The De Anza Academic Senate
Approved Notes of the meeting of
June 10th, 2013

Senators and Officers present: Anderson-Watkins, Bryant, Chenoweth, Chow, Clark, Cruz, Donahue, Glapion, Guevara, Lao, Leonard, McCart, Mitchell, Mjelde, Setziol, Sullivan, Swanner, Truong, and VonMatt

Senators and Officers Absent: Freeman, Hamilton, Hanna, Kryliouk, Larson, Schaffer, Singh, and Tiwana,

DASB: FA Liaison: Laurel Torres

Classified Senate: Curriculum Co Chair: Anu Khanna

Administrative Liaison: Rowena Tomaneng

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

Guests: Brian Murphy, Tom Dolen, Lena Chang, Mallory Newell, Esteban Cariaga, Kevin Yokou, Michelle Nunez, Alvarez, and Megan Nguyen

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 2:32, a quorum being present.

I. Approval of Notes and Agenda: The agenda was approved as distributed with Chow explaining that a group of students would be coming in, probably during item II and that there may or may not be time for all the items on the agenda. The notes of the meeting of June 3rd were approved as distributed.

II. Needs and Confirmations: Mark Sherby, Michele Fritz, and Dawnis Guevara were approved for service on the CIS faculty member Tenure Review Committee. Byron Lilly, Delia Garbacea, and Janice Hector were approved for service on the Business faculty member Tenure Review Committee. Judith Clavijo, Mike Appio, and Ilan Glasman were approved for service on the Nursing faculty member Tenure Review Committee. Susan Tavernetti, Barak Goldman, and Jeff Schniske were approved for service on the Film/Television faculty member Tenure Review Committee.

The item was interrupted by the arrival of college president Brian Murphy. Murphy addressed three things, the Academic Senate’s Materials Fees Resolution, Graduation, and an American Democracy Movement meeting. Murphy said that he has carefully read and considered the resolution, acknowledged the seriousness of the problem, and realized that the situation is a complex one which will take some time to work out, including working with Letha Jeanpierre to determine which current fees can continue and which cannot. Regarding graduation, Murphy announced that former Washington Post reporter Jose Antonio Vargas would give the commencement address and that having faculty attend graduation is a memorable inspiration for students. With regard to the Democracy Movement
meeting, Murphy announced that a group of students, faculty, and administrators attended the meeting in Denver recently and that De Anza students impressed the attendees with several presentations. Murphy ended by announcing that there were 128 campuses enrolling approximately 1,200,000 students represented at the meeting.

BACK TO Item II. Needs and Confirmations: Juliana Kang-Robinson was confirmed for service on the Rocky Lewycky Tenure Review Committee, replacing Ilan Glasman. It was MSCU (Sullivan/McCart) to approve Rick Maynard, Diana Alves de Lima, and Pauline Yeckley for full terms on the Instructional Planning and Budgeting team. It was MSCU (Sullivan/Leonard) to approve Patty Burgos, Randy Claros, and Jim Haynes for full terms on the Student Services Planning and Budgeting Team. Four faculty serving at large are needed for tenure review committees.

III. OER Workshop and FA Liaison meeting update: Chow distributed a reprint of a brochure showing OER resources from this successful event and spoke briefly about it. A group of students was recognized and gave a short presentation about work they are doing in attempts to address the lack of success in online courses by establishing a sense of community (familia) and announced a workshop to be conducted June 12th.

IV. Information Literacy GE Requirement update: Anu Khanna distributed a document on the topic generated specifically for her presentation. It outlined the background of an information literacy requirement that had been approved in 2011 but not implemented. A hold on implementation was requested and granted in 2012. The reasons it was not implemented were also presented. The document brought forward a recommendation to modify the requirement to make a library orientation recommended instead of mandatory. Another recommendation presented in the document was an implementation outline complete with a timeline and an effective start of requirement date of Fall 2015. A concern was expressed on the part of counselors about confusion for students between degree paths with and without the requirement and about the possibly limited number of courses qualifying, therefore making it harder for students to satisfy the requirement. The item will return for possible action June 17th.

V: 2013 Student Success Scorecard: Mallory Newell gave a detailed presentation on the college’s student success scorecard and distributed a handout showing the percentages of successful completion, persistence, and the achievement of 30 units overall by 16 different categories of students. Official results are available on the California Community Colleges website.

VI. Values Statement Update: Newell distributed and presented the final draft of a statement which has been under development for some time and which is slated for College Council approval June 12th.

Back to item III: Chow reported on the FA/Senates Liaison meeting held Friday, June 7th. The first item addressed was a discussion of a new final exam schedule. A
discussion of the results occurred at the Liaison meeting. The result of that discussion was to launch a review of the workings of the current proposed schedule to see if it could be modified to spread exams over more of the week instead of having a bias towards the beginning of the week, with a hoped for result enabling two full hours of exam time instead of the currently proposed hour and fifty minutes.

Mark Miliron of Western Governor’s University is Chancellor Linda Thor’s choice as keynote speaker for the District Opening Day, Fall 2103. Chow expressed a concern that the choice was not a result of the collaborative process usually used to make such decisions. In this particular case, the choice of speaker is likely to be controversial due to the fact that the existence of Western Governor’s University was predicated on having neither full time faculty nor tenure for faculty and was opposed by all faculty groups in the state and did not get cooperation from any of the segments of higher education in the state. Finally, it was suggested that proposing an opening day speaker should be on the Executive Committee’s calendar and agenda early in the year so that when the topic surfaces at the District level, the group has a name or names ready to propose.

The FA has produced a response to the draft office policy reviewed by the De Anza Executive Committee. Chow will bring it and will be proposing action supporting it to the meeting of June 17th.

The FA supports the De Anza resolution on materials fees.

The issue of summer availability of the Baldwin Winery space for part time faculty was also discussed at the liaison meeting. FA will pursue the matter.

Proposed revisions to the Student Employment Policy will be dealt with by the Academic and Professional Matters committee in the Fall.

VII. Student Drop Process: The item was held over.

VIII. Revised Senate Logos and Website Review: The item was held over.

IX. Good of the Order: – Sullivan announced a return of the stress reducing dogs which were so well received when they were at De Anza recently. The event will be Thursday, June 20th from 11:30 to 1:30 in the recessed plaza (formerly known as the sunken garden).

- The Child Development department is celebrating the accomplished doctoral degree of one of its faculty members.
- Chow reminded the group of the Ice Cream Social, Wednesday, June 12th.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:32