

# ALLAN HANCOCK COLLEGE

## Academic Senate

Minutes for Tuesday, Oct. 20, 2015  
Location and Time: Boardroom (B100), 4:00 - 5:30 p.m.

### 1. Meeting Called to Order at 4:01 p.m.

**AS PRESIDENT:** Allegre, M.

**VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT:** Alvarez, H.; Bierly, G.; Elliot, H.; Ramirez Gelpi, S.; Teniente, Y.; Diaz, C.; Bryant, B.; Caddell, A.; Roepke, T.; Estrada, P.; Ward, N.J.; Lucas, A.; Stevens, C.; Kopecky, S.; Reardon, S.; Nelson, M.; McGuire, P.; Auten, D.; Tobin, V.; Seidenberg, R.; Yavari, M.; McNeil, D.; Morris, J.; Baker, R.; Blanchard, D.

**GUESTS:**

Patrick, F.; Read, J.; Perry, M.; Ornelas, N.; Teniente, Y.; Dal Porto, J.; Frazier, Y.; Meddings, N.; Humphreys, D.

### 2. Public Comment

Jenny Morris – Encouraged faculty to talk about the issue of violence on campus, engage in a collegial dialogue, involve the community at large, and come up with strategies to remedy the current situation and be a catalyst for change.

Rich Baker – Followed on Jenny Morris' commentary, encouraging faculty to do something about the growing issue of violence on campuses across the state and nation.

Diane Auten – Emailed Dr. Walthers to see whether there was an interest in further training/PD on the issue of violence on campuses, including the development of a taskforce group on this issue.

### 3. Demonstration of Canvas LMS (Patrick/Read)

F. Patrick and J. Read did a brief presentation on Canvas, the platform chosen by the Online Education Initiative (OEI). J. Read currently uses Canvas for a course at a different college campus. F. Patrick briefly explained the role/function and the mission of the OEI and the rationale behind choosing Canvas. J. Read did a brief demonstration on how Canvas looks/feels using one of his Canvas courses from Wescott College. He explained how he ended up teaching a Canvas course at a different college, and explained that it was easy to set up this course in about 24 hrs. He showed how easy it was to add tools/links/plugins. Senators asked F. Patrick questions about process with regard to choosing Canvas, including questions as to who gets the FTES, who could teach via OEI, and what courses could be taught through the OEI. M. Allegre asked about the timeline for potential adoption of Canvas at AHC. F. Patrick explained that a decision by December would be needed. N. Meddings explained the need to decide earlier than

December given the queue of colleges waiting to migrate to Canvas. N.J. Ward stated that moving to Canvas would be a substantial savings to the college. N. Meddings clarified that the version shown for the Wescott College courses is not the version the state contracted for, which is a bare-bones platform. D. Auten expressed that the money being saved by going to Canvas could be invested into specific extra services. M. Allegre asked the body to take this issue to their departments for discussion for action at the next senate meeting.

#### **4. President's Remarks (Allegre)**

The Karissa Bennet Scholarship – A scholarship fund has been established in honor of Karissa Bennet. The Faculty Association has made a contribution to the fund, and M. Allegre has made a call to the body to donate any amount (if donating via check, make check to the Foundation) that M. Allegre can submit on behalf of the Academic Senate.

There is an activity proposed for the Thursday before All-Staff Day to review sections of the accreditation self-report (have a morning session and an afternoon session). The ACCJC continues to make changes to their guidelines and manuals.

AHC is hiring two interim deans. Interviews are being scheduled.

Request to change meeting to 3:00 p.m. A survey could be sent to senators to get a sense about possibly changing time to at least be done by 5:00 p.m. instead of 5:30 p.m. An earlier start in the spring 2016 isn't possible given spring schedules have been set already. Starting Fall 2016, senate could possibly end earlier than 5:30 p.m.

