## The De Anza Academic Senate

## Approved Notes of the meeting of December 2nd, 2013

<u>Senators and Officers present:</u> Anderson-Watkins, Bryant, Centanni, Cruz, Dahlke, Donahue, Fouquette, Freeman, Glapion, Hanna, Karst, Leonard, Lewycky, Lucas, McCart, Newell, Pacheco, Schaffer, Setziol, Sullivan, Sun, and <u>Senators and Officers Absent:</u> Buchanan, Capitolo, Davis, Swanner, and VonMatt

DASB: FA Liaison:

Classified Senate: Curriculum Co Chair: Ram Subramaniam

Administrative Liaison: Coleen Lee-Wheat

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

Guests: Maristella Tapia, Jim Nguyen, Jen Myhre, Vinay Kowshik, Hse-Khai Lim,

Carol Cini, Wendy White, Ben Pacho, and Mary Pape

**Faculty and Staff Development:** 

[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 2:36, a quorum being present.

Cruz began by noting that the celebration slated for Item VII had already begun informally and encouraged those in attendance to help themselves to hot drinks and sweets provided by the officers.

- **I. Approval of Notes and Agenda:** The Agenda was approved as distributed with the reordering of taking up item VIII before item VII. The notes of the meeting of November 25<sup>th</sup> were approved as distributed with the removal of spurious language and with minor corrections.
- **II. Needs and Confirmations:** There were neither needs nor confirmations.
- III. Committee reports: Mary Pape, reporting for the SLO Committee, reminded the group about fast approaching deadlines. She began by focusing on the data collection that is part of SLO assessment and strongly suggested that each faculty member keep the data informing the narrative assessment "forever". In part, she said she was motivated to say "forever" because of the experience many faculty had of information being transferred into tracdat only to be lost, requiring faculty to start all over. The SLOAC worksheet for entering assessments can be

found on the TracDat website. It was suggested that the link to the workshop be made more readily available from the tracdat main page.

**IV. ACCJC New Accreditation Standards:** Cruz began the discussion of proposed changes in ACCJC standards item by announcing that the timing of the discussion was appropriate due to the fact that the official public comment period for proposed new language is slated to begin in January She turned the group's attention to proposed new language of section II B.4. Immediately a question arose as to why the standard appeared to make a separate, higher standard for athletes. It was said, in answer, that student athletes are held to a higher standard by the National Collegiate Athletic Association.

Sections IIB.6 and IIB.13, IVA.2, and IVB.4 were shown and explained. There were no comments from the group about these sections.

V. Materials Fees Update: At the beginning of the item and several times during discussion, the officers reminded the Senators and guests that the term "Materials Fees" is, at this point, mostly a misnomer with the issues being printing, alternatives to printing, and the establishment of appropriate budgets for printing.

Cruz showed the group a draft of the pending survey on materials fees and printing issues and reminded the group that an earlier discussion had focused on equity issues and the effects of the administration's unilateral actions. During discussion of the draft, suggestions for clarification and additional questions were made. Several students from the DASB Student Rights and Services Committee were present and spoke of unequal access to both technology in general and printing in particular. Over the course of discussion, many issues large and small emerged. Maristella Tapia from the sociology department spoke about the need to restore adequate budgets for printing. Cruz agreed with Tapia about the need for a campus wide discussion and dialogue with the top administrators of the college. It was MSCU (Sullivan/Leonard) to have the Academic Senate sponsor a conversation between faculty college wide and the college's top administrators enabling the creation of a sustainable budget for printing.

VI. 13-14 Work Plan Update: A lack of time caused the item to be reduced to Cruz distributing an updated version of the plan.

VIII. Meeting Recap: There was no meeting recap

- VII. Activity and Holiday Celebration: At this point in the meeting, the item consisted of Cruz inviting all in attendance to help themselves to more refreshments.
- **XI.** Good of the Order: There was a reminder of an Affordable Health Care Act information event to be held one hour after the ending time of the Executive Committee meeting on December  $2^{nd}$ .
- A return of the stress reducing dogs was announced by Sullivan to be scheduled for Thursday, December 5th

The meeting was adjourned at 4: 32