Cañada College Academic Senate Governing Council Minutes Thursday, August 23, 2007

Council Members in Attendance: Martin Partlin, Katie Schertle, Carol Rhodes, David Clay, Monica Malamud, Jenny Castello, Denise Erickson, Lezlee Ware, Paul Roscelli

Senate Members and Guests in Attendance: Tom Mohr, Marilyn McBride, Bob Lee, Elizabeth Terzakis, Anthony Perez, David Meckler, Anniqua Rana, Patty Dilko, Ana Miladinova, Ana Budd, Jim Petromili,

1. Call to Order: 1:35

2. Adoption of Agenda: Motion to adopt the agenda: approved.

3. Approval of Minutes: 5/10/07 meeting minutes: approved.

4. Public Comment: None.

5. New Business:

5.1 Strategic Plan: President Mohr commended Cañada College for giving strong support to our students and observed that this is what our college is best at. Additional focus should be placed on the effort to attract future students from all constituents in our community; doing this will involve, among other things, proving that our college is the best academically. President Mohr also outlined recommendations which will be presented to College Council regarding the Strategic Plan. These recommendations involved the following: a basic skills task force, website elements relating to transfer, pathways to completing transfer coursework, a college fund developer, proper scope and sequence of curriculum, a collaborative model for curriculum and tutorial support, and the Child Care Center. Questions were raised about retention statistics, including how to interpret the statistics and what makes students leave. Additional editing work on the language of the Strategic Plan document has been done and is available for review on the college website.

5.2 Concurrent Enrollment: Current kinds of concurrent enrollment in effect were discussed, and the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the District and AFT was reviewed. The MOU focuses primarily on the development of college classes taught by high school teachers for a one-year pilot program. Participation in the program will be determined by individual departments at Cañada after consultation with relevant high school departments. Some policies and procedures have to be worked out before the pilot program is initiated. There are questions and concerns among faculty members at Cañada regarding some types of concurrent enrollment.

5.3 15-Week Calendar: An informal information sheet outlining the main points and questions about the 15-week calendar was reviewed. Interest has been expressed by AFT, faculty members throughout the district, and the District ASGC in exploring the calendar. Professors Lezlee Ware, Elizabeth Terzakis, Katie Schertle, Monica Malamud, Anthony Perez, and Technology Liaison Jim Petromili volunteered to form a committee which will investigate further.

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5.4 Collection of Dues: Professor Ware will resend the dues letter and automatic payroll deduction form via email; full-time faculty members are encouraged to sign the automatic payroll deduction form and return it to Professor Ware by the August 30th deadline.

5.5 Academic Committees: It has been suggested that faculty members in all departments could create ASGC-recognized committees which would meet and discuss teaching issues. Further discussion about this idea will take place at future meetings.

5.6 Committee Appointments:

5.6.1 Needed: Science Division Representatives to College Council and to the Curriculum Committee. Anniqua Rana approved as Humanities and Social Sciences Division Representative to College Council. Katie Schertle and Salumeh Eslamieh approved as Humanities and Social Sciences Division Representatives to the Curriculum Committee. Sharon Finn approved as Business Division Representative to ASGC. Paulette Vashio and Sara Harmon volunteered as Part-Time Faculty Representatives to College Council. The Peer Review Committee for Humanities and Social Sciences is Anniqua Rana, Jenny Castello, and Alicia Aguirre.

5.6.2 Tenure Committee Acknowledgements: For Ana Budd (Theater) – Bill Morales, Lisa Palmer, Linda Haley, Katie Townsend-Merino; for Lenore Cabrera (Accounting) and Ana Miladinova (Dance) – Paul Roscelli, Ron Trugman, Nancy Wolford; for Jessica Einhorn (Anthropology) – Lezlee Ware, Lisa Palmer, Linda Haley, Katie Townsend-Merino.

5.6.3 Student Organization Acknowledgements: Paul Roscelli, Lisa Palmer, Linda Haley (Phi Theta Kappa); Lezlee Ware (Political Action Club).

5.7 The Tillery Institute: Postponed.

5.8 The Honors Program: Vice President McBride outlined the preliminary needs involved in developing an honors program (HP) at Cañada and requested feedback from the Governing Council about such a program. Responses included some strong support, questions about agreements with UCs and CSUs, the observation that an HP would attract transfer students and improve the overall perception of Cañada, concerns by parents regarding the amount of support their students would receive in such a program, and the opinion that integrating a range of levels within a classroom is academically better for all concerned than segregating students in an HP. Vice President McBride offered to draft a job description of an HP Coordinator to present to the Governing Council at a later date.

5.9 Basic Skills Task Force: The Basic Skills Initiative addresses the needs of a majority of our students. A large portion of the funding for this initiative is allotted to professional development. VPI McBride is in the process of establishing a task force and has invited interested parties to attend a meeting on Tuesday, September 4 at 1:30 a.m. in Building 9, Room 154 to learn more.

6. Committee Reports:

- 6.1 Finance: Professor Ware summarized ASGC's current financial standings.
- 6.2 Curriculum: The first meeting is next Tuesday.
- 6.3 Planning and Budget: No Report.

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6.4 College Council: The formation of a Diversity Committee was approved last spring.

6.5 AFT: It was noted that the MOU regarding concurrent enrollment violates part-timer seniority. An

MOU has been negotiated regarding part-timer office hour pay which will include summer session office hours. **6.6 FACCC:** No Report. Ever.

6.7 Professional Personnel: First meeting will be next Thursday.

7. Matters of Academic Interest: None.

8. Matters of Council Interest: The issue of adequate funding for transportation and accommodations at conferences was raised. Concerns and questions regarding this issue should be directed to Professor Denise Erickson.

9. Info from the State Senate: The Fall Plenary will take place November $1^{st} - 3^{rd}$. 2008 Teaching Institute in Costa Mesa will take place February $22^{nd} - 24^{th}$. Curriculum Institute will take place in July.

10. Motion to Adjourn: 3:58 p.m.

11. Upcoming Meetings: September 13, 27, October 11, 25, November 8, December 13.

To request that an item be added to the agenda, please contact one of the governing council members no later than one week prior to the next meeting (see above fore the dates of upcoming meetings).

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