

SAN DIEGO CITY COLLEGE
ACADEMIC SENATE MEETING
February 25, 2008

Present: Alexander, Rangus, Ceccacci, Cordell, Davalos, Deaton, Engstrom, Feyen, Fierro, Fontana, Greer, Haro, Harris, Klipple, Hayden, Lopez, Martinez, McGinnis, Patto, Pitcher, Salgado, Scappaticci, Spearman, Spikes, Ward

I. Call to Order 2:35pm

II. Approval of Minutes from Fontana/Cordell

III. Additions/Adoption of Agenda

IV. Announcements

- a. Learning Resource Center- Please remind your students that the LRC has an information desk open during library hours. Information can be requested in person, through email or by phone. Students can now have access to a librarian 24hrs a day through an online chat room. The librarian on duty will have access to the LRC's entire database. For more information refer to the LRC website. Wireless is also available on the main, 3rd and 1st floors of the library.
- b. Counseling- Students who have been dismissed from City College due to academic issues must take Personal Growth 140 along with a maximum of two courses in order to be readmitted.
- c. DSPS- The annual high school orientation will be Monday April 28th from 10-11:30am. Students, teachers, and parents are able to visit departments of interest. Reminders will be sent to faculty via email as the date nears.

V. Guests/Special Committees

- a. Associated Students- No Report
- b. Curriculum Instructional Council- CIC had a joint meeting with Student Services. The discussion included changing from the current Transfer Studies Degree to a Liberal Arts and Science Degree. The first page of the proposed degree requirements from Mesa and City were distributed for comparison. Mesa has kept the degree similar to the old Transfer Studies Degree. Students will only have to meet the district requirements in reading, written expression, and mathematics. The proposed degree for City currently requires students to complete the district requirements in all areas including Physical Education, health and multicultural history. A concern was raised that this would create competition between the two campuses. In order to refrain from creating more hurdles for students, it was suggested that another bullet be added to the general education pattern options that would not require all areas. The changes to the proposal will be brought back to the next meeting. Senators were asked to discuss this issue with their department chairs.
- c. Environmental Sustainability Committee- K. Klipple reported that the Department of Environmental Services made a visit to City to examine the campus's ability to

support a compost system. The department gave City positive feedback regarding its recycling efforts. City has now been nominated for a recycling award. Top winners go before City Council to receive their award. The Big Earth Fair will be Thursday April 24th. 50 vendors and organizations will be on campus. If you are interested in developing a booth for your department, contact Karon.

VI. New Business

- a. Minimum Qualifications for Hiring Faculty- Tabled

VII. Old Business

- a. Self-Study/Accreditation- Volunteers are needed to serve on the different standards. If you are interested or have questions, contact R. Alexander.
- b. LEED Resolution- The LEED resolution passed unanimously. Engstrom/Fontana.

VIII. Officer Reports

IX. Facilities Update

- a. K. McGinnis reported that instruction cards for the thermostats in the TM classrooms should be posted. The Senate also discussed the desire for new air conditioners in the TM classrooms. The current systems are noisy and obstruct instruction. Another concern was the smell of fumes in the TM classrooms. It was suggested that the issue be taken to the next Union meeting on March 6th. Moreover, concerns have been raised regarding the lack of security in the Down Under classrooms. The Police representative stated that due to staffing constraints it is impossible for them to have a patrol unit in that area. However, students or faculty can request a police escort to their cars. R. Alexander will meet with the President and email Constance Carroll regarding these issues.

X. Standing Committees

XI. Other

XII. Adjourn 3:50pm Ward/Klipple