

**ACADEMIC SENATE COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 21, 2017
APPROVED**

In accordance with the Ralph M. Brown Act and SB 751, minutes of the DVC Faculty Senate Council record the votes of all committee members as follows: Members in attendance will have their votes recorded including names of members voting in the minority or abstaining is recorded.

PRESENT: Beth McBrien (President), John Freytag (Vice President), Andy Barlow (Rep-at-large), Kris Koblik (Professional Development), Marva DeLoach (Library), Barbara Hewitt (Biology/ Health Sciences), Cheryl Carter (Counseling), Charlie Shi (Business), Theresa Flores-Lowery (Kinesiology), Heidi Gentry-Rolen (Math/Computer Science), Wayne Larson (Physical Sciences), David Vela (English), René Sporer (SRC), Jim Blair (Part-time)

ABSENT: Peter Churchill (Corresponding Secretary), Open (Social Sciences), Leo Bersamina (Applied and Fine Arts)

GUESTS: Laurie Lema, Rachel Westlake, Lisa Orta, Steve Johnson, Jenny Freidenreich, Rosa Armendariz

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA OF FEBRUARY 21, 2017 AND MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS.

It was MSC to approve the agenda of February 21, 2017. The following members all voted aye: Freytag, Barlow, DeLoach, Hewitt, Forgette, Carter, Shi, Bersamina, Sporer, Gentry-Rolen, Flores-Lowery, Larson, and Vela. No nays. No abstentions. Approved.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

3. COUNCIL COMMENT

Sporer said there is not a lot of information out about the 16-week calendar and a lot of people want to know how the blocks will be scheduled. McBrien said it is a standard agenda item at the District meetings.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

McBrien introduced a new Council member Heidi Gentry-Rolen who is the Math/Computer science representative this semester.

Arthur Scott-King said he is sitting in this meeting for Leo Bersamina.

Vela reminded Council as part of the Equity Speaker series, there will be a viewing of a short documentary and a panel discussion following about stereo-types. It the following day from 2-4 at the San Ramon campus.

Flores-Lowery gave updates on the schedules and standing of DVC athletic teams.

Barlow reminded Council the College Council forum on the Governing Boards resolution on Reaffirming support of CCCC students and Employees in defense of diversity and inclusion in the CCCC is the next day from 2-4 in the Diablo Room.

5. 2017 FACULTY LECTURER PROPOSALS

Council reviewed the two applications submitted for the Faculty Lecturer. They agreed they are both good proposals. However, they noted that one applicant is a very new instructor here and the other has been here a long time.

Council discussed the criteria for selecting a faculty lecturer but realized what we have is very vague and needs to be looked at for next time.

It was MSC to approve Bruce Koller as the 2017 Faculty Lecturer. **The following members all voted aye: Freytag, Barlow, DeLoach, Hewitt, Forgette, Carter, Shi, Bersamina, Sporer, Gentry-Rolen, Flores-Lowery, Larson, and Vela. No nays. No abstentions. Approved.**

6. DEVELOPMENTAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Lisa Orta, Jenny Freidenreich, and Rosa Armendariz distributed the charge and membership of the Developmental Education Committee with some proposed changes, and updated Council on their activities. Orta said one proposed change is the name of the committee from Foundations for College Success to the Developmental Education Committee. Their primary charge is still to allocate BSI funds.

Freidenreich said other changes in the charge reflect a shift in their work from just assessing and analyzing proposals to become a more integrated college function towards developmental education.

Orta said they have going to all the committees that deal in any way with developmental education. This will move them towards more integration in the college governance structure.

Orta reviewed a list of proposals that are in the works. One is a proposal to create a repository of information for the DRWAC initiative. They also will create a Canvas module on the Professional Development site; and also create a series of workshops to address issues regarding support to developmental learners.

Freidenreich said there is a proposal on Digital Education that will create a series of “micro-credentials” too encourage and support digital literacy. Freidenreich said there is also a proposal to fund a classroom in the Learning Center for tablet computers to help English faculty support the retention and academic success of students at the developmental education and basic skills levels, and to increase those students access to online resources.

Freidenreich said the proposed math conference has already happened, and Project Access is working with adult education.

The last proposal was for Umoja to offer three 3-week sessions of a “study hall” in Fall 2016 in the library

Armendariz said the state is looking at how they distribute BSI funds to the colleges and it will now be in two-year blocks. She said they want to build a crosswalk to find common points and/or integrate what areas related to developmental education are doing.

Barlow said we need to set desired outcomes for our college plans. But we need to think about integrated planning when we do a crosswalk to make sure we aren’t duplicating mistakes. Each plan must be evaluated for their impact on the college strategic plan so when they integrate, they are aligned. He asked how we would do that evaluation.

Orta responded that the committee has a strategic plan. She said when people make proposals, they ask them to look at how they assess for success and that they have a goal of institutional integration. Barlow said his concern is that College Council has to have an idea of what integrated planning and resource allocation looks like, so there needs to be more conversation between the areas involved and College Council. Orta said the state requires that the three groups, SSP/Student Equity/BSI, work together.

Armendiaz said they could come back in a month to further discuss their efforts.

Hewitt suggested it be made an Academic Senate committee since it addresses 10+1 items. McBrien said she will put that on the college consultation agenda.

7. 10 + 1 REVIEW

McBrien decided to table this item since one of the new members is not present at this meeting.

