



• A C A D E M I C • S E N A T E •
M I N U T E S

Thursday, October 13, 2016

2:00 – 3:45 p.m.

Room E-106

Present: Alicia Muñoz, Paul Carmona, Michael Aubry, Daniel Curtis, Noha Ireqiat, Angela Nesta, Kathryn Nette, Tim Phillips, Robert Stafford, Seth Slater, Joseph Young.
Absent: Emad Aloka, Mary Asher Fitzpatrick, Amaliya Blyumin, Guillermo Colls, Kim Dudzik, Courtney Hammond, Tania Jabour, Raad Jerjis, Patrick Thiss.
Others: Bob Garber, Peter Utgaard, Chuck Charter, Lilia Pulido (Proxy for Raad Jerjis)
Recorder: Laci Diaz

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CALL TO ORDER: Alicia Muñoz, President called the meeting to order at 2:03pm

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES- Tabled for next meeting. Senate did not meet quorum.

II. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

A. Announcements –

1. It has come up that Web Advisor should have a course description blurb to give the students a better understanding of the course. A trial run has been done this semester with Arabic classes. Part-time Faculty members will be hired the help write these course descriptions. For another trial test will be done with courses specific to Cuyamaca such as Ornamental Horticulture and Automotive. The Senate suggested that instead of having someone write these blurbs can a hyperlink be added that would link them to the course description in the catalog.
2. The GCCCD and the East County Chamber of Commerce is interested in developing the area around Gillespie Field to develop workforce opportunities. The District has been discussing the creation of a Workforce Opportunity Resource Center that would offer credit and non-credit career and technical education courses and programs.

B. District & College Council Updates – None.

III. Vice President's Report

- A. SOC Committee Appointments-** Chris Branton and Cindy Morrin have been appointed to the Scholarship committee. Lucinda Hollands has been appointed to the Instructional Program Review Planning committee. Cindy Morrin has been appointed to the Student Services Program Review Planning committee. Rachelle

Panganiban and Sophia Romeri have been appointed to the Petition Review committee. Joe D'Amato has been appointed to the Bookstore and Food Services committee. Kristin Zink has been appointed to the Academic Rank committee. Tammi Marshall, Angela Nesta, Robert Stafford, and Donna Hajj have been appointed to the New Faculty Orientation Taskforce.

IV. Part Time Officer-at-Large Report

- A. Robert Stafford, Part Time Officer- at-Large, reported that during equity week, we'll be showing Professors in Poverty, which Seth has been coordinating with a national adjunct organization, and we'll be hosting a round-table discussion afterwards, which Robert will be moderating. This will be October 26th.

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

VI. ACTION

- A. **Curriculum Committee-** Chuck Charter brought a first reading of the curriculum packet to review. Psychology is introducing a new course, Psychology 201, as a pass/no pass course. This was done to be in alignment with Grossmont College.
- B. **Student Success and Basic Skills** –Tabled for next meeting.
- C. **Academic Calendar Committee** – Tabled for next meeting.

VII. INFORMATION

- A. **Student Services Building** – Bob Garber, Interim President of Cuyamaca College, provided an update on the location of the new Student Services building. Because of increased costs that would detract from future building projects, Bob Garber proposed having the new building adjacent to the Student Center (I Building) and the Bus Stop which would be cost effective, prevent encroachment of the Grand Lawn, and place the new building closer to the upper campus.
- B. **Open Educational Resources (OER)** – Dr. Peter Utgaard, Interim Dean of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences and Chair of History Department provided information on the Open Educational Resources initiative. The OER is a movement that supports offering cheap or free textbooks to students. Students have been known to not take certain classes due to the costs of the textbook and other related materials. This movement looks at other ways to provide textbooks such as using the cloud or home grown materials. Faculty is key to this movement. A small workgroup has been formed to evaluate what Cuyamaca Faculty are already doing to provide cheaper textbooks and materials to students.

VIII. Announcements/Public Comments- None

Alicia Muñoz, Senate President, adjourned the meeting at 3:47pm.