



San Diego Mesa College
Academic Senate
March 3, 2014: H117/H118 (2:15PM-4:00PM)
Meeting Minutes

PRESENT:

Becca Arnold, Victoria Chavez, Aulani Chun, Jennifer Cost, John Crocitti, Chris Dawes, Donna Duchow, Michael Fitzgerald, Kimberly Hart, Martina Hesser, Erika Higginbotham, Madeleine Hinkes, Bill Hoefer, Laleh Howard, Inna Kanevsky, Terry Kohlenberg, Ken Kuniyuki, Danielle Lauria, Guillermo Marrujo, Thekima Mayasa, Joe "Mac" McKenzie, Jonathan McLeod, Phyllis Meckstroth, Devin Milner, Dina Miyoshi, Val Ontell, Michelle "Toni" Parsons, Francisca Rascon, Jim Romeo, Ron Ryno, Marilynn Schenk, Steven Siegel, Leslie Styles, Chris Sullivan, Judy Sundayo and Farshid Zand

ABSENT:

Mark Abajian, Anar Brahmabhatt, Kris Clark (Excused), Leslie Cloud (Excused), Katie Holton (Excused), Angela Liewen, Lupe Gonzalez (Excused), Leticia Lopez, Susheela Narayanan, Mayra Preciado, Robert Sanchez (Excused), Walter "Duane" Wesley and Lois Wittner

I. CALL TO ORDER and WELCOME by Academic Senate President Terry Kohlenberg @ 2:21PM who asked for reports of good things that are happening on campus.

A. Guillermo Marrujo reported the waiting time for students to see a Counselor is much shorter now.

1. Three new Contract Counselors were hired.

B. Chris Sullivan reported our students are engaging in critical thinking.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion to approve without changes:

M/S

McLeod/Ontell

UNANIMOUS

III. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS:

A. Associated Student Government (ASG) Representative: Secretary Mayra Preciado (No Report)

B. Classified Senate Representative: (President Angela Liewen) No Report

IV. GUESTS: Hank Beaver (Instructional Technology Specialist) & Kevin Branson (Campus IT Asset Coordinator)

A. Massive Open Online Courses (MOOC) Task Force Report:

1. The Mesa College task force members were Hank Beaver, Kevin Branson, Jonathan McLeod and Dina Miyoshi.
2. Hank reported he has been teaching online courses for about 10 years and he was concerned about his ability to be open-minded prior to joining the MOOC Task Force.
3. Kevin Branson is completing his doctoral dissertation on MOOCs.
4. Hank reported the "Godfather of MOOCs", Sebastian Thrun, is reconsidering the movement.
5. Do MOOCs meet Department of Education, Accreditation Commission for Community and Junior Colleges and Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) criteria and requirements?
6. San Diego Community College District (SDCCD) students who have taken MOOCs reported the following:
 - a. They are less motivated.
 - b. Students feel like they are teaching themselves
 - c. Does not meet the needs of Basic Skills students who need the most contact with their instructors.
 - d. Does not meet the needs of our diverse student population.
7. Academic Affairs Committee Co-Chair Inna Kanevsky reported she took a MOOC and the course was not connected to an institution and a transcript was not available.
8. Hank reported that a study of 1 million MOOC students found the completion rate for MOOC to be 4%.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: February 10, 2014

Motion to approve with a change from Chris Sullivan:

M/S

Cost/McLeod

UNANIMOUS

VI. ROUND TABLE TOPICS: None**VII. OLD BUSINESS:****A. Draft Curriculum and Instructional Council (CIC) Documents:**

1. Document #3 (Graduation Requirements):
 - a. Curriculum Review Committee (CRC) Faculty Co-Chair Toni Parsons reported the draft document cleans up the language.
 - The latest draft includes changes from the Counselors and Evaluators.
 - b. Toni also reported that the General Education Academy focuses on the purpose, breath and importance of general education courses.
 - c. Chris Dawes said general education courses need to be part of the Educational Master Plan.
 - Immediate Past President Madeleine Hinkes reported general education is part of our Educational Master Plan and students are coming to Mesa College for our broad course offerings.
 - d. Chris Dawes asked what will happen if students take more than 60 units.
 - Toni said SB1440 may mean loss of funding if our students take more than 60 units to graduate.
2. Document #4 (Prerequisites):
 - a. Only advisories were previously in place.
 - b. Placing a prerequisite for a course will cause enrollment reduction for the course until students can complete the prerequisite.
 - c. The college is required to offer sufficient sections of the prerequisite course necessary for students to complete the prerequisite requirement.
 - d. Data shows that completing the required prerequisite course increases student success in the course.
3. CRC Faculty Co-Chair Toni Parsons will send the latest versions of both documents to Faculty for review.

