

ALLAN HANCOCK COLLEGE

Academic Senate

Minutes for Tuesday, April 3, 2018
Boardroom (B100), 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

AS PRESIDENT: M. Allegre

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: Maria Arvizu-Rodriguez, G. Bierly, R. Bryant, A. Caddell, Cynthia Diaz, B. Friedrich, C. Hite, M. Hull, D. Madrid, B. Murtha, A. Restrepo, T. Roepke, V. Tobin, M. Yavari

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE: Ramon D. Morales Rios,

GUESTS: Bob Curry, Dave DeGroot, Tom Lamica, Richard Mahon, Larry Manalo, Casey McCullough, Paul Murphy, Melinda Nish, Sofia Ramirez-Gelpi, Yesenia Beas (student), Czharine Asuncion (student)

1. Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 4:00 p.m.

2. Public Comment: Paul Murphy encouraged all faculty to participate in the Employee Climate and Engagement Survey. The survey is motivated by three primary reasons: 1) the campus is initiating a LEAP mentoring program and wants data to provide a baseline comparison in order to assess the program's impact, 2) to provide faculty and staff an opportunity to let their voices be heard and share what is going well/poorly, 3) to identify areas needing improvement and attention. Murphy explained and elaborated upon the questions in the survey. He assured faculty that the results of the survey are anonymous and confidential, noting that an offsite hosting firm (Korn Ferry Hay Group) was hired for precisely that purpose. Results will be available to "anybody who is interested." Depending upon the results of the survey, follow-up measures may include the use of focus groups to probe further into key issues discovered, and the production of action plans to address priorities identified and improvements needed. The Deadline to complete the survey is April 11.

Marla reminded faculty to RSVP and attend the Student Success Summit, held April 13.

3.*Approval of Minutes (Murtha)

Approval of the Feb. 20, 2018 minutes.

Motion/2nd: G. Bierly/R. Bryant

Discussion:

Yes: 14- Maria Arvizu-Rodriguez, G. Bierly, R. Bryant, A. Caddell, Cynthia Diaz, B. Friedrich, C. Hite, M. Hull, D. Madrid, B. Murtha, A. Restrepo, T. Roepke, V. Tobin, M. Yavari

No: 0

Abstain: 0

ACTION

4. DREAM Center

Students presented a video encouraging support for a DREAM center on campus. The name refers to the The Development, Relief, and Education for Alien Minors Act, the goal of which is to provide a means for undocumented immigrants who arrived in the U.S. as children to gain a pathway to permanent legal status. The video included testimony of students regarding their difficulties integrating into campus and their fears regarding the current climate surrounding immigrants. Students sought senate support to build a DREAM center which would provide a central hub for

counseling, retention services, legal assistance, general information, and help with obstacles specific to this population of roughly 600 undocumented students and/or families. Marla pointed out that College Council had already acted on the request and is putting together a task force and if the senate wanted to take a position before the college moved forward the body would have to vote to suspend the rules in order to take action tonight. A motion was drafted: "Academic Senate supports the development of a DREAM center and participation on a taskforce for establishing the center."

Discussion: Several senators requested the opportunity to take the motion back to departments for discussion and debate. This necessitated a vote on whether to suspend the rules to vote on the resolution or hold off.

An initial vote was taken as to whether or not to vote on the motion at present:

Yes-8- Maria Arvizu-Rodriguez, G. Bierly, R. Bryant, Cynthia Diaz, C. Hite, B. Murtha, A. Restrepo, V. Tobin, M. Yavari

No-5- M. Hull, B. Friedrich, T. Roepke, A. Caddell, D. Madrid

Abs-0

Pursuant to that vote, the vote on the motion was held.

Yes-9- Maria Arvizu-Rodriguez, G. Bierly, R. Bryant, Cynthia Diaz, C. Hite, B. Murtha, A. Restrepo, V. Tobin, M. Yavari

No-2-M. Hull, B. Friedrich

Abs-3-T. Roepke, A. Caddell, D. Madrid

5. BP/AP 7600 Campus Police (review and approval of new board policy)

Discussion: The Board Policy is legally required.

