



ACADEMIC • SENATE •

Minutes

Thursday, August 26, 2021

2:00 – 3:45 p.m.

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Present: Manuel Mancillas-Gomez, Karen Marrujo, Rachel Jacob-Almeida, Rachele Panganiban, Hanaa Alkassas, Jane Gazale, Moriah Gonzalez-Meeks, Pat Newman, Lyn Neylon-Craft, Rachel Polakoski, Sarah Saulter, Asma Yassi, Claudia Cuz-Flores, Brianna Brown, Roula Aoneh, Valerie Peterson

Absent: Tim Phillips, Brad McCombs, Robert Wojtkowski, Keenan Murray, Raad Jerjis

Other: Tacey Hosley (Proxy for Raad Jerjis), Temo Carboni, Jessica Robinson, Priscilla Ortiz, Angela Tilley, Lauren Halsted, Margaret Jones, Jodi Reed, Taneisha Hellon

Recorder: Taylor Owen

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CALL TO ORDER: Manuel Mancillas-Gomez, President called the meeting to order at 2:05pm

I. Approval of Minutes: May 27, 2021 – Senate approve minutes. M/S Lyn Neylon-Craft/Sarah Saulter. Abstentions: Lyn Neylon-Craft. **Motion Passes.**

II. Announcements

- A. Academic Senate Annual Fundraiser Update (Link): Rachel Jacob-Almeida informed the senate that the Cuyamaca College Academic Senate's annual fundraiser has come to an end. We were able to raise \$655 of our \$1,400 goal. Congratulations to the opportunity drawing winners Asma Yassi, Karla Gutiérrez, and Alicia Munoz for participating in the fundraiser.
- B. Senate and Career Center Partnership – Job Placement Services: Angela Tilley informed the senate about the partnership between Academic Senate and the Career Center to help inform students about the job placement services the Career Center offers. The Cuyamaca Career Center needs help from faculty in tracking student employment to continue the support and funding from the state and region to keep a Job Placement Case Manager on campus.
- C. Joint Parliamentary Workshop Training for Cuyamaca and Grossmont Senators: Manuel Mancillas-Gomez informed the senate of the opportunity to take a joint parliamentary training workshop to learn about rules of order and procedures. Currently, the Academic Senate does not have a parliamentarian, so by attending this training, an attendee of the Academic Senate could become the new parliamentarian.
- D. Other Senator Announcements: Manuel Mancillas-Gomez informed the senate that sabbatical orientations are next month. Part-time faculty who have six consecutive years of experience are now eligible to submit applications for sabbatical.

III. Information (First readings and updates for future action) –

- A. SSEC Revised Charge and Composition: Moriah Gonzalez-Meeks and Priscilla Ortiz informed the senate of the additional changes made to the SSEC charge and composition. The change was made to increase the student participation by allowing any student to participate in committees. Students will be compensated \$18/hr for their time and energy to participate on various committees to provide student input. This item is for information only as it was voted on at previous Academic Senate meeting.

- B. Peralta Equity Rubric: Brianna Brown informed the senate of the Online Equity Rubric from Peralta that is being brought to the senate for endorsement. The rubric was made as a guide to improve the quality of online courses. The rubric will not be used for evaluation purposes and is only for professional development purposes. Participation is optional. Will bring back for endorsement.
- C. Teaching and Learning (Professional Development) Committee Name Change: Moriah Gonzalez-Meeks informed the senate of the name change made to the Professional Development Committee. The Professional Development Committee changed its name to the Teaching and Learning Committee to keep everything aligned with the Teaching and Learning Center. The charge was updated to add more verbiage focusing on content as opposed to procedural documents and to align the charge better with our new mission, vision, and values.
- D. Equity in Employment District Task Force Update: Moriah Gonzalez-Meeks and Taneisha Hellon informed the senate of the Equity in Employment Task Force updates that are being brought to the senate for endorsement. The purpose of this task force is to create an environment that supports student success by improving diversity in hiring so that our employees reflect the rich diversity of our students. The charge needed to be revised to closely align with the purpose of the project the task force is undertaking. Progress reports will be provided to the Chancellor's Cabinet to be transparent in the work the task force is doing collectively. Will bring back for endorsement.

IV. Action – None.

V. President's Report – Manuel Mancillas-Gomez –

- A. Faculty Representatives for Governance and Screening & Hiring Committees Selection Process: Karen Marrujo informed the senate about the change in process for selecting faculty for governance and hiring committees. The process now involves using a form to apply to any service opportunities to help stay organized. The form is a multiple-choice question with all the current openings listed. A rubric is currently being developed that will be shared and used when making appointments and considerations once it has been completed.
- B. New Faculty Hiring Funds: Manuel Mancillas-Gomez informed the senate that at the Joint Academic Senate meeting, Jim Mahler spoke about one-time money that will be coming in from the new budget for the District to hire new faculty. The exact numbers are currently unknown and are currently being negotiated.
- C. Brown Act Zoom Exemption: Manuel Mancillas-Gomez informed the senate that the exemption to the Brown Act that allowed for Academic Senate and Curriculum to be held via Zoom is set to end on September 30, 2021. This means that Academic Senate and Curriculum will need to start meeting face-to-face using a hybrid hi-flex classroom. This classroom will allow attendees to attend via zoom and face-to-face. The statewide Academic Senate is still in negotiations with the new Chancellor about possibly extending the exemption.

VI. Vice President Report ([Link](#)) – Karen Marrujo informed the senate of the numerous updates taking place at Cuyamaca. Mary Graham was appointed as the LTR representative on IEC, Amaliya Blyumin was appointed as the Counseling representative on SSEC, and Johnny Barner was appointed as the EOPS representative on SSEC. There is also a long list of current openings in need of a faculty representative. Please see hyperlink for the list of open representative positions. Please let your constituency know about these opportunities to represent your area. If you have any questions, please email Karen Marrujo and cc Manuel Mancillas-Gomez.

VII. Part-Time Officer-at-Large Report – Hanaa Alkasses informed the senate that she is honored to be the effective and active voice of the part-time faculty at Cuyamaca College so they can have more equity especially in these circumstances that part-time faculty are now working with a possibility of a positive COVID-19 case in their face-to-face class. Hanaa suggested that if a student tests positive, the classroom should be closed for a few days for a deep cleanse to ensure every person in the classroom is okay and not showing any possible symptoms. Manuel Mancillas-Gomez suggested the idea of drafting a resolution to protect faculty and students.

VIII. Committee Report. – Jane Gazale informed the senate that the Curriculum Management System is underway and should hopefully start being implemented and used next year. The first Curriculum meeting is being held on September 07, 2021.

IX. Public Comments- Priscilla Ortiz informed the senate that, as a student, they are not being notified if a positive COVID-19 case came to be on the Cuyamaca College campus and she feels as though students should be notified. Many faculty agreed with Priscilla.

Closed at 3:50 pm