

Academic Senate  
4 March 2009  
Approved Minutes

Academic Senate President Rick Hogrefe called the meeting to order at 3:02pm.

**Members Present:** Jane Beitscher, T.L. Brink, Ken Bryson, Milly Douthit, Stephanie Gomez, Jodi Hanley, Steve Hellerman, Catherine Hendrickson, Rick Hogrefe, Jim Holbrook, Denise Hoyt, JoAnn Jones, Meridyth McLaren, Sandra Moore, Bob O'Toole, Catherine Pace-Pequeño, Mark Snowwhite, Sherri Wilson

**Members Absent:** Deena Baker, Ryan Bartlett, Debra Bogh, Robert Brown, Jeff Burke, Amber Hammons, Marina Kosanova, Damaris Matthews, Mario Perez, Snezana Petrovic (on sabbatical), Frances White, Gary Williams

**Guests Present:** Judith Ashton, Gloria Harrison

**I. Administrative Report**

**A. President's Report**

Gloria Harrison thanked everyone for the cards, plants and donations to the Foundation in her father's name. The money will be going to the College Book Fund.

The Board approved a SERP for the managers. Final date for managers taking the SERP to submit their intent will be next Monday.

Accreditation update – The college was given 6 recommendations and put on probation. Each recommendation will have a lead person. All minutes, documents, grids, outcomes, etc. from each task force will be available on the college website.

The first report is mainly college recommendations. The report due in 2010 is more about district recommendations.

Construction seems to be on schedule. Concrete for the retaining wall was poured.

- B. Cidhinnia** gave an update of data access. The college is switching to a new database that should be a little more user friendly. It will allow more access because it won't be through Sungard. The district is planning to slowly phase out Sungard.

Some of the issues are issues with getting data are due to a lack of formal training on Datatel. Hopefully the accreditation recommendations will be the driving force needed to get the training. Data distribution/question time on March 17 & 18<sup>th</sup> from 3-5 in OE2. If we don't have the correct software on our computers we need to get tech support to put it on. A reminder from faculty that class codings are not always an accurate reflection of contact hours.

## II. **Approval of Minutes**

- A. February 18, 2009 – accepted by consensus with the addition of the motion for a plant for President Harrison

## III. **Treasurer's Report**

The balance stands at \$3250.78

## IV. **Other Reports**

- A. Classified Senate Report  
Classified scholarship is available. 2 \$250 grants available to a classified or their family.
- B. Student Senate Report  
The Advisor is online. Looking for people to be on Senate. March 16<sup>th</sup> application deadline for students interested in running.

## V. **Senate President's Report**

- A. What do we want to do about all of the retirements? Do we want to recognize them individually or do an event? At least 8 people who are or were faculty. Last time we had that many was 2003. What did we do then if anything? We have 3 things to pay for. 4.0's, Classified Appreciation Luncheon and Retirees.
- B. Need to address issue that last year some students didn't end up with a 4.0, even though they received the Faculty Scholarship.
- C. Need to address the issue that we are losing Deans in 3 areas. Are we going to rehire those positions? Could we restructure so that we don't have as many Deans? Chancellor indicated she would look critically at vacant positions. There are 5 Dean positions. They will either need to appoint and interim or fly the position. When we come back we will know the retirement names. At our next meeting we can decide what we want to do – write a letter, make suggestions. Do we want to send a letter now? Letting district know that we want to be informed and involved in the process. Deans need to have the correct skill set and reflect the mission and vision of the college.  
Even though reorganization isn't part of the 10+1 it is past practice to involve the AS in the process.
- D. What will we do for the faculty being laterally moved to Valley? Sandra Moore will be moving. She should be included in some type of recognition.

## VI. **Old Business**

- A. Action Item, 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Resolution S09.02 Need for Full-Time  
**Motion:** To approve for 1<sup>st</sup> reading (Snowwhite, Brink, MSC)

## **VII. New Business**

### **A. Discussion: Role of District Assembly**

At the beginning of the year there was a question about the need for reassign time for the DA president. Ad hoc committee came back and decided yes, it was necessary.

Chancellor would like more information.

Current reassign time. Rick receives .4 but .9 is available

Rick offered time for faculty to respond to questions he sent out about the role and purpose of district assembly. Responses were:

1. Informational, rubber stamp time.
2. When it began, the idea was that AS still had authority in academic matters and DS was for other items. Faculty from both campuses and admin made up committees to get work done. It was an opportunity for faculty and administration to share information.
3. It should be a two way street. Often times it as if District is fighting us trying to increase enrollment. Should be an opportunity for us to talk to district directly to deal with issues.  
Should be another pathway for us to get information.  
Should be and opportunity for bidirectional flow of information.  
Should not infringe on the rights of both senates.  
DA does not have a shared governance responsibility over academic and professional matters.  
The district facility has a bigger budget than Crafton. They should have to talk to us about their budget.  
DA doesn't seem to deal with any major issues – just the mundane and safe issues. Anyone can put items on the agenda.  
Should not be dealing with issues that deal with only one college.  
Should focus on common issues at both campuses.
4. If it were really an opportunity to discuss issues that impact the district and/or both campuses. Would be more interested if it were more of a communication opportunity. If it were actually doing something. Should be productive – more like the original model.  
The reports from district assembly aren't as consistent. You don't go on a committee because it is effective, you join a committee to make it effective. Put the things on the agenda that you think need to be discussed. Get on a bad committee to make it better. Please send the charter out.
5. Facilitator. Don't feel like we know enough about it to make suggestions. AS President should not be the DA president, because it hampers the AS president's ability to represent the senate and the faculty. Remind us that as faculty we have a voice.

## **VIII. Committee Reports**

### **A. Curriculum – moving along just fine**

### **B. Student Interests – 4 focus groups. Jim Beuerman accepted request to be commencement speaker. Creating a position paper to look at**

creating a Foundation for supporting a future athletics program.  
Looking at how to publicize current activities more.

- C. Educational Technology – met today, focus on phasing out Television courses. Will become hybrid or telecourses.
- D. Honors Steering - none
- E. Planning and Budget- program review documents were due last month. Received 6 of 13. Non instructional plans have been reviewed.
- F. BSI Task Force - none
- G. District Assembly – addressing issue of role and purpose of DA
- H. PI – POY ballots out.

**IX. CCA Report**

Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> – Pink Slip Friday – rally for teachers receiving pink slip.  
Luncheon in two weeks – March 18<sup>th</sup> in the Crafton Room  
NEA election - need nominees  
CTA breakfast and nature walk on April 11<sup>th</sup>. Contact Julie Davis for more info.

**X. Announcements**

Nominations for student recognition dinner will be out after Spring Break.  
Dinner is May 1<sup>st</sup>.  
Thanks to those who helped with Arts Day.  
The Elixir of Love, March 25-28. Opera with University of Redlands.  
Faculty Art Show – contact Mike Bedoya to submit artwork – OE1  
Students are exploring creating a G,L,B,R club.

**XI. Statements from the Public**

Girls night out at the Little Fisherman – The professors playing April 1<sup>st</sup>.

**XII. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:42pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Meridyth McLaren