



ACADEMIC SENATE  
APPROVED MINUTES  
February 12, 2009

DIVISION SENATORS: BUSINESS DIVISION, Jesse Saldana;  
COUNSELING DIVISION, Deborah Michelle;  
FINE ARTS DIVISION, Ian Holmes  
HEALTH SCIENCE DIVISION, Rosalie Majid;  
LANGUAGE ARTS DIVISION, Barbara Kashi;  
PHYSICAL EDUCATION DIVISION, Nancy Welliver;  
SCIENCE/ENGINEERING/MATH DIVISION, Victoria Castle-Donovetsky;  
SOCIAL SCIENCE DIVISION, Regina Rhymes;  
VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL DIVISION, Dan Snook;

SENATORS-AT-LARGE: Nancy Deutsch, Michael Frey, Pat Ganer, Ed Giardina, Steve Gold, Kathy Llanos, Beth Piburn, Alan Ransom, Molly Schulps;

ADJUNCT SENATOR:  
LIAISONS: ASSOCIATED STUDENTS: José Gonzalez;  
CAMPUS DIVERSITY:  
CAMPUS TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE: Rosalie Majid;  
CURRICULUM COMMITTEE: Cherie Dickey;  
FOUNDATION: Beth Piburn;  
PROGRAM REVIEW COMMITTEE: Kathy Alvarez;  
STAFF DEVELOPMENT: Nancy Deutsch;  
UNITED FACULTY: Alan Ransom

ACADEMIC SENATE PRESIDENT: Rob Johnson  
ACADEMIC SENATE PAST-PRESIDENT: Cherie Dickey  
Senators and Officers Absent: Nancy Welliver  
Alternates in Attendance: Debra McPherson for Kathy Llanos  
Liaisons in Attendance: Nancy Deutsch, José Gonzalez, Beth Piburn, Alan Ransom  
Guests: Will Heusser, Sheila Mullen

The meeting was called to order by President Rob Johnson at 3:10 p.m.

I. Approval of Minutes

The January 22, 2009 Minutes were approved as written M/S/P (2 abstentions) (Ransom/Dickey).

II. Public Commentary – None

III. President's Report – Rob Johnson

A. Board of Trustee Meeting – January 27, 2009

- Dale Craig, United Faculty President, addressed the Board regarding the scheduling of Summer School classes without faculty input
- Comments from the audience were heard regarding the oversight of the Fullerton College Childcare Center. Also Fullerton residents expressed their concerns about the proposed Fullerton College Physical Education Complex, specifically 1) the lack of communication to the neighbors of Fullerton College, 2) the traffic, 3) noise, 4) lighting, 5) parking, and 6) the impact to the surrounding neighborhood.
- Fred Williams, the Vice-Chancellor of Finance, presented a state budget report about the Governor's Budget which was less drastic in cutting community college funding. However, the budget has not been adopted yet and keeps changing from day to day. It was decided to transfer or borrow funds from the County so that the District can meet its payroll.
- Mike Kasler announced that Jack Scott, former Cypress College President and the new California Community College Chancellor, will be honored at Americana in February and will be the featured graduation speaker this May.
- Mike Kasler also announced the opening of the Vietnamese Art Exhibit, a part of which has caused some controversy, especially in the Vietnamese community.

#### B. The State Budget

- Community College League of California Report – February 12, 2009. According to Scott Lay, as of today, the allocation for community colleges will be cut more than the Governor's December budget. The budget today looks more like the Democrat's budget with a cut of \$157 million.
- The District Planning Council Budget Subcommittee has been charged with looking at the 400 suggestions for cutting the District budget. Chancellor Ned Doffoney wants feedback from the subcommittee by April 1.
- The Cypress College Planning and Budget Committee has also established a Budget Subcommittee to look at the suggestions members of the Cypress College community have made to cut the budget. At this time, there is no indication of how these two committees will intersect. Everything is still up in the air. Karen Cant has been pushing for some kind of target. Fred Williams has stated that we need to cut the number of classes we offer. However, the District Budget Guidelines says the District needs to preserve classes. Dr. Doffoney has said that the cuts will come from the bottom up.

#### C. President's Advisory Cabinet – February 5, 2009

- Spring FTES projections have put the college over the cap.
- The Institutional Effectiveness Task Force was approved.
- Summer school dates have been set, but there is the possibility that we might even not have summer school, depending on the final state budget.
- The steel frame for the Humanities glass stairwell will be installed this week.
- President's Advisory Council has been reorganized to include the Director of Institutional Research and Planning.
- There was a debrief on the emergency drill.
- A group was formed to begin work on the ARCC report and self-study.

