

ACADEMIC SENATE COUNCIL MEETING

MAY 9, 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), Peter Churchill (Corresponding Secretary), Marva DeLoach (Library), Cheryl Carter (Counseling), Barbara Hewitt (Biology/ Health Sciences), Heidi Gentry-Kolen (Math/Computer Science), Charlie Shi (Business), David Vela (English), Wayne Larson (Physical Sciences), René Sporer (SRC),

ABSENT: Chalise Forgette (Professional Development), Open-(Social Sciences), Leo Bersamina (Applied and Fine Arts), Nicolette Moultrie (CTE), Theresa Flores-Lowery (Kinesiology), Jim Blair (Part-time)

GUESTS: Kris Koblik, Rachel Westlake, Laurie Lema, Beth Hauscarriague

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA OF MAY 9, 2017 AND MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS.

It was MSC to approve the agenda of May 9, 2017. The following members all voted aye: Freytag, Barlow Churchill, DeLoach, Carter, Hewitt, Gentry-Kolen, Shi, Vela, Larson, and Sporer. No nays. No abstentions. Approved.

It was MSC to approve the minutes of March 28, 2017. The following members all voted aye: The following members all voted aye: Freytag, Barlow Churchill, DeLoach, Carter, Hewitt, Gentry-Kolen, Shi, Vela, Larson, and Sporer. No nays. No abstentions. Approved.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

3. COUNCIL COMMENT

DeLoach said Maria Barno is leaving in a couple weeks to take a job at a community college in Southern California. She would like the Senate to do something for her to show our appreciation for all the work she has done at DVC as a scheduler.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Freytag said Buzz Holt's memorial is on May 28th from 1 to 4 at Benicia State Recreation Area.

McBrien told Council the election for the second part-time representative will take place as soon as we return in the fall. An announcement will go out before we leave for the semester so part-timers can be considering it over the summer.

Westlake announced we have 2200 graduates this year and we have all worked hard to have that many students graduate.

DeLoach said the retirement dinner was a wonderful occasion and she thanked everyone who put it together.

5. APPOINTMENTS

District President's hiring committee

Beth McBrien
John Freytag
Jennifer Tejada

Scheduling Committee

Claudia Eckelmann - Business

It was MSC to approve the appointments listed above. The following members all voted aye: The following members all voted aye: Freytag, Barlow Churchill, DeLoach, Carter, Hewitt, Gentry-Kolen, Shi, Vela, Larson, and Sporer. No nays. No abstentions. Approved. Approved.

6. SP GRADING

McBrien reviewed that the state senate passed a resolution in 2014 that colleges could choose to use the grade symbol SP (satisfactory progress) for non-credit courses. Our governing board has approved the use of the symbol in our district. Each college in the district can vote to use it starting in 2018-2019.

Westlake said non-credit apportionment is based on positive attendance hours. Student who attend with the fewest hours of attendance receive an NP (No Pass) grade. Students who receive a P (Passing) grade have attended consistently and have achieved course outcomes. The SP grade shows that students are progressing and have achieved some of the course outcomes but still have work to do. There is no repeatability limit on non-credit courses.

Hauscarriague said we don't have any non-credit courses and we are not planning any at this time but we now have the option of the SP grade if we do. She said these courses won't show on transcripts but she is working on having it show on internal records.

Carter said Counseling is still working to understand what courses could possibly fall under non-credit and she thinks it is too early for a vote.

McBrien said she will send out a sample of courses from Foothill College.

7. EMP DRAFT OUTLINE

Lema thanked the Educational Master Plan Steering Committee for all of their work. She distributed a draft of the EMP to Council and presented a PowerPoint updating Council on the progress of the plan. She said we are now at the Vetting process and feedback stage of the process.

