

College Council Minutes
September 6, 2011
2:30 pm
Karas Room

College Council Members: Doug Garrison, Carsbia Anderson, Marty Johnson (Interim VP AA), Michael Gilmartin, Steve Ma, Art St. Laurent, Julie Bailey, Gary Bolen, Mark Clements, Ruth Osorio, Stephanie Perkins, Fred Hochstaedter, Adria Gerard, Alan Haffa, Lyndon Schutzler, Loren Walsh (CSEA Rep.) Suzanne Ammons (Brenda Kalina for Suzanne on 9/6), ASMPC Pres. (vacant), ASMPC Rep (vacant)

Absent: Ruth Osorio

Guest: Amelia Hellam, Lena Valdez, Sharon Colton, Laura Franklin and Judee Timm.

Campus Community Comments:

- Carsbia Anderson spoke in regard to the “Project Truth” that will be on campus on the 12th and 13th of September. Project Truth is an organization that will be handing out information to students and others “who are interested in discussing our issue of the sanctity of human life.” The organization has expressed that they “will be quiet and respectful, and will not hinder any foot traffic in areas open to the public.” Project Truth will set up displays that are considered by some to be extremely graphic images that might upset those who see the images. They will be setting up in high traffic areas, but are not to disrupt classes. Security will be observing the activities throughout the day to ensure they adhere to the Time, Place, and manner Policy of the college.
- Lyndon Schutzler announced that there will be a home football game this Saturday 9/10 at 6pm. We are playing Contra Costa. Men’s & women’s soccer has started, and volleyball will begin next week.
- Alan Haffa read the announcement from the Creative Writing Club. There will be a “Banned Books Read-Out” on September 29th from 1pm-3pm in the Sam Kara room.
- Art St. Laurent introduced himself as the new MS representative. Art is the Supervisor of Security and has been working at MPC for 15 years.
- Gary Bolen told us about opening Friday night of the Story Book Theater presentation of Beowulf at Carmel Middle School. There will be a preview on Thursday. Get your tickets.
- Fred inquired as the suggestion from the last meeting about Alan speaking to the board in regards to health care issues. Alan stated he did go and thought it went well.

1) **Minutes – August 16, 2011:** a motion was made to accept the minutes by Michael Gilmartin and 2nd by Julie Bailey. The minutes were approved as recorded.

2) Action Items:

- a) ***Inst. Committee on Distance Ed: Follow Up to Recommendation #4 (2nd reading) Laura Franklin, Judee Timm and Marty Johnson:***
- 1) Marty indicated that this is the interim report and is separate from the Distance Education Plan. This report addresses the response to the Accreditation team Recommendation #4.
 - 2) Judee and Laura explained there were a few word changes done to the document, but the major change was on page 9. There the report had talked about Distance Ed for General Education Programs. This would mean that you could complete your GE with all on-line courses. Before we can do this we would have to go through a substantive change request. This was taken out of the report.
 - 3) It was stated that we will continue to see interaction of this in a variety of reports to come. Such as the Mid-Term Report, also in the next self-study Distance Ed will be a major part.
 - 4) This is a living document. The evidence keeps growing.
 - 5) Laura introduced Marty as the new co-chair to the Distance Ed committee. Laura has been doing the job in the place of a Vice President of Academic Affairs.
 - 6) Sharon Colton stated that she was very pleased with the report and she fully supports it.
 - 7) There was a question on the evaluation process. The committee has been looking at what other

schools have been doing. It seems to be an issue all over to get students to complete the evaluations. The committee is working on this and looking at ways of giving incentives to get the evaluations completed.

- 8) It was stated that at this time next year we will be here looking at the Recommendation 1-3 (SLO's) around October 15, 2012 and then working on the Mid-Term Report for 12/13.
- 9) The motion was made by Mark Clements to approve, 2nd by Carsbia Anderson. The report was approved the 14 yes's and 1 abstention.

