



# ACADEMIC • SENATE •

## Minutes

Thursday, September 22, 2022

2:00 – 3:45 p.m.

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84511353482>

**Present:** Manuel Mancillas-Gomez, Karen Marrujo, Rachel Jacob-Almeida, Rachele Panganiban, Jane Gazale, Moriah Gonzalez-Meeks, Pat Newman, Cyrus Saghafi, Brad McCombs, Lindy Brazil, Guillermo Colls, Dan Curtis, Raad Jerjis, Sarah Saulter, Asma Yassi, Amy Huie, Valerie Peterson

**Absent:** Rob Wojtkowski, Glenn Thurman, Hanaa Alkassas, Emma Laraby

**Other:** Roula Aoneh (Proxy for Hanaa Alkassas), Rita Ghazala, Dinora Martinez, Pam Wright, Wayne Branker, Kerry Kilber Rebman, Bri Brown, Barbara Gallego, Josh Franco, Tammi Marshall

**Recorder:** Taylor Owen

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**CALL TO ORDER:** Manuel Mancillas-Gomez, President called the meeting to order at 2:04pm

**I. Approval of Minutes: September 08, 2022** – Senate approve minutes. M/S Rachel Jacob-Almeida /Dan Curtis. Abstentions: Moriah Gonzalez-Meeks, Valerie Peterson, Roula Aoneh (Proxy for Hanaa Alkassas). **Motion Passes.**

### II. Announcements

A. Sabbatical Orientation Workshops: Manuel Mancillas-Gomez informed the senate that three sabbatical workshops have already been completed. The final sabbatical workshop will be held on Friday, September 23, 2022 from 12:00pm-1:00pm. Manuel also informed that they are still in need of one at-large faculty to serve in the Sabbatical Review Committee.

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

- A. SIS Upgrade and the Colleague Financial Aid Projects: Wayne Branker and Barbara Gallego informed the senate of the SIS upgrade and Colleague Financial Aid projects. The SIS upgrade includes moving off WebAdvisor and completely transferring over to Self-Service. WebAdvisor has been no longer supported since June 30, 2022. The goal is to complete the transfer by December 2022. Barbara informed that they have been involved in engagements with Ellucian in regards to Financial Aid and that they are hoping to complete the Financial Aid projects by June of 2023. Wayne stated that if you have any feedback, please email [SISUpgrade@gcccd.edu](mailto:SISUpgrade@gcccd.edu). More information can be found [here](#). This item is for informational purposes only.
- B. Questions We Should Be Asking About EdTech (Link): Rachel Jacob-Almeida informed the senate that there has been a rapid increase in EdTech that just gets accepted without the interrogation of possible risks. One example of EdTech that was accepted was the Hyflex technology. Hyflex technology was adopted without faculty input and is a major concern for faculty that it will replace face-to-face classes. Rachel stated that the pandemic appears to be the excuse for things being done without faculty input and suggested that faculty start putting their foot down and questioning these things. More will be discussed at the next meeting.
- C. California Virtual Campus/Online Education Initiative (CVC-OEI) Update: Item has been tabled for next meeting.
- D. EEO Office, site lead, site reps, P.E. administrators: Item has been tabled for next meeting.

- E. Utilization of Chat Feature on Zoom Hyflex Senate Meetings: Manuel Mancillas-Gomez informed the senate that the utilization of the chat feature during Zoom hyflex senate meetings goes against The Brown Act. The guests meeting face-to-face are unable to view the chat which makes any information put in the Zoom chat unavailable to those guests.
- F. T&LC (Teaching & Learning Committee) Job Description (Link): Moriah Gonzalez-Meeks informed the senate of the changes made to the Teaching and Learning Committee job description. She informed that they are trying to get the reassign time to be changed from 0.5 to 1.0. The responsibility to submit the professional development reports to the state has been reassigned to the Dean. Item has been reviewed and forwarded for action.

#### **IV. Action – None.**

#### **VI. President’s Report – Manuel Mancillas-Gomez –**

- A. Shared/participatory governance: Manuel Mancillas-Gomez informed the senate that the Chancellor is bringing outside IEPI assistance in to look at possible restructuring districtwide.
- B. Two years after George Floyd, how far have we advanced? Campus policing, tip-line posters, surveillance cameras: Item has been tabled for next meeting.

#### **VII. Vice President Report (Link) – Karen Marrujo informed the senate of the latest appointments following our last Academic Senate meeting. She also informed the senate of all faculty hiring committees and opportunities. Karen included a PDF of the report with the list of openings and links to apply to any of those openings in the zoom meeting chat for the senators to easily communicate the openings to their constituencies.**

#### **VIII. Part-Time Officer-at-Large Report – None.**

#### **IX. Committee Report (Link) – Jane Gazale informed the senate of the DEI workshop and how it assists with improving processes in Curriculum. Other Curriculum items were tabled for the next meeting.**

#### **X. Public Comments –**

- A. Motion was made to extend the meeting by 15 minutes. M/S Karen Marrujo/Rachel Jacob-Almeida. Nays: Rachelle Panganiban, Dan Curtis, Raad Jerjis, Cyrus Saghafi.  
**Motion passes.**

Closed at 3:50pm