

**SAN DIEGO CITY COLLEGE
ACADEMIC SENATE MEETING
March 10, 2008**

MINUTES

Present: Alexander, Ceccacci, Cordell, Davalos, Deaton, Engstrom, Feyen, Fierro, Fontana, Haro, Harris, Hayden, Kersey, Klipple, Roya, Lombardi, Lopez, McGinnis, Patto, Pitcher, Spearman, Spikes, Ward

Proxy: Crispen for Scappaticci, McGinnis for Greer, Deaton for Rangus

I. Call to Order 2:35pm

II. Approval of Minutes from February 25, 2008 Engstrom/Deaton

III. Additions/Adoption of Agenda

IV. Announcements

V. Guests/Special Committees

- a. Associated Students- The AS reported that officer and student center elections will now be online. The two previously separate elections will now be combined in hopes of drawing a larger turnout. The election will be held April 28th- May 2nd. The AS also reported that the environmental resolution will be taken to the next United Students Council meeting.
- b. Curriculum Instructional Committee- Jan Lombardi reported that the program proposal for the new Liberal Arts and Sciences degree was passed at the last CRC meeting. The proposal allows students to choose between three different GE patterns in addition to the district GE requirements. Jan Lombardi shared a proposal for expanded options for meeting the Associates Degree. Both proposals will be taken back to the Chairs Cabinet and the Senate will defer to the Chairs decision.
- c. Student Services Council- B. Peters gave a summary of the changes to attendance accounting. B. Peters also reported on changes to the Service Animals Policy.
- d. Environmental Sustainability Committee- K. Klipple distributed copies of the policy, function and implementation guidelines of campus/site Environmental Sustainability Committees. The procedures will be sent to District Governance Council. K. Klipple also reported that she will be taking an inventory of greenhouse gas emissions at City.
- e. Basic Skills- C. Baron reported that the Basic Skills Committee is currently working on self assessment. Once the assessment is complete, the results of the findings will be brought back to the Senate. A new position to coordinate Basic Skills programs will begin in the summer. The position will include 50% reassigned time.

VI. New Business

- a. Minimum Qualifications Equivalency District Procedures- Tabled
- b. Research Symposium Co-Sponsorship- The Senate has voted to co-sponsor the Research Symposium. The symposium will be held May 7, 2008 from 9:00am- 2:00pm in Gorton Quad. Students will be able to present their

original projects and research through posters, oral presentations, spoken word, artistic displays and performances. City College is one of sixty four schools nationally to be selected to participate in the Council on Undergraduate Research program. It is designed to assist campuses in making institutional-level changes to strengthen and expand undergraduate research opportunities.

VII. Old Business

- a. Facility Health and Safety Concerns- Dave Umstot addressed the two main issues concerning the modular classrooms. The district architects took sound levels in the units while the air conditioning was running and compared them to levels in the C Building. They found that the levels in the rooms were similar. The larger cooling units are the loudest. One suggestion is to relocate the podiums to the other side of the room away from the cooling units. In general, faculty opposed this idea. A possible mechanical solution to this problem is to buy low noise units. Maintenance will be meeting with vendors to get estimates. The second issue recording fumes from the carpets and paint was also discussed. Dave assured the Senate that the only painting done in “Modville” was on the exterior. The carpet is also LEED Silver certified and no adhesives are used during installation. Professors are encouraged to leave the doors open in between classes to ventilate the area. A third issue discussed was security in and around the R building. The lighting outside of the R building will also be looked at to see if it can be improved. A report will be brought back in early April. College police will be asked to make “a couple rounds a week” by the R building at night to deter loitering by non-students.

VIII. Officer Reports:

X. Standing Committees

XI. Other

XII. Adjourn Cordell/Deaton 4:00pm