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Special Senate Meeting Thursday, April 6, 2006

MINUTES

PRESENT: P. Boatner (proxy for D. Hajj), E. Cárdenas, E. Cline, G. Differding, B. Elliott,

J. Ford, P. Haro, M. Bucky (proxy for L. Neylon), T. Pagaard, D. Riley, P. Setzer,

J. Riley (proxy for M. Wangler), S. Weinert, T. Zambelli

ABSENT: S. Haber, D. Hajj, L. Neylon, B. Viersen, M. Wangler, K. Wergeland

OTHERS: Erik Berliner, David Detwiler

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CALL TO ORDER

Senate President Jan Ford called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

M/S/P (Elliot/Weinert) to approve the minutes of the meeting of March 23, 2006.

II. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

A. Academic Senate Newsletter Update

Senate President Jan Ford distributed copies of the latest newsletter *UPDATE* from the State Academic Senate President. This publication is online on the State Academic Senate website. From that publication, Jan highlighted the Math/English Graduation Requirements that are making their way through the state process. She noted the Californians for Community Colleges Ballot Initiative has been delayed with plans to appear on the June 2008 ballot. Jan also mentioned the Minimum Qualifications/Disciplines changes that are being considered. One change relates to creative writing; another concerns counseling. The State Academic Senate website provides an outline of what the new process is going to be for recommending changes to minimum qualifications.

- **B.** *State Academic Senate Conference* is being held the last week of April. The resolutions are being discussed in area meetings the weekend of April 7.
- **C.** *Budget Forum* will be held on Thursday, May 4th at 1:00 to discuss the budget for the college next year. Attendance by faculty is recommended.

III. ACTION

A. Summer & Fall Registration & Schedule Debut

M/S/P (Setzer/Differding) to approve participation in the Summer/Fall Registration and Schedule Debut on May 9^{th} by providing a raffle to give away \$50 for text books to a student enrolled in the summer session and \$100 for textbooks to a student enrolled in the fall semester.

B. Board Policies

M/S/P (Setzer/Elliot) to recommend approval of BP3710 and BP3715, with the amendment that the last paragraph of 3710 be added as well to 3715. Passed unanimously.

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C. Curriculum for 2006-2007

M/S/P (Boatner/Cline) to approve the Curriculum Packet for 2006-2007.

IV. DISCUSSION

A. Parking on Campus

Tony Zambelli led a discussion on issues concerning traffic and parking during the extensive construction that is underway on campus. Ideas and concerns shared in the discussion included: 1) Keeping the campus pedestrian friendly instead of parking friendly; 2) Moving disabled parking at the track to parking around the R building; 3) Making disabled parking more accessible; 4) Enforcing designated parking by ticketing those parked in the wrong designated areas, 5) Adding more pedestrian designated crossings for safety, and 6) Adding speed bumps. It was also noted that the increase in construction work-crews reduces the availability of student parking. Concern was expressed that cars are getting in the habit of dropping off students near the A building therefore adding to congestion. It was recommended that Jan Ford take these concerns and suggestions back to the Facilities Master Planning Council to make them aware of faculty concerns in this area. It was recommended that the chair of the Facilities Master Planning Council be invited to the Senate to answer questions on this matter.

B. Board Policy Revisited

Jan Ford shared new information obtained on BP 5016 on Probation, Disqualification, and Readmission. In light of this information, the Senate agreed to stand by its original recommendation to not recommend to IPC or DEC the current change being proposed.

V. ADDITIONAL REPORTS

A. Vice President's Report

Jan ford reported for Susan Haber that Accreditation Standard III still needs a full-time faculty member.

- **B.** Academic Master Plan Ed Cline reported that the process is being streamlined and made more user-friendly. A draft of the new form was passed around and chairs and coordinators are being asked for their input on the new form.
- C. Other Jan reminded the Senators that there are only two remaining Senate meetings this semester and both are critical. The Academic Master Plan, Tech Plan, Student Services Master Plan will be coming for information at the next meeting. The Academic Rank Task Force will report revisions they are proposing for application to full professor rank. The Staff Development Coordinator David Detwiler will be giving a live demonstration of the improved Staff Development website.

ADJOURNMENT – Senate President Jan Ford adjourned the meeting at 3:20 p.m.

Reported by Barbara Modica.

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