

The De Anza Academic Senate

Approved Notes of the meeting of June 18th, 2012

Senators and Officers present: Ahrens, Botsford, Chenoweth, Chow, Donahue, Glapion, Guevara, Hanna, Kryliouk, Larson, Lee-Wheat, Maynard, Mitchell, E. Lee, S. Lee, Leonard, Nguyen, Quintero, Setziol, Schaffer, Singh, Suits, Swanner, Tiwana, Truong, and VonMatt

Senators and Officers Absent: Castaño, Cruz, Freeman, and Sullivan

DASB:

Classified Senate:

Administrative Liaison: Rich Schroeder

Director of Diversity, Social Justice, and Multicultural Ed.: Veronica Neal

Guests: Faith Milonas, Alan Simes, Rich Hansen, Wanda Lee, Randy Bryant, Mary Pape, Toño Ramirez, Marc Coronado, Paul Klingman, Zaki Lisha, Jim Haynes

Curriculum Co Chair: Anu Khanna

Faculty and Staff Development: Jackie Reza

[NOTE: Item numbers are reflective of agenda numbers in the order they are actually taken up at the meeting.]

The meeting was called to order at 2:31, a quorum being present.

I. Approval of Notes and Agenda: The agenda was approved as distributed. The notes of June 11th were approved as distributed.

II. Administrative and Peer Evaluation (3rd Reading): Rich Hansen, Faith Milonas, and Alan Simes of the Faculty Association were present to work with the group on a new proposal to take to negotiations with District administration representatives. Simes began by providing a preferred frame of reference - What will pass muster at the October accreditation follow up visit that we can, in good conscience, agree with? He then proceeded to explain the need for a near “start over” approach due to the fact that District negotiators declared the previous proposal to be unacceptable on the grounds that the format did not allow for evaluation. The group went carefully through a document distributed at the meeting titled Revision of Appendix J1. It contained three options: 1) In Section I,A 4 add “SLO/SAO documentation” ; 2) In Section I,B add 2. Participates in special assignments, committees, projects, research, SLO/SAO processes, and development areas as needed in the discipline/ department/district.” ; 3) Article 10.7.1 add “...the SLO/SAO process,... After considerable thoughtful discussion, a consensus emerged to favor option 2 but to include both option 2 and three in section 1B (of Appendix J1) if feasible.

III. Needs and Confirmations: Doris Spanggiord, Judy Cuff-Alvarado, and Alex Swanner were confirmed for service on the Biology Faculty Tenure Review Committee. Steve Howland and Mary Sullivan were confirmed for service on the Amy Leonard Tenure Review Committee. The Pediatric Nursing Faculty Tenure Review Committee still needs an at large member. Jason Bram was confirmed for service on the IPBT replacing Dan Mitchell. Mary Bennett will be the new Tenure Review Coordinator replacing Marcia Maiero. The DARE Task Force added two new members, Jeff Schinske (Biology) and Lori Clinchard (Humanities) to serve as representatives from divisions that do not offer basic skills courses.

President Murphy joined the group. He began once again by thanking the Senators and Officers for ongoing diligence and excellence in their work for the college. He spent the rest of his time with the group talking about an “anti Town Hall” event Thursday, June 21st. He said he used the title because whereas the normal town hall has a format of information sharing and powerpoint presentation, this meeting will have no powerpoint and will be dedicated to sharing by all of ideas on how the college as a community should respond to the current fiscal crisis.

IV. Annual Curriculum Report: Anu Khanna gave the annual report. The report consisted of two parts. The first part was a presentation of statistics on various aspects of curriculum and degree approval. The degree approval aspect was all about Transfer Model Curriculum (TMC) aligned degrees. Last year the college only had two completely approved by the end of the year. This year six more have been added to the list: Kinesiology, Business Administration, History, Administration of Justice, Sociology, and Political Science. The second part was a request to delay or suspend the implementation the information literacy requirement previously approved by the Executive Committee. Khanna made this request due primarily to the question of the feasibility of De Anza specific degree requirements which are not allowed in TMC aligned degrees as per SB1440. The officers declared that the request could be received but not formally acted upon until the Fall since no more meetings are scheduled until the Fall and the item was not an action item on the current agenda.

V. SLO Progress Report: Mary Pape and Toño Ramirez made a presentation of the extent of progress towards various SLO type completions as per the expectations of the accrediting commission. Some numbers are cause for celebration, such as 100% of courses now having SLOs recorded, while there is a significant need for progress.

Pape focused on the PLOAC (Program Level Outcome Assessment Cycle) requirement as being the farthest from being achieved with only one program

being 100% on target. Pape said she hopes to see many more courses' SLO progress and PLOs documented in TrakDat by July 15th, 2012.

VI. Appreciation and Visioning Party: The rest of the meeting was devoted to a cheery atmosphere of small group "visioning" of what people see or hope to see happening at De Anza in a few years.

At the end of the time, Chow congratulated all the faculty who were tenured this year and made a presentation of appreciation for Lee-Wheat for all of her good work during her time as Vice President of the group.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 PM