D. Board of Trustees Meeting – February 10, 2009

- Cherie Dickey, Past-President, represented the Senate at this meeting.
- More comments from the Fullerton community were delivered concerning the Fullerton College Physical Education Complex.
- Leonard Lahtinen, NOCCCD Trustee, attended the State of the City meetings for Cypress, Anaheim, and Fullerton. Cypress was the only city that mentioned it had a community college and recognized the city's relationship with the college.
- Special mention was made of Jerry Burchfield's art exhibit in the Southeast Museum of Photography in Florida.
- The Board approved a resolution supporting the United States and World Education Act.
- Tony Ontiveros asked for information gathering regarding how other community colleges in the area determine their class size.
- All Cypress College curriculum was approved: five new courses, 71 revision of courses, one new degree, and eight revised certificates.

E. Proposed Joint Senates Resolution on the Planning and Budget Process

Ken Collins, the Fullerton College Faculty Senate President, is proposing a Joint Senates Resolution on the budget & planning process of the District. The faculty of the District do not have a part to play in the planning of the budget.

IV. Faculty Issues

A. Distance Education Plan – Rob Johnson

Rob Johnson reported that a committee has been established to review the Distance Education Plan and determine which areas need to be overseen by the Senate and which areas should be overseen by other entities.

B. Resolution on Length of Intersession Under Compressed Calendar – Steve Gold

Steve Gold moved the adoption of the resolution and the motion was seconded by Beth Piburn.

- Discussion of the motion continued. There was no agreement among division representatives on the length of the proposed winter intersession and start and end of the compressed spring semester. Whether the UF uses a compressed calendar or not, it needs to determine what they are going to recommend. Some of the questions posed were:
  - How long is it going to take to make a decision or recommendation about the compressed calendar?
  - What is best for the college and what is best for students?
  - If the District goes to a compressed calendar, how long should the winter intersession be?

- It was suggested that the United Faculty present the compressed calendar with two or three options for the length of the winter intersession, including the pedagogical reasons for having a longer winter intersession, i.e. science, math, and English classes could be offered in a longer intersession.

It was M/S/P (12 ayes, 4 nays, 1 abstention) to adopt the resolution.

C. Academic Senate Elections — Cherie Dickey

Molly Schulps, a Ceramics instructor from Fine Arts, was elected the new At-large Senator for the next one and one-half years.

Within two days, there were three nominees for Adjunct Senator. Cherie has asked them to write a candidate statement to be included with the ballot.

D. Fall 2008 Program Review Report

It was M/S/P (Piburn/Kashi) to approve the revised language presented by Cherie Dickey and Nancy Deutsch to replace the section on Developmental Education.

BASIC SKILLS INITIATIVE & STUDENT NEEDS:

1. How does your department assist your underprepared students so that they can succeed in your class? (ex. tutoring, supplemental instruction, explanation of study skills that are effective in your discipline, i.e. how to read the textbook)
2. If applicable, how is your department participating in the Basic Skills Initiative?

E. Enrollment Management Plan – Rob Johnson

This item was tabled until the next meeting.

F. Summer School – Rob Johnson

It was announced that June 22 will be the start date of the summer intersession. Because the Senate was left out of the decision-making process, Rob will discuss the issue with the Chancellor, Ned Doffoney.

G. Final Grade Submission – Rob Johnson

Rob asked the Senate what course of action they wanted him to take. He asked the Senate to decide how soon instructors should submit their grades after the semester ends. Deborah Michelle reported that Kris Nelson had clarified that students who were in danger of failing a prerequisite class could either sign up for the same class or enroll the subsequent class before the semester ended. However, if students did not pass the prerequisite class and enrolled in the subsequent class, Banner would drop them from the subsequent class. It was recommended that instructors should tell students if they were in danger of failing a class and what their options were.

V. Special Reports

A. Associated Students — José Gonzalez

- Club rush is scheduled for March 4 and 5 from February 4 & 5.
- The Blood Drive is scheduled for February 18 & 19.
- AS representatives will attend two rallies to keep student fees down: Friday, February 27 in Pasadena and Monday, March 16 in Sacramento.

B. Treasurer's Report — No report.

C. Program Review Committee (IQA) — Previously discussed.

D. Curriculum Committee — Cherie Dickey

At DCCC on Friday, February 6, the following actions were taken: 81 courses were deactivated; 14 new courses were presented, 101 courses revisions were presented, and eight new certificates and one revised degree were discussed.

E. Campus Technology Committee — Rosalie Majid

The Committee has not met, because they are waiting for the new Interim Manager for Academic Computing who has not been named yet. Rosalie asked the Senate to approve her as a resource person on the Committee.

F. Staff Development — No report.

G. Foundation Report — No report.

H. United Faculty — No report.

IV. Announcements — None.

VII. Adjournment of Meeting

M/S/U (Piburn/Dickey) to adjourn the meeting at 5:11 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Nancy Deutsch,  
Academic Senate Secretary