3) **Board Policy Revisions:** <http://mympc.mpc.edu/Committees/PACC/default.aspx>

a) **BP 2205 (revision) and BP 2206 (Bicycles, skateboards) - update**

- 1) Steve Ma indicated that he presented BP 2205 and BP 2206 to the Board of Trustees. The Trustees had questions and wanted him to take these two Board Policies back for further review. Their concerns were the liability the College would face with these policies and what were other colleges doing. They were really concerned about skateboarders. Maybe the policy on non-motorized vehicles should not be lumped as one.. Hartnell, Gavilan, Ohlone and Cabrillo do not promote non-motorized vehicles on campus. Also our insurance broker, Keenan, indicated that the District could be subjecting itself to safety risks and added liability exposure with a policy which allows the riding of non-motorized vehicles on campus.
- 2) There was a very lengthy conversation in regards to this policy. The conversation went from the safety issue in regards to having bikes and skateboards riding on sidewalks along with pedestrians. Who decides what is safe. If a person is walking and a biker comes up from behind and doesn't announce themselves, one may feel that is unsafe. However the biker may feel it is okay. The policy needs to define "dangerous behavior". It was stated that in the last 2 years there have been no incidents reports. But how many people will report? There is a risk of having a non-motorized vehicle come around a blind corner, where a person is walking.
- 3) There was a discussion on who enforces the non-motorized vehicles. Do we need more signs on campus? The enforcement needs to be uniformed. What is Security's role?
- 4) Alan Haffa made the following points in support of allowing bikes on campus:
 - Bikers save money by freeing up parking spaces for car commuters. Parking lots are very expensive.
 - Forcing bikers off campus can be unsafe for the bikers, as you will force them on to the roads and parking lots around campus, which are not safe for bikers.
 - Whether we allow bikes or not, we do not waive our liability. We can still be held liable in court if there is an accident.
 - Since the enforcement policy has been relaxed, the number of bikers appears to be increasing. That's a good thing for reasons above.
 - Bikes and pedestrians co-exist well down by the Monterey Wharf, and the city encourages bikers.
 - Other universities allow bikes on campus (UC Davis, Santa Barbara, Santa Cruz, UCLA, Irvine, CSUMB).
 - There have been no reported incidences of dangerous bike behavior since we relaxed enforcement policy on campus.

In conclusion, the policies need to go back to Health and Safety to be reviewed. It was suggested that maybe there should be an educational program for those who wish to ride non-motorized vehicles on campus. There was another suggestion of maybe making bike lanes, to include pathways on and off campus. After Health and Safety reviews, these policies need to go through the advisory groups before coming back to College Council.

4) **Information Items:**

a) **Classified Replacement Position:**

- 1) None

b) **Full-Time – Faculty Replacement:**

- 1) None
- c) **College Council membership terms:**
 - 1) Alan announced that Ruth Osorio has had to step down. The Senate will be looking for a replacement.
 - 2) Stephanie Perkins was approved to be the new Co-chair. Congratulation Stephanie!
- 5) **Discussion items for *future* meetings:**
 - a) Healthcare & Broker of Record (update on how projections are rendered): Late Sept/Oct best.
 - b) Growth Goal for the Ed. Center at Marina (managing growth & cuts) – following budget update anticipated in mid-December for clearer picture.
 - c) Thin Client: Ideal to cover this issue with CC meeting located at the Ed Center following the Grand Opening of Sept. 23rd.
 - d) Year End Funds – Will have a better idea of YEF following closing of books and audit in late October.
 - e) Equipment Refreshment need campus wide:
 - f) Shared Governance and Institutional Planning and Budgeting:
 - g) Food & Drink in classrooms?

Alan brought up (a) above. The Health and Welfare Cost Containment Committee operates under collective bargaining, so we need to be careful on what we request. As College Council we do have the right though to ask for updates. We need to be able to share our opinions with the group. Loren stated that HWCCC is an open meeting and anyone can attend as a guest. Loren has encouraged the classified to attend the meeting, and he suggests that Faculty and administration also get involved. The best way to be informed is to go to a meeting and listen.

6) **Other:**

- 1) Committee Reports:

7) **Meeting adjourned at 3:30pm.** Next meeting will be September 20, 2011 at 2:30 in the Sam Karas Room.