

Cañada College Academic Senate Governing Council

Minutes of February 25, 2010

Building 3, Room 104, 2:00 – 4:00 pm

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

Senate members: Alicia Aguirre

Guests: Tom Mohr, Sarah Perkins

1. **Call to order:** 2:11 p.m.
2. **Adoption of the Agenda**

Moved/seconded/approved unanimously.

3. **Approval of Minutes of February 11, 2010**

Moved/seconded/approved unanimously.

4. **Public Comment**

Karen asked everyone to publicize and participate in all actions that are being planned in March in support of CA public education: March 4, March 22, and the March from LA to Sacramento through the central valley March 5-April 21; go to CFT.org for more information. She distributed posters.

5. **Committee reports**

5.1. **Curriculum:**

The committee has been trying to get curriculum approved before the deadline for catalog for next year. We seem to be on target to implement Curricunet. Alicia Aguirre is interested in becoming Curriculum Committee chair for next year.

5.2. **Budget:**

Committee met last Wednesday. For update on District Budget, see 7.3. Tom Mohr: Skyline will use Redevelopment dollars to operate the Child Development Center for two years.

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5.3. College Planning Council, ICP, SSPC:

CPC: reviewed hiring of VPSS. Talked about what is needed in the area of Student Services. Talked about Strategic Planning.

IPC: Discussed Program Review process and Annual Planning process.

SSPC: Rita Sabbadini led the committee through the process to follow for program review. Certain classes will complete the Noel-Levitz survey in order to get a representative sample of our student population. Looking into hiring peer assistants for the welcome center in Building 9. Flex Thursday noon-8 pm: Learning Center will be open for students. Tom Mohr informed SSPC that the VPSS position has already been advertised and he has put together a screening committee.

5.4. AFT:

A top priority for AFT 1493 in current contract negotiations is to institute "binding arbitration" of faculty grievances. "Binding arbitration" assures that arbitrators' decisions are actually implemented by the District. Please sign online petition for Binding Arbitration and encourage other faculty to do so too.

5.5. Professional Personnel:

Professional Development will meet to review proposals.

CIETL has now an Advisory Committee, whose members are: Paul Roscelli, Lisa Palmer, Mike Stanford, Mike Noonan, Ken Fehrman, Salumeh Eslamieh, Dan Behonick, Rita Sabbadini, Mimosa Burr.

5.6. Finance

No report.

6. Old Business

6.1. Committee Appointments:

Tom Mohr proposes that the following faculty participate in the screening committee for VPSS: Romeo Garcia, Kathy Lipe, Kathy Sammut and Anniqa Rana. ASGC voted to endorse this proposal.

Equity Committee: Elizabeth Terzakis and Alicia Aguirre have expressed an interest in being members of this committee, as faculty reps. The ASGC would have liked to have both Elizabeth and Alicia on this committee, but the committee membership has already been determined. Motion: Elizabeth Terzakis for Equity Committee. Seconded, approved with two abstentions.

6.2. Min Quals Equivalence (FSA)

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ASGC considered the following question: Who can challenge faculty's FSA? This comes into play when a faculty member is assigned to teach in an area where the faculty member has FSA, but was not hired to teach. There was a lengthy discussion weighing the pros and cons of allowing faculty to teach in an FSA for which they were not hired. Some ideas: have a faculty committee re-evaluate appropriateness of Min Quals before a faculty move to a new FSA, initiate a comprehensive peer evaluation for the first year of the faculty teaching in a new FSA, provide support for re-training and updating of faculty.

ASGC thinks it is reasonable to challenge whether the process for determining FSA was followed, it is not reasonable to re-do the process.

7. New Business

7.1. Walk-out (March 4)

Dave P.: March 4 will be a day of action throughout CA. A group of students on campus, Cañada Strikes Back, has been working on organizing our students. The Council of UC Faculty Associations and the CA Faculty Association have supported the Walk-out. There was discussion about how faculty should handle the walk-out.

Resolution: the ASGC encourages our students and faculty to be civically engaged and to exercise their freedom of speech, especially during this time of discussion about funding of education. Moved, seconded, approved unanimously.

7.2. Rules and Regs Chapter 6

Tabled.

7.3. District Budget Review

Martin presented data and graphs from the District Committee on Budget and Finance, showing comparisons among the three colleges and the district, in terms of FTES, Fund 1 expenditures, cost per FTES, etc.

7.4. Flex Days

A preliminary schedule for Flex Days will be sent out very soon.

8. Matters of Council Interest

None.

Meeting adjourned: 4:09 p.m.

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