended classes and to ensure that the classes offered are of the highest quality.

B. *New Schedule Parameters*

Tammi Marshall and Dr. Cristina Chiriboga from the Instructional Council provided background and overview of the proposed schedule parameters that have been discussed and adopted at Instructional Council. The schedule change for the spring semester will facilitate students' scheduling of classes and synchronize Cuyamaca's class schedule with other community colleges in the San Diego County area.

C. *Proposed Change in Senate Structure* – Omitted due to time constraints.

V. ADDITIONAL REPORTS

A. *Vice President's Report* -- No report

B. *United Faculty Report*

Dr. Lyn Neylon reported on behalf of United Faculty that an important issue being discussed in contract negotiations is reinstating the salary steps and columns package for 2004-05. She urged the faculty to learn more about the issue and communicate any concerns directly to the chancellor.

ADJOURNMENT – Senate President Jan Ford adjourned the meeting at 4:00 p.m.

Reported by Nancy Perry