Lema said the introduction in the plan states that we are a champion for students, we are adaptive and responsive to an ever-changing environment, we ensure equitable student success, and we ensure the college is ready for students versus only expecting students to be ready for college. The plan is a high level long term plan for 10 years. It is student centered, guided by the values and directives of equitable student success, it is and integrated theoretical framework to guide our work and it is results focused. The EMP is linked to the Strategic Plan through looking at the student experience and institutional conditions. The Strategic Plan is a 5-year plan and focuses on short-term goals.

Lema reviewed the timeline for the finalizing of the plan. In May the plan needs to get approval for the outline and framework. Over the summer the report sections will be finalized. In August and September the final report will be submitted, feedback will be considered, edits will be made based on the feedback, and then the plan will go out to the college.

Lema said at this time she would like endorsement for the framework and the next steps as outlined.

McBrien said this will come back at our next meeting for action.

8. VP OF INSTRUCTION REPORT

Westlake said faculty need to be thinking over the summer about their requests for new hires in the next round. She said also discussions are starting about campus facilities and what classrooms should look like to adapt to changing pedagogies and other changes that will come up in the future. She added that we need to keep in mind that we are a commuter college and to have spaces designed for students to study, work and gather.

Westlake said a Box 2a document on college priorities has been sent out to inform the requests for new hires.

9. STUDENT VETERANS

Vela updated Council on some of the activities of our student veterans.

Aleysha York, (Air Force) past president and ICC Representative for the SVA, Student Veterans Association, is transferring to San Jose State University.

Drew Greene, (Marine) most recent president of the SVA, has been accepted to the Stanford Ignite Program for young entrepreneurs.

Michael Raska (U.S. Navy) is admitted to and transferring as a history major at U.C. San Diego.

Alumni: Sam Hussain is at Yale and is graduating with dual degrees, B.A. in International Relations and Strategic Studies, and a degree from the school of Organizational Behavior and Management. He is a Whitney Fellow (prestigious) one of eight students selected in 2014 to transfer to Yale. Sam worked with the intelligence community, and helped form the Yale Veterans Alumni Association.

Brian Vargas (Marine): Is working with U.S. Representative Eric Swalwell (CA-15), and was admitted to the U.C. Berkeley School of Social Work for the Master's Degree in Social Work. Part of Brian's brief with Swalwell is intelligence. Brian graduated from U.C. Berkeley last May with a B.S. in Social Work, and was class speaker.

Anthony Rodregous, (U.S. Army, 82nd Airborne, five tours, six deployments) graduating with honors from U.C. Hastings College of the Law this Saturday, May 13th. He has been offered a plum of a job in El Paso, Texas.

Ryan Kelley, (U.S. Marine Corps) recently married in Dahlenega, GA, and is studying Mechanical Engineering at San Jose State University. He also has full-time work at Lawrence Livermore Lab doing special work.

Andrew Medina, (U.S. Marine Corps) graduated from San Bernardino State with a Master's degree in security studies, with honorable mention in Arabic Language studies. Of note, he took a leave of absence to fight in Iraq before finishing his degree. Andrew has an A.A. from DVC and a B.A. from U.C. Berkeley. (He transferred in 2011 from DVC to U.C. Berkeley, studied English literature, and graduated in 2013 from U.C.)

Jose Orta (Marine, KFOR, DVC, AA, 2003) just took the California Bar examination and is working at Kerosky, Purves and Bogue. Jose gave the talk on deported veterans along with U.C. Berkeley student and 82nd Airborne veteran (Cold War, Central America) Maurice Martin, two months ago. Orta graduated from University of the Pacific after studying at DVC.

Work Here: New leadership;

Veterans Stakeholders: Group formed to address admissions, use of GI bill and veterans benefits to streamline registration for classes, education plans. We are already talking about Veterans Week in November, how to honor our veterans. Beth Hauscarriague hosted a dinner at the Norseman to introduce new veteran students to our A and R representatives to facilitate registration, provide knowledge about Financial Aid, scholarships; our community partners were present, VFW Local, and our Concord Veterans Center reps. Maurice Delmer and Nathan Johnson. For graduation our student veterans will have stoles that the Stakeholders group ordered and will provide for them to wear at commencement.

