

College Council Minutes
Tuesday, February 17, 2009
2:30 p.m.
Sam Karas Room

College Council Members: Doug Garrison, Carsbia Anderson, John Gonzalez, Michael Gilmartin, Joe Bissell, Julie Bailey, Gary Bolen, Steve Morgan, Mark Clements, Bill Jones, Brenda Lee Kalina, Alfred Hochstaedter, A.J. Farrar, Bernie Abbott, Lyndon Schutzler, Susan Villa, Suzanne Ammons, ASMPC Pres. Mike Dickey (vacant: 1 MPCSEA rep. and 1 ASMPC rep.)

Absent: Doug Garrison, Joe Bissell, Bill Jones, Alfred Hochstaedter, Susan Villa, Suzanne Ammons, ASMPC President Mike Dickey.

Guests: Paula Norton, Ron Holback

Campus Community Comments:

Carsbia Anderson announced:

- That Lobo Day (Luau theme) would be held on Feb. 18th from 10am -2pm. If it rains it will be held in the College Center. There will be 10 services and 30 clubs represented. Also Cynthia McKinney will speak at 2pm in Lecture Forum 203.
- On March 7th at the Oldemeyer Center at 7pm the annual performance of the University of California Santa Cruz African American Theatre Arts Troupe will take place. The AATAT performance, sponsored by MPC, is free to the public, they will be performing *The Piano*, by August Wilson.

Lyndon Schutzler announced:

- Feb. 18th will be the last home games for both Men's and Women's Basketball. The women play Ohlone College at 5:30pm and the men play DeAnza College at 7:30pm. The teams will also be participating in the Basketball Coaches Association's "Pink Zone" in honor of breast cancer awareness, and wear pink shoe laces. In lieu of an entrance fee, donations will be accepted.

Gary Bolen announced:

- There will be auditions held over the next two weekends for the upcoming musicals *Company* and *the Producers*.

1) **Minutes – Feb. 3, 2009:** Approved with clarifications.

2) **Accreditation Update/Reports:**

- Dr. Gonzalez reported that the co-chairs of the 4 standards meet on February 9th. The purpose of the meeting was to make sure that all documents are being shared within and across the standards. Each standard will be making a report to the Academic Senate, starting this Thursday the 19th of Feb.
- The Senate suggested that each standard prepare to talk about two things that are being done well, two things where there are problems and two things that are in development.
- Bernie indicated that the co-chairs should also address the College Council. Bernie will make sure that this gets put on the agenda and the co-chairs are informed.

3) **Information Items:**

a. **Classified Position Requests:** None

b. **Faculty Position Requests:** None

c. **Other:**

- i. **Shared Governance Model:** Bernie spoke at SSAG this week in regards to the shared Governance Model. SSAG formed a sub-committee and will report back by March 25th. Bernie still needs to take the SGM to AAAG, indicating they may also want to form a sub-committee to look at the document.

4) Action Items:

a. BSI Committee's spending recommendation 2nd reading:

- Paula Norton first stated that an action plan was sent to the state last year and all funding must meet what is on the action plan. Paula handed out the Action Plan and the BSI Funding Request Summary. Paula then gave a brief history on how the BSI came about. In 2004, the California Community College System Office began a comprehensive strategic planning process for the purpose of improving student access and success. Then the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges unanimously adopted the final draft of the Strategic Plan. The plan includes five strategic goal areas: college awareness and access; student success and readiness; partnerships for economic and workforce development; system effectiveness; and resource development. The goal of student success and readiness contains seven areas of focus, one of which is basic skills. (You can obtain a copy of this "Basic Skills as a Foundation for Student Success in California Community Colleges" published by the ASCCC.)
- Up until now BSI has not really had a process to spend the funding. This funding request is an attempt to spend some of the monies by June 30th. There is a plan in place if all the monies are not spent. All monies can be rolled over except for 05/06 and 06/07
- In regards to request A, a counseling position, SSAG has made the suggestion of having this position be filled by a seasoned counselor and backfill a new counseling position, but the regulation language needs to be checked to see if this is an option.
- Request H, BSI Coordinator, this will not happen till fall 2009 due to a timing issue. Monies will be spent on other action plan items on the request.
- Dr. Gonzalez indicated that some action items in the Action Plan submitted to the Chancellor's Office are contingent on other action items and we need to ensure that they are implemented in sequence. As in the case of request item A, the study in B1 needs to be completed prior to funding B2. The discussion at the BSI Committee was that Counseling has conducted the study and the results are in the Program Review. This indicates that information from the program review would need to be extrapolated and included in the Progress Report to the Chancellor's Office. There was no more discussion and the vote was to **approve** the BSI Funding Request.

b. Long Term Financial Planning 2nd reading:

- Carsbia Anderson presented this in the absence of Joe Bissell. The document has gone to all advisory groups. The District's long term plan includes seven areas that the District will target to help increase future revenue and promote secure enrollments:
 1. Increase enrollment (growth).
 2. Review noncredit FTES for potential conversion to credit FTES or to enhance non credit FTES.
 3. Review positive attendance courses for possible conversion to census and, review attendance accounting methods to ensure compliance and accuracy.
 4. Review possible gains with a restructure of current academic calendar.
 5. Reduce dependence on instructional service agreements and ensure agreements maintained are well administered.
 6. Ensure administrative support for economic and workforce development.
 7. Pursue other funding sources.

The District's long term plan also includes working to reduce expenses by continuing to pursue cost containment measures, especially for the District's two largest expenses; employee's benefits and utilities.

- The discussion got stuck on number 4, the Academic Calendar. Dr. Gonzalez explained that there is a Calendar Committee that is reviewing academic calendar options. There are 4 options that are being looked at:
 1. The current calendar.
 2. Start spring in January and go to May and have two summer sessions.
 3. Expand early spring to 6 weeks and offer more classes.
 4. Going to a quarter system.
- The Academic Calendar Committee made up of John Anderson, Leandro Castillo, Michael Gilmartin, Lyndon Schutzler, John Gonzalez, and Susan Steele, will be looking into the impact of each option, such as the expense or savings, how it will impact high school students, reverse transfer students, all departments on campus, and the CTA and CSEA contracts.
- We finally got back to the discussion about the Long Term Planning and the document was **approved**.

5) **Other:** We closed and went home.

6) **Next Meeting:** March 3rd at 2:30