

**SAN DIEGO CITY COLLEGE
ACADEMIC SENATE MEETING
November 5, 2007**

MINUTES

Present: Alexander, Brady, Davalos, Deaton, Feyen, Fierro, Fontana, Greer, Harris, Hasegawa, Kersey, King, Klipple, Lahijani, Leon, Lombardi, Lopez, Martinez, McGinnis, Patto, Pelletier, Pitcher, Salgado, Spikes, Steinman, Ward

I. Call to Order 2:30pm

II. Approval of Minutes from October 8, 2007 Singer/Leon

III. Additions/Adoption of Agenda

IV. Announcements

- a. Book Sale- Due to the interruption in the semester caused by the fires, the book sale has been rescheduled for November 28th.
- b. Cosmetology- The cosmetology department will be providing free haircuts for the victims of the San Diego fires. The cuts will be offered from 10-2pm November 6th.
- c. Fitness Center- P. Greer reported on the upcoming 1st annual fitness awareness week. During the week people will be able to get their blood pressure and body fat checked. There will also be a 3 mile walk fundraiser. Emails with more information will be sent out this week. For more information contact Paul Greer.

V. Guests/Special Committees

- a. AS- The AS is developing a new committee: City Committee. Their first task will be to review issues and suggestions regarding the cafeteria. The committee will gather student opinions on this issue through a survey. The final draft of the survey will be brought to the next Senate meeting. The AS will also be participating in Martin Luther King Day festivities by creating a float.
- b. CIC- No Report
- c. SSC- No Report
- d. Committee Reports
 - i. World Cultures- K. Lim reported on two upcoming events hosted by the World Culture Department. A lecture by Professor David Lake focusing on the Iraq war and American foreign policy will be held Tuesday November 6th from 11:15am-12:35pm in the Saville Theatre. World Cultures will also be celebrating Red Earth Appreciation day on November 8th in Gorton Quad. Everyone is invited to come celebrate the culture of the Native American and Indigenous people through traditional food, regalia, songs, dances and art.
 - ii. Perkins Committee- J. Hildebrand presented on the functions of this committee. The Perkins Committee grants funds to vocational programs. Grant applications are made during the fall semester and are usually issued the following year.
 - iii. Environmental Sustainability Committee- K. Klipple followed up on the issue regarding the lack of wastebaskets in faculty offices. According to facilities, wastebaskets should be returned soon. If you would like to

expedite the process, you can call facilities and request one. The goal is to provide a wastebasket or garbage can next to each blue recycle container. Klipple also reported that Environmental Awareness Week will be held the last week in November. There will be live student competitions and art exhibits.

VI New Business

- a. Adopt a Family- Families have been selected for the adopt a family program. If your department wants to help support a family, they can donate cash, items, or gift cards. Donations can be given to Sylvia Leon or Cathi Lopez.
- b. Philosophy and Mission Statement- S. Deaton updated the senate on a few changes to the Master Plan mission statement. The changes were minor and were only made to clarify the language.
- c. Plenary- J. Lombardi reported on the key issues discussed at the Statewide Academic Senate Plenary. There were forty plus resolutions throughout the weekend. A spirited discussion took place concerning language in a specific resolution that implied the development of standardized statewide tests in English, math and ESL. After a counter resolution was proposed a compromise was reached. A pilot program to come up with a joint assessment will be implemented in English 101, 205 and 251. However, the language in the resolution passed makes it clear that curriculum should be locally controlled by each campus's faculty.

VII. Old Business

- a. Combined Schedule of Classes- The creation of a Combined Schedule of Classes is still in the process. The goal from the district's perspective is to increase visibility and enrollment. A concern regarding enrollment management was raised. It was explained that City's policy is a little different than other campuses where a specific number of students must be enrolled in order to avoid cancellation. At City the administration has promised to work with Chairs and make class cancellations based more on student need than actual enrollment numbers. Classes can still be cancelled up to two weeks before the first meeting. This rule is general and not absolute.
- b. About Prop. 92- Faculty are encouraged to discuss and promote Proposition 92 with students and faculty. An information flyer was passed out that will assist faculty in their discussions.

VIII Officer Reports

IX. Facilities Update- A concern regarding the length of time taken to fix broken down elevators was raised. This problem causes difficulty for students and faculty with disabilities. If you are interested in being involved, contact Kathy McGinnis.

X. Standing Committees

- a. Child Development- C. Lopez reported that there has been a lack of communication between the Child Development Department and architects for the Child Development Center. R. Alexander will follow up on that.

XI. Other

XII. Adjourn 3:40pm Greer/Hildebrand