Board Policy: BP 7600

Motion/2nd: Bierly/Bryant

Yes: 14 - Maria Arvizu-Rodriguez, G. Bierly, R. Bryant, A. Caddell, Cynthia Diaz, B. Friedrich, C. Hite, M. Hull, D. Madrid, B. Murtha, A. Restrepo, T. Roepke, V. Tobin, M. Yavari

No: 0 -

Abstain: 0 -

Administrative Procedure AP 7600

Motion/2nd: Bierly/Bryant

Yes: 14 - Maria Arvizu-Rodriguez, G. Bierly, R. Bryant, A. Caddell, Cynthia Diaz, B. Friedrich, C. Hite, M. Hull, D. Madrid, B. Murtha, A. Restrepo, T. Roepke, V. Tobin, M. Yavari

No: 0 -

Abstain: 0 -

6. SP Grading in Noncredit Courses (approval of change in grading per ASCCC and SLC recommendations)

Discussion: Marla provided some background information: At the Senate's request, the student learning council discussed this proposal and hosted presentations. Sophia Ramirez-Gelpi explained that legislators are asking questions about how taxpayer money is being spent and demanding clear demonstrations that Noncredit courses are succeeding. Allowing Noncredit courses to assign grades of Satisfactory Progress provides them an instrument to demonstrate their success. She explained that a two year pilot study was overwhelmingly positive and that the Board of Governors supported the measure and changed the language in Title 5 to accommodate it. Practitioners/instructors also overwhelmingly support the move as do students who receive feedback on their progress and verification that they can present to employers.

It was asked if the measure would have an impact on credit courses; the answer was no. The only contrary argument to the measure is ancillary—it would require a need for some instructor training.

Motion/2nd: Yavari/Bryant

Yes: 12 -

No: 0 -

Abstain: 2 -

INFORMATION

7. President's Remarks (Allegre)

Announcements:

If departments need help with the Annual Update, contact Patrick McGuire.

College Council approved that students who act as student ambassadors receive a notation on their transcripts.

College council approved the 2020-2024 Five-Year Construction Plan District Project Order of Priority Recommendation. A minor change was made to the order of projects; however, the change is not controversial as there is not funding for any of the projects.

All faculty are encouraged to participate in the survey of VPAA candidates who recently participated in a campus-wide forum.

Individuals willing to serve on a search committee to fill Michael Black's position are wanted.

Discussions are ongoing regarding AB705 ("This bill would require a community college district or college to maximize the probability that the student will enter and complete transfer-level coursework in English and mathematics within a one-year timeframe, and use, in the placement of students into English and mathematics courses in order to achieve this goal, one or more of the following: high school coursework, high school grades, and high school grade point average."—AB705)

Faculty hiring prioritization has been updated to reflect 5 additional positions added to the list after departments completed the necessary requirements (annual update current, 6-year program review current). The list reflects new positions (not retirement replacements). Currently funding exists only for the counselor whose focus will be the Promise.

8. Resolutions for Spring Plenary

The Spring Plenary takes place April 12-14, and resolutions to be discussed and voted on are posted.

The list is incomplete as Resolutions are proposed, framed, and voted on throughout the session.

Updates are available on the ASCCC website (ASCCC.org)

10. AP 2345 Public Participation at Board Meetings

This AP provides non-English speakers additional speaking time at board meetings to allow for translation. It is not controversial. It is not part of 10+1. Senators should share it with departments. To be voted on next time.

11. AP 5011 Admission and Concurrent Enrollment...

The AP has been rewritten to resolve confusion over definitions and qualifications for students enrolling in College Now and Concurrent Enrollment. Action item next time.

9. Grants Update (Bowman)

Leona Bowman updated the senate on recent developments in the Grants office, including Grants awarded, CalGrants submitted, and Grants in Process. Recent grants awarded include \$43686 for the Veterans Resource Center and \$42099 for the Certified Nursing Program. Major grants have been submitted for various purposes including increasing the participation and advancement of women, particularly Latinas in engineering and related STEM careers ; providing scholarships to academically talented but financially challenged students who are pursuing engineering and computer science degrees. She encouraged faculty members to "champion" grants in fields of their interest, noting that NEH provides grants to HSI schools for the purpose of strengthening the teaching and study of the humanities in subjects such as history, philosophy, literature, religion and the interpretation of the arts.

12. Guided Pathways Work Plan

The work plan is finished and was submitted on the due date. It focuses on the beginning of the guided pathways process, including exploration and investigation. It will serve as a tool which is amenable to amendments. Next year a new plan will be required.

The workgroup seeks people to join the effort. Contact Dave DeGroot or Marla Allegre.

Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by R.Murtha, AS Secretary

*documents on Senate group site

**links provided on group site and/or in email