The De Anza Academic Senate
Approved Notes of the meeting of
April 23rd, 2012


Senators and Officers Absent: Botsford, Castaño, S. Lee, Nguyen, and Suits

DASB:
Classified Senate:
Administrative Liaison: Rich Schroeder
Director of Diversity, Social Justice, and Multicultural Education:
Guests: Dolores Davison, Marc Coronado, Thomas Rey, Edmundo Norte, and three of Marc Coronado’s student mentors
Curriculum Co Chair:
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 2:35, a quorum being present.

I. Approval of Notes and Agenda: The agenda was approved as distributed. The draft notes of March 26th were approved as distributed. Chow introduced Foothill Academic Senate President Dolores Davison who was also introduced as the recently elected Area B representative to the State Academic Senate representing 32 colleges.

II. Needs and Confirmations: Dan Attencio, Dawnis Guevara, and Gary Zarecki were approved for service on the Dean of Physical Education and Athletics Search and Selection Committee. Roberta Bloom was confirmed to replace Lenore Desilets on the Danny Tran Tenure Review Committee

IV. Academic Senate Elections: Hanna (who notified the group that she is this year’s Election Committee chair) told the group that flyers will be distributed soon announcing the opening of the nomination period for the offices of Academic Senate President and Vice President. The end of that period will come with candidate statements being due Friday, May 11th. Elections are due to be held May 22nd and 23rd.
VII. Good of the Order: Hanna distributed a flyer announcing celebration of the 50 year anniversary of the nursing program. Sullivan announced a Spring Fling II, the annual distribution of condoms by the Health Services office. Sullivan also distributed flyers announcing Spring quarter Health Services events and highlighted an ongoing series of mental health workshops occurring on five of the remaining Tuesdays of the quarter at 11:30 in the El Clemente room.

III. Stanback-Stroud Diversity Award: Marc Coronado was present along with division deans Thomas Rey and Edmundo Norte and three student mentors from Coronado’s classes. The awarding of the Regina Stanback-Stroud Diversity Award at the meeting was a reenactment of the award ceremony recently held at the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges Spring Plenary Session. The award is one of only two statewide awards for community college faculty.

V. First Reading of FA Draft of Teaching Evaluation Form: Chow distributed proposed new language for the faculty evaluation form and displayed current language. Considerable discussion yielded a sense of the Senate that the added material did not belong on the form titled administrative and peer evaluation since it asked for a self evaluation or reflection on efforts in the area of SLOs. Having it on the same form was thought to be confusing and raising of questions about who signs off when and on what basis.

VI. Statewide Senate Spring Plenary: Chow began by pointing out that the session was a kind of joint and overlapping one with the annual Chief Instructional Officers (CIOs) conference with the CIO part attended by Christina Espinosa-Pieb and her Foothill College counterpart Kimberly Messina. Chow then focused her remarks on matters dealing with the Student Success Task Force (SSTF) recommendations and subsequent legislation. She highlighted the structure of proposed statewide priority enrollment guidelines, a summer workshop on SSTF implementation, and the fact that high unit majors are proposed to be exempt from a guideline capping the unit total for priority registration at 100. Setziol focused on breakout sessions on repeatability (where it was made clear that all attempts, F, D, W, and ABC, count), Minimum Qualifications and FSA (where it was made clear that the De Anza Courses Into Disciplines and FSAs report will need to list all constituent disciplines for all courses assigned to Ethnic Studies, Women’s Studies, Humanities, and Interdisciplinary Studies), and two sessions pointing to an increasing loss of community college faculty control over curriculum.

BACK TO VII. Good of the Order: A new dean Business/CIS has been hired.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:34