At the VRC we are working on creating a network of student-to-student tutoring along the lines of our established tutoring center. This means that the student veterans will be taking the tutor training classes to do so if this is possible (This is Jason Carrick's brainchild).

VRC: Rosa Armendariz is working with veterans unofficially and officially. She moved to house VFW member Carolyn Black, wife of Vietnam veteran, Jerry Black, to process VA paperwork, help with benefits information at the VRC; Carolyn has stocked the kitchen, as well, with microwaveable lunches for vets who use the VRC. Jerry is a mainstay of the VRC and articulates with our student leadership in the club; The Local VFW donated t-shirts to the club with logos and club design to promote recruitment of new members.

The club is rebuilding with new officers.

Beautifying project: Horticulture Department under Peter Swensen's impetus, and Newin Orante's blessing, has provided plants to be decoratively placed around the VRC. These plants are to be arranged in the colors of certain memorial ribbons.

Sentinels of Freedom: Our sponsor Mike Conklin is looking to have a permanent administrator or director of the VRC, someone who can work with veterans, administration, and our community partners, including Concord Veterans Center.

Carter said there are only a few female veterans active in the organization. Vela said he does not know why. Carter said perhaps because the military is very structured and male dominated females don't feel as welcome. She said they need a different kind of outreach.

McBrien asked what the senate can do to help support the student veterans. Vela said the transition from the military to school can be difficult. He said some veterans want to hide their issues but we need to keep reaching out and encouraging them to become active in the organization. He said also we need to be aware of some triggers that may affect them such as loud construction noises. We also need to make them feel part of the college community.

McBrien said in the fall the senate could discuss having forums on this topic. She thanked Vela and Shi for all the work they are doing with student veterans.

10. EQUITY HOUR FOR FALL 2017

McBrien reminded Council the options for equity activities for the next year. McBrien clarified that this vote is on the home-grown activities. The vote on TEN is a separate vote.

It was MS to approve the direction Koblik is working towards for in-house equity programs. A friendly amendment was added to move to approve the Koblik to continue the work over the summer to form discussions based on CSEE and TEN data to inform the theme based discussions and activities on equity. The question was called. The following members all voted aye: The following members all voted aye: Freytag, Barlow Churchill, DeLoach, Carter, Hewitt, Gentry-Kolen, Shi, Vela, Larson, and Sporer. No nays. No abstentions. Approved.

Council reviewed the information on the TEN packages and pricing. Koblik said she will look further into how many are actually planning to continue with the TEN work they started this year.

Barlow reminded Council they have to balance how much they are willing to spend on TEN and on home-grown activities.

Sporer said the vote should wait until we have a better idea of the level of interest in continuing TEN. McBrien asked Koblik to find out what the price would be for a small cohort of 10-20 people.

11. AS PRESIDENT'S REPORT

McBrien offered congratulations to Westlake and English for getting a tutoring coordinator. She said it is a lot of work to coordinate 22 tutoring centers. She added that the TAC is working with RPEC to get data they need to determine tutoring needs.

McBrien said also a coordinator has been named to organize college success workshops.

McBrien said Patrick Leong is the new Nexus coordinator.

McBrien asked Council for approval to do work over the summer that needs to be done because of timelines.

McBrien said a letter was sent out from the state chancellor about tracking a 6 year cohort for student success. She said the letter did not mention guided pathways even though he has stated previously he supports that program. She said we need to think about the next steps for implementing some sort of pathways. \$150 million has been allocated to support them.

It was MSC to approve the senate officers to have the authority to do some senate work over the summer on behalf of the Council. The following members all voted aye: The following members all voted aye: Freytag, Barlow Churchill, DeLoach, Carter, Hewitt, Gentry-Kolen, Shi, Vela, Larson, and Sporer. No nays. No abstentions. Approved.

12. ADJOURNMENT

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

*Respectfully submitted,
Ann Langelier-Patton
Administrative Secretary*