

The De Anza Academic Senate

Approved Notes of the meeting of May 9th, 2011

Senators and Officers present: Anderson, Beckum, Betlach, Castaño, Chow, Glapion, Guevara, Goldman, Hanna, Kryliouk Lee-Wheat, Lathers, Lee, Maynard, Mello, Nguyen, Schaffer, Setziol, Stockwell, Sullivan, Swanner, and Tao

Senators and Officers Absent: Annen, Botsford, Buchanan, Larson, Lewis, Nickel, and Yang

DASB: Classified Senate:

Administrative Liaison: Rowena Tomaneng **Guests:**

SLO coordinators/Staff Development: Jim Haynes and Mary Pape

Curriculum Co Chair:

[NOTE: Item numbers are reflective of agenda numbers in the order they are actually taken up at the meeting.]

The meeting was called to order at 2:32, a quorum being present.

I. Approval of Agenda and Notes: The agenda was approved as distributed. The draft notes of May 2nd were approved as distributed.

II. Needs and Confirmations: Goldman was formally confirmed for service on the student grievance hearing board and Swanner was confirmed for service on the student discipline hearing board. Faculty are still needed by both groups.

III. Vice President and President's Reports: Anderson began by reporting that the top administrators from both colleges met at De Anza shortly before the Academic Senate meeting and discussed scenarios for program changes. This was said to be an improvement over the recent situation involving the CTIS division at Foothill. Anderson then asked Maynard to report on candidate filings. Maynard reported that there were two candidates for Executive Secretary/Treasurer, Paul Setziol and LaQuisha Beckum and two candidates for President, Dan Mitchell and Karen Chow. Anderson announced that there was a candidate for the open part time position, Amy Leonard.

IV. SLO Resolution: A resolution was distributed and read by Jim Haynes, the SSLO Coordinator with Mary Pape available for questions. The motivation for the resolution, Haynes stated, was to meet the accreditation standard III A1c. directly stating that there is direct responsibility for student progress toward achieving stated SLOs have, as a component of faculty evaluation, effectiveness in producing these learning outcomes. The main focus of remarks was 1) the direct linkage of the specific words "faculty evaluation" with the specific term "SLOs" found in the first resolved clause, 2) a suggestion to add the word "cycle" after "SLO" to make the link broader and not to imply that there would be a specific question or questions relating to an individual faculty member's SLO results,

3) an emphasis on best practices and self evaluation, and 4) a more direct statement about what we value in the SLOAC process. Lee-Wheat remarked that this discussion process was in itself invaluable.

The item ended with Anderson stating that he, Lee-Wheat, Jim Haynes, and Mary Pape would meet and craft new language for a new first reading May 16th.

VIII. Accreditation Update: Anderson announced that the college's self study was scheduled for presentations to the constituency groups, College Council, and the Board of Trustees by June. While it is not yet ready for review, the Senators will be asked to read or to organize division based readings where colleagues would divide up the various sections to be read.

V. IPBT Priority Guidelines for Programs: Lee Wheat projected and read the three criteria that instructional programs have been asked to consider in prioritizing courses not to be cut and courses which would be first to come back as funding projections allow an easing of the worst case scenario. She then pointed out differences in the form for career and technical programs. The three criteria pertained to "student need" 1) high student demand relative to seat count, 2) primary general education course, and 3) courses required for the major and transfer. The intent of the criteria is to help faculty identify courses that may need further, deeper consideration. Anderson and Lee-Wheat reminded the group that faculty should keep in touch with their deans with regard to their appointments for May 19th and 20th. They encouraged participation.

VI. Governance Survey Implications: The item was held over.

VII. Campaign for Community Colleges: The group contemplated possible action by individuals (including themselves), action aided by Senators leading other faculty, and action resulting from working with students. Some were reported in the very short amount of time remaining. Lee-Wheat suggested a compilation of positive stories from student aimed at public awareness of why community colleges should be protected. In response to Senators who showed interest in this work, Anderson promised to bring back this work to a subsequent Executive Committee meeting this quarter.

IX. Good of the Order: - A flyer was distributed by Hanna about May being Hepatitis Awareness Month

- A DARE open house was announced for Thursday, May 12th.
- A retirement information meeting conducted by FA was announced for May 20th.
- A benefit concert for Japan Relief efforts was announced for May 12th.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30