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

**Members Present:** Daniel Bahner, Jane Beitscher, T.L. Brink, Bob Crise, Jodi Hanley, Steve Hellerman, Catherine Hendrickson, Matt Henes, Rick Hogrefe, Jim Holbrook, Marina Kozanova, JoAnn Jones, Lynn Lowe, Damaris Matthews, Mark McConnell, Meridyth McLaren, Bob O'Toole, Catherine Pace-Pequeno, Snezana Petrovic, Ralph Rabago, Gary Williams

**Members Absent:** Robert Boehm, Debbie Bogh, Denise Hoyt, Robert McAtee (on sabbatical), Diane Pfahler, Jim Urbanovich, Frances White, Sherri Wilson (on sabbatical)

**Guests Present:** Reuben Harrison, Ericka Paddock

A general announcement was made by the AS President that four new people have volunteered to serve on the AS.

I. Administrative Reports

None

II. Approval of Minutes from December 6, 2006.

**Motion:** To approve Minutes from December 6, 2006 with typographical corrections (MSC Bahner, Jones)

III. Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Jodi Hanley reported that the AS account balance stands at $1861.92 due to holiday party expenses and gift cards.

IV. Other Reports

A. Classified Senate Report - None

B. Student Senate Report

1. Rueben Harrison reported that many Associated Students participated in a retreat over winter break.
2. The first Inter Campus Club (ICC) meeting of the semester had been scheduled.
3. AS has created a new policy for requests of funds from senate. The new guidelines available in Student Senate office.
4. Student Senate is restructuring, currently 6 standard committees. Duties will be redistributed to a greater variety
of committees. Student Senate is growing. Beginning to train new fall student senate members/officers.

5. At the next ASB day, AS will be giving out candy packets.
6. SS is also exploring new methods to increase voter turnout on SS voting day. League of Women Voters will be assisting with election.

Question from a faculty member about candidates coming to classes to campaign. Speeches will be made the day of the election but there are no plans for candidates to come to individual classes. Also a question about having music to draw attention and the possibility of students having a topless carwash. Student senate is open to many ideas.

Congratulations offered from all Academic Senate members for the growth and hard work of the SS.

V. Senate President’s Report
A. Thank you notes
Shared thank you notes from Bev Hydorn and Nancy Keisewetter.

B. Upcoming Changes
Dean of Humanities and Social Science resigned after 6 months. The position has been posted. The college will need to convene a selection committee. There will also be a search for the VP of Instruction. The current VP, Susan Shodahl, is returning to the classroom at Valley after this semester. Hogrefe expects that is will be a large search committee. College has a new director of research and planning coming on board after February Board Meeting. The President at Valley is retiring as well.

Questions: Will VP position be filled right away? The best estimation is that selection will take place this spring with a start date of July 1, 2007. Why are there so many positions open statewide? Many administrators retiring, and there is not a big pool to select from.

C. Identification Cards
ID cards available – cash transactions not operating yet. Cards are free to faculty.

D. Spring Enrollment/Answer Centers
General review of numbers for the semester. Goal was to grow by 300 FTEs, we are currently at 299. Bahner reported on the success of answer centers. 2306 students participated and 5000 students are now enrolled. President Harrison will be hosting a celebration on Thursday, January 25 @ 3:00 in Crafton Room. Answer centers helped to lessen the lines at A&R since many questions could be addressed at answer centers. FTEs are up even though head count is not. This is evidence of the hard work that has been put into scheduling. It has allowed students to be more efficient in scheduling classes.

E. Faculty Advancement
Motion: To confer advancement upon JoAnn Jones, Robert McAtee and Bret Scaliter the rank of Professor. (MSC Matthews, Beitscher)

VI. Old Business
A. Support of Health and Wellness Center
   Only information was requested at January meeting. Trustees wanted to hear from students but it was not an opportunity for open discussion. Issue will be reintroduced to the board in March or April. Suggestion to split resolve in F06.08. Agreement by faculty that this can be done by executive committee. Some faculty concern that the board is not receiving the full information, especially information about the interconnectedness of HWC to other departments on campus.
B. Support of Child Development Center

   Motion: To approve resolution F06.07 (Bahner, Matthews MSC)
   Discussion: Is the word ‘urge’ strong enough?

VII. New Business
A. Discussion: Disciplines review list
   Suggestion to send document to the specific departments and to have more open discussion. The implications of this document are far reaching. Request for reports from affected departments at a future AS meeting, either in writing or in person. At the CA AS meeting in April, Hogrefe will announce our position as a Senate. We will revisit this document at the next AS meeting.
B. Discussion: Equivalency Policy
   Have not yet discussed the part time with Valley or heard back from the District about our suggestions for the full time hiring policy. Concern from a faculty member about inaccuracies in the policy draft, misquoted policies and laws. We need to look at Title 5 equivalency requirements. Some redundancies in wording. We need to also review full time EP. More discussion on both policies is needed.
C. Discussion: AR 3200, AR 3310, AR 6700
   AR 3200, Accreditation – need consistency in word use and spelling. If we pass this AR we are out of compliance, because our committee is not comprised of the required people.
   AR 3310, Records – deemed an Academic and Professional matter; no recommended changes
   AR 6700, Civic Center and Other Facilities Use – need to revise many of the sections. Comments will be provided to District Assembly by AS President in written form.

VIII. Committee Reports
A. Curriculum – moving forward with submitted courses
B. Educational Policy – discussed minors on campus issue, need to continue to review before recommendations are made, committee has some questions about some of the charges.

C. Scholarship – none

D. Student Interests – next meeting in February. Denial of services for Crafton Students at Valley has been resolved in writing.

E. Personnel Interests – meeting scheduled for Feb. 1st. Will begin Professor of the Year Award process and planning for classified luncheon.

F. Budget and Planning – discussion about accuracy of data, which reports would be most useful, planning documents due to Dean by February 8.

G. Title V Bridging/Title V Steering -- Bridging is meeting Thursday, focusing on bringing their mission to life

H. ETC – none

I. Professional Development – ribbon cutting of TLC Monday at 10:00 in OE2 300, all faculty will also receive the Prof. Development calendar for Spring semester.

J. Scheduling – meeting scheduled for next Tuesday

K. Honors Steering – none

L. GE Task Force – meeting scheduled for next Wednesday

IX. CCA Report
There was a retreat for the Executive board on January 14th. The contract is expiring. We will need to negotiate an entirely new contract. Points of negation include: Enhanced salary and benefits for full and part time faculty, access to health benefits for adjunct, hours and assignments and inclusion of all faculty under one term. Faculty are encouraged to provide feedback about negotiating points that are important to us.

X. Announcements
None

XII. Statements
Teri Patton, a 2004 graduate, reported on the success of a few Crafton graduates at other various large universities. He thanked faculty for their hard work and dedication to students. He also reminded faculty of the far reaching impact they have through students.

XII. Adjournment
Meeting adjourned at 4:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Meridyth McLaren, AS Secretary