

Vice President's Report March 13, 2017 Academic Senate Meeting

IPBT

We are continuing to consider requests for Instructional Equipment. In the IPBT meeting of 3/7/17, we finished a first pass through all the program requests to determine eligibility and are asking questions of deans where the requests were not clear. For example, some requests were a lump sum for dvd/videos for instructional use. We went back to deans to ask the specific titles of the films and whether some of the dvds or videos are available in our library or streaming services. We are still getting responses from deans and I'm hopeful we can finalize the requests. The difference between the requested amounts and the funding level for Instructional Equipment as been reduced greatly so we are hopeful that we can fund most of the eligible requests.

To see the current requests we are considering, please visit our IPBT Instructional Equipment page at:

<http://www.deanza.edu/gov/IPBT/instructionalequipment.html>

I would welcome you to come visit IPBT meetings as a guest – our meetings are open to the public. We meet Tuesdays, from 4-5 pm, Administration 109.

FACCC Advocacy and Policy Conference

On Sunday, March 5th I attended along with other De Anza and Foothill faculty the Faculty Association of California Community Colleges' Advocacy and Policy Conference in Sacramento. We learned about current legislative priorities for California Community Colleges including fighting for a larger share of the state budget ahead of the May Revision by the Governor for community colleges. This would help us increase the ratio of full-time to part-time faculty, provide stability funding for colleges and allow us to keep the counselor to student ratio reasonable and keep funding important programs like EOPS, Veteran's Services, CalWorks, etc.

On Monday, March 6th we carried those messages to the legislature during our lobby day. Faculty and students from De Anza met with legislators and staff to discuss the budget as it relates to community colleges, protecting undocumented students on our campuses, providing for an appeal process for BOG waivers, increased mental health services on campuses, and more.

To find out more about the legislative priorities FACCC has identified this year please go to: <http://www.faccc.org/2017-state-and-federal-legislative-priorities/>