8. VP OF INSTRUCTION

Westlake said faculty hiring moving along well. She gave kudos to James Hoffman, Lupe Dannels and Joe Gorka for their diligent work to get faculty trained to be on hiring committees.

Westlake reminded Council about the pathways summit scheduled on March 17.

Westlake said the District projected FTES targets for the year are down at all three colleges. DVC is about 5% under, and CCC is down about 7%. She said there is work being done to increase enrollment through several strategies including connecting to the area high schools, sending juniors and seniors recruitment letters, and offering other events to high school students.

Westlake said the Scheduling committee is looking at how we support students to persist and how scheduling can keep them moving forward. Westlake said the college sets our productivity numbers but it has not been done yet for next year's schedule. She said it is going to be a little different process this time. Departments will be asked to think about things we can do that have not been done yet. She said we want to start with an FTES goal before setting FTEF and productivity goals. She said productivity is currently at 15.5, but it will be higher in the long run.

Westlake said next year we will do the Year Up program where 18 to 23 year olds come to the college for intensive training around technology work. They are then ready for a paid six month internship. She said the YEAR Up programs finds the internships. Student will take 20 units a semester to get through.

Freytag asked if when we go to the 16 week calendar if there will be any flexibility with the Carnegie units. Westlake said no, we still have to comply with the guidelines.

9. COLLEGE COUNCIL UPDATE

Freytag reported the College Council has been working on the Development Education Plan. He said the final draft is set to move on.

Freytag said the College Council has re-formed the Accreditation Advisory Committee and they will be meeting this Friday. At this time they will be looking at the mid-term report.

Freytag said College Council has formed a workgroup to write a draft for the vision statement.

Freytag said College Council has scheduled their open forums for the semester. They are on the Governing Board Resolution S-1 on February 22 from 2:00-4:00; Guided Pathways on March 17 from 9am-4pm; and the Educational Master Plan on April 19 from 2:00-4:00. All three forums will be in the Diablo Room.

Freytag said a couple weeks before; College Council had a great discussion on what we can do to make all students feel welcome. They formed an ad hoc workgroup that will be making posters with welcoming statements and pictures.

Freytag said College Council has been discussing the college Resource Allocation Process and Integrated planning and describing what we do in those processes with the goal of putting it in procedure.

Freytag said the College Council will be looking at the Academic Senate goals to begin talking about setting goals for the 17-18 academic year.

Freytag said College Council decided to extend the due date for the Technology Master Plan until after we finish the Educational Master Plan and the Strategic Plan.

Freytag said the College Council has been reviewing the CCSSE survey received from the RPEC. He said College Council had added some questions to the standard ones. He said he hopes the findings lead to big discussions about whom we think we are and who students think we are.

10. VISION STATEMENT REVIEW

Council reviewed the draft visions statements the College Council workgroup came up with and took into consideration the Senate Council's feedback.

Hewitt asked why transfer is not mentioned in any of the versions. Freytag said College Council had a discussion about that and felt things about transfer are more of a marketing statement. Lema said the Educational Master Plan will talk about transfers and then we will set more concrete goals in that area. Westlake said a vision statement is an overall statement about the college and a mission statement is what and how we do it. Then we write our plans. Steve Johnson said this statement strikes him that this is what we aspire to accomplish and he does not think it should be articulated into statements that are just part of our vision.

Sporer commented on how many people contributed to this including 300 on all college day, plus the senates and students and the Student Services committee. She thinks we did really well boiling all the input down to these proposed statements.

Westlake commented that she likes the third one uses the term “we” because that includes students.

Carter said she thinks the second one is aspirational.

Johnson said he likes the second one but it should include that name of the college.

McBrien said this will come back to Council after feedback has been collected from all the involved groups.

Lema said the process will be through governance in that each group will make a recommendation and then will go to College Council.

11. PATHWAYS UPDATE

McBrien said there is a workshop scheduled on Guided Pathways Friday, March 17 from 9-3 in the Diablo Room.

Westlake said the application for Guided Pathways has not yet been submitted but will go to the GB on Wednesday. It does not have to be approved by the board but we want to keep them informed.

Westlake said the application workgroup will be going to the divisions to educate them on the project and application process. They will give brief overview and then take questions and thoughts about what pathways might look like at DVC. Lema added that the presentations are flexible depending on what topics come up. Westlake said they are taking notes from each division and they will be compiled. Lema said the discussions so far were encouraging. She said she saw a desire to look at changes we could do. It has generated a lot of interest. Westlake said they could do a presentation at a Council meeting if they would like. Lema said feedback from all groups and constituencies will be taken into consideration.

12. FACULTY ENGAGEMENT

McBrien said the Pathways and the visions statement conversations are good examples of trying to make sure they are campus-wide conversations. McBrien said because we are a large college, there is some disconnect for many faculty. She asked Council if they would like her to come to their division or department meetings to hear what is going on in their divisions and answer questions. She said at LMC they feature one department at each meeting to inform on what they are doing. She told Council at the last Program Review meeting she had attended, during their comment period, every member talked about something good going on in their areas. She asked for suggestions and ideas about whatever people feel would help to connect faculty to the work of the college. McBrien said it would also be good if committee chairs, and department chairs or other area representatives came to Council meetings. She suggested also inviting students and student club members and advisors. McBrien said we will continue the conversation on how to engage faculty, and asked for ongoing feedback from Council

13. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

*Respectfully submitted,
Ann Langelier-Patton
Administrative Secretary*