B. Rescind Proposal to Expand Faculty representation on the Faculty Hiring Prioritization Committee (FHPC):

1. The proposal is rescinded since it is not possible to expand committee membership for Academic Year 2013-2014 prior to the deadline for the FHPC to complete its work.
2. The FHPC will continue to review the issue.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:**A. Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs):**

Motion from the San Diego Mesa College Academic Senate that the San Diego Community College District (SDCCD) does not award credit for non-credited MOOC courses:

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Kanevsky/Ontell

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IX. SENATE EXECUTIVE REPORTS:

A. Vice President: (Donna Duchow) No Report

B. Secretary: (Becca Arnold) No Report

C. Treasurer: (Ken Kuniyuki) No Report

D. Senator at Large #1: (Vacant)

E. Senator at Large #2: (Katie Holton) No Report

F. President: (Terry Kohlenberg)

1. Email – bcc Addressee Line:
 - a. Chancellor Carroll is asking everyone to be professional in our use of Outlook.
2. Senate Elections: The nomination period was extended one working day due to the need for nominees.
3. Academic Academy on General Education Courses:
 - a. Terry will ask the Planning and Institutional (PIE) Committee if Mesa College has a philosophy regarding general education courses.
 - Toni will locate the San Diego Community College District (SDCCD) policy that was adopted by Mesa, City, and Miramar Colleges.
4. Associate Degrees for Transfer (ADT):
 - a. Guillermo Marrujo and Judy Sundayo reported ADT GPA requirements for the California State University (CSU) System is campus specific.
 - b. Guillermo also reported that some students are being allowed to move from an ADT to a general degree.

5. **Accreditation Brown Bag Discussions:**
 - a. Facilitated by Accreditation Co-Chairs Dean Danene Brown and Chris Sullivan and Vice President of Student Services (VPSS)/Accreditation Liaison Officer Julianna Barnes on the following dates:
 - Thursday, March 20, 2014 (3:00PM - 4:30PM) I400 Room 404 – Student Services Bldg.
 - Monday, March 24, 2014 (3:00PM - 4:30PM) MS-311 – Math & Sciences Bldg.
 - b. It is an opportunity for us to let the Accrediting Commission for Junior and Community College (ACCJC) know what we are doing on behalf of our students.
6. President Luster will be our guest at the March 17th Academic Senate meeting to discuss:
 - a. Accreditation
 - b. Baccalaureate Degrees
 - c. MOOCs

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. Academic Affairs Committee: (Co-Chair Inna Kanevsky)

1. Inna reported former Mesa College Learning Communities (LCOM) Coordinators Jan Ellis, Leroy Johnson and Tracy Walker spoke to the committee about their experiences with Learning Communities at the February 24th meeting.
 - a. Jan, Leroy, and Tracy reported on why Learning Communities fizzled at Mesa College and provided recommendations to resurrect LCOMs.
2. The committee will work on the Learning Communities (LCOM) document at the March 10th meeting.

B. Professional Development Committee (PDC): (Chair Lupe Gonzalez) No Report

C. Committee of Chairs (COC): (Chair of Chairs Jennifer Cost)

1. The Chairs and deans held a joint meeting on February 26th.
 - a. The Enrollment Management Work Group will meet with Pam Deegan on six occasions from March to May 2014.
 - John Crocitti said the work group members need to be approved by the Academic Senate because it will make decisions that affect everyone at Mesa College.
 - * Chair of Chairs Jennifer Cost reported the working group has not been designated as an official campus committee.
2. The Academic Affairs Committee will research how Enrollment Management has worked at other institutions.

D. Curriculum Review Committee (CRC): (Co-Chair Toni Parsons)

1. 2014-2015 Catalog:
 - a. The District catalog deadline is next week.
2. We need to receive approval for the Associate Degrees for Transfer (ADT) for English and Studio Art in order to be 100% in compliance by June 2014.
 - a. We need to complete the ADTs for Chemistry, Economics, Early Childhood Education, Elementary Education, Philosophy and Spanish in 2015.
 - b. None of the 112 colleges in the CA Community College System have been able to create a 60 unit ADT for Computer Science.

E. Program Review Committee (PRC): (Co-Chair Dina Miyoshi)

1. Dina reported the committee needs additional members to act as liaisons for the additional departments and programs that will become part of the program review process this year.

F. Basic Skills Committee (BSC): (Coordinator Chris Sullivan)

1. The BSC is meeting with the Continuing Education President to discuss AB 86.
2. The Mesa College English Department supports the Miramar College resolution to allow students to retake the English Assessment after one year instead of the current three year waiting period.
 - a. Academic Senate President Terry Kohlenberg is working with the City and Miramar College Academic Senates to approve the resolution by the end of Spring 2014.

XI. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- A.** Chris Dawes asked the Senators to encourage their students to protest if they lose their enrollment priorities.
- B.** The next Academic Senate meeting is scheduled for March 17, 2014 in H117/H118 @ 2:15PM.
- C.** The next Committee of Chairs meeting is scheduled for March 12, 2014 in H117/H118 @ 2:15PM.

XII. ADJOURNMENT @ 4:06PM.

Submitted by Sue Saetia

Approved by the Senate: March 17, 2014