### **ACTION ITEMS**

#### **5. Approval of Minutes (Allegre)**

Motion to approve minutes from Sept. 15 meeting (Ward/Yavari)

**DISCUSSION:** None

**YES:** Alvarez, H.; Bierly, G.; Elliot, H.; Ramirez Gelpi, S.; Teniente, Y.; Diaz, C.; Bryant, B.; Caddell, A.; Roepke, T.; Estrada, P.; Ward, N.J.; Lucas, A.; Stevens, C.; Kopecky, S.; Reardon, S.; Nelson, M.; McGuire, P.; Tobin, V.; Seidenberg, R.; Yavari, M.; McNeil, D.; Morris, J.; Baker, R.; Blanchard, D.

**NO:** None

**ABSTAIN:** D. Auten

#### **6. Calendar Committee Proposal (Perry)**

Motion to approve revision to 2016-2017 calendar (Reardon/Lucas)

**DISCUSSION:** There were a few questions asked with regard to the calendar revisions. N. Ornelas was present to clarify some of the issues presented and answer some questions.

**YES:** Bierly, G.; Elliot, H.; Ramirez Gelpi, S.; Teniente, Y.; Diaz, C.; Bryant, B.; Caddell, A.; Roepke, T.; Estrada, P.; Ward, N.J.; Lucas, A.; Stevens, C.; Reardon, S.; Nelson, M.; McGuire, P.; Tobin, V.;

Seidenberg, R.; Yavari, M.; McNeil, D.; Morris, J.; Baker, R.; Blanchard, D.; Auten, D.

**NO:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

### **7. Concurrent Enrollment Plan (Allegre)**

Motion to table approval of draft plan (Tobin/Auten)

**DISCUSSION:** There was a question about how binding it is to not offer concurrent enrollment classes, especially with regards classes with a lab component in the biological sciences area. There were concerns about assessment and evaluation of the HS instructors since this happens at the HE site. There was the suggestion that the departments with concerns offer language to be added to the plan. Another recommendation was to develop a form whereby all FT faculty in an area could approve or disapprove the offering of concurrent enrollment courses for their area. Due to the nature of the concerns and the recommendations brought forward, a motion was made to table action for this item until a future senate agenda.

**YES:** Bierly, G.; Elliot, H.; Ramirez Gelpi, S.; Teniente, Y.; Diaz, C.; Bryant, B.; Caddell, A.; Roepke, T.; Estrada, P.; Ward, N.J.; Lucas, A.; Stevens, C.; Reardon, S.; Nelson, M.; Yavari, M.; McNeil, D.; Morris, J.; Baker, R.; Blanchard, D.; Auten, D.; Tobin, V.; Seidenberg, R.

**NO:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

### **8. Student Services Program Review (Ramirez Gelpi/Tuan)**

Motion to approve proposed revisions to the Student Services Program Review (Bierly/Estrada)

**DISCUSSION:** None

**YES:** Bierly, G.; Elliot, H.; Ramirez Gelpi, S.; Teniente, Y.; Diaz, C.; Bryant, B.; Caddell, A.; Roepke, T.; Estrada, P.; Ward, N.J.; Lucas, A.; Stevens, C.; Reardon, S.; Nelson, M.; McGuire, P.; Tobin, V.; Seidenberg, R.; Yavari, M.; McNeil, D.; Morris, J.; Baker, R.; Blanchard, D.; Auten, D.

**NO:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

## **INFORMATION ITEMS**

### **9. Equity Plan Update (Ornelas/Teniente)**

Y. Teniente and N. Ornelas encouraged all senators to participate in the student equity focus groups. The purpose of these focus groups is to look at the various transfer success indicators (Access, course completion, ESL and basic skills completion, degree and certificate completion, and transfer). She distributed a handout/flyer on this activity. There was a request to add this as a PD activity.

### **10. Emeritus Faculty (ASE)**

Not covered due to time.

**11. Council and Committee Reports**

No reports

**12. Meeting adjourned at 5:37 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted by S. Ramirez Gelpi

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