

Cañada College Academic Senate Governing Council

Minutes of September 10, 2009

Building 3, Room 104, 2:00 – 4:00 pm

ASGC members present: Martin Partlan, David Clay, David Patterson, Monica Malamud, Doug Hirzel, David Meckler, Kathy Sammut, Ana Miladinova, Sharon Finn, Denise Erickson.

Senate members: Patty Dilko

Guests: Tom Mohr, Greg Stoup, Sarah Perkins, Peter Barbatis.

1. **Call to order:** 2:10 p.m.
2. **Adoption of the Agenda**

Moved/seconded/approved unanimously.

3. **Approval of Minutes of August 27, 2009**

Moved/seconded/approved unanimously.

4. **Public Comment**

Tom Mohr commented on situation regarding Learning Disabilities testing. At the last ASGC meeting of spring semester, Shirley Streifer, part-time faculty in charge of LD testing, expressed her concern over the possibility of her position being defunded. Tom Mohr was present at that meeting and assured her that would her fears materialize, he would contact her. Over the summer, the position was unfunded, without Tom Mohr's knowledge, and Shirley Streifer was informed that there was no longer an LD testing position at Cañada College. He is now attempting to make arrangements that would provide for the service to continue at a necessary level. David Meckler voiced a concern raised at the Humanities and Social Sciences division meeting: that LD testing serve all our students, including those who are not fluent in English. VPSS Peter Barbatis commented that he is in communication with Skyline and CSM to see if one of their LD testers could be on assignment at Cañada one day per week.

Tom Mohr informed us that the district has requested that the college reduce its budget by 10% (\$1.2 million) by the end of fall '09. This will be accomplished through our existing processes and structures:

- budget reductions will be examined in a systematic manner within the Budget Committee.
- the CPC will look at the options and make a recommendation,
- the president will make the final decision based on all the input received.

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New parameter to consider: we must fulfill ACCJC expectations of what a full service college is.

5. Committee reports

5.1. Curriculum:

At the August 25 meeting the committee went over procedures of the Curriculum Committee.

5.2. Planning and Budget:

No report; last meeting was adjourned upon news of the shooting at Skyline. TBA (formerly Hours by Arrangement) will be on the next agenda.

5.3. College Planning Council, IPC, SSPC:

CPC: ASGC reviewed recommended composition of CPC. Suggestion: to specify that members at large of IPC and SSPC be faculty/staff.

IPC: Assigned to go over EMP.

5.4. AFT:

Contract was sunshined over the summer; three negotiation sessions are scheduled for this month. AFT will be negotiating academic calendar 2010-2011 soon; faculty survey will seek input on the effects of additional flex days.

5.5. Professional Personnel:

Normally we have an October 15 deadline for extended leaves, long and short term proposals. The committee is uncertain of budget situation for funding professional development.

5.6. Finance

No report.

6. Old Business

6.1. Committee Appointments:

CPC needs one faculty, preferably part-time. Two part-time faculty, Gretta Betteo (Spanish) and Kelly Speliotopoulos (Physics), expressed an interest in this position. Motion: to nominate Kelly. Seconded/approved unanimously.

6.2. UC Undergraduate Experience Survey

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At last plenary session of the State Academic Senate, Patrick Perry, Vice Chancellor of the California Community College System described requirements for collecting and reporting student data. A 2-question ethnicity categories questionnaire is federally imposed. There are concerns about the questions in this survey, as well as how the responses are counted.

While we agree that it's important to collect student data, we find the federally mandated survey problematic. We will explore the construction of a student experience survey. Greg Stoup will lead the development of such survey and solicit campus-wide input as necessary. Motion: that David Clay be the ASGC representative working on this survey with Greg Stoup. Seconded, approved unanimously.

7. New Business

7.1. Educational Master Plan

ASGC reviewed the college mission.

7.2. Program Improvement and Viability

PIV is Board adopted policy, Senate developed general guidelines. PIV process is faculty-led, under the 10+1.

ASGC members received copy of PIV documents from Skyline and CSM and heard Martin's proposed process for PIV at Cañada. ASGC members brainstormed the following PIV process for Cañada:

- recommendation by anyone, which must include a brief explanation (end of September)
- discipline faculty must produce updated program review, which must address the concerns and include plans for improvement (end of October)
- review of responses by ASGC (with respect to the process) and by IPC (EMP), send recommendation to CPC (end of November).

There will be a special one-topic meeting to approve the PIV process next week.

8. Matters of Council Interest

None.

Meeting adjourned: 4:07 p.m.

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