

# College Council Minutes

Tuesday, October 2, 2007

2:30 p.m.

Karas Room

College Council Members: Doug Garrison, Carsbia Anderson, John Gonzalez, Michael Gilmartin, Joe Bissell, Julie Bailey, Marianne Ide, Steve Morgan, Gail Fail, Bill Jones, Brenda Lee Kalina, Stephanie Perkins, Alfred Hochstaedter, A.J. Farrar, Bernie Abbott, Lyndon Schutzler, Suzanne Ammons (vacant: 1 MPCSEA rep. and 1 ASMPC Pres.)

**Absent:** Gail Fail (Gary Fuller instead), Brenda Lee Kalina, Stephanie Perkins (Ron Rinehart instead), Marianne Ide, ASMPC rep.

**Guests:** Sharon Colton, Susan Steele

## Campus Community Comments:

**Board Candidates Forum:** Dr. Garrison announced/reminded the group of the MPC Board Candidates' Forum, scheduled for Oct. 11 at 7:00 pm in the Karas Room, which will be co-sponsored by the League of Women Voters and ASMPC. The following recap was given:

- It will feature the six candidates running for the MPC Governing Board and all participating in the forum
- Four of the six candidates are running for the regular, full-term positions on the board.
- Incumbents Charlie Page, Lynn Davis, and Loren Steck are running. Alvin Edwards will also be running for one of the full-term seats.
- The recent resignation of Robert Infelise as trustee created a short-term, two-year vacancy for the board. Running for that seat are Carl Pohlhammer and Diane Cordero do Noriega.
- Representatives from the League of Women Voters and ASMPC will moderate the forum.

## Academic Freedom:

- Fred announced that there will be an Academic Freedom Town Hall meeting about the proposed Academic Freedom Policy, as endorsed with recommended wording that came from the September 20 meeting.
- The Town Hall meeting is purposed to inform and educate MPC faculty about our proposed Academic Freedom policy, and to gain consensus that this is the proposed policy that we as faculty would like to send on through the approval process.
- The policy will then go to PACC, who will send it to whomever they deem necessary, including the ASMPC.
- After review, the policy will go to the College Council for college-wide endorsement for the President to bring to the Board.
- Fred also shared the September 2007 issue of the ASCCC State Senate publication, the Rostrum, which features two excellent articles on the relationship between Student Learning Outcomes and accreditation.

## Carmel's Writers Conference

- John informed the Council that 11 MPC faculty members participated in the first annual Carmel Writers Conference on September 28, 29, and 30. The \$500 registration fees were waived for each participant thanks to a generous donation.

1) **Minutes –September 18, 2007:** Approved as amended.

2) **Information Items(see available attachments):**

**Instructional Specialist- SC 5A, Replacement - (John Gonzalez):** John reviewed this replacement position within the Drama Department.

3) **Action Items (see available attachments):**

**a) Administrative Services Reorganization-fiscal impact/ Dean of Technology (2nd reading) Dr. Garrison:** Discussion continued with comments/concerns shared including the following:

- Adequate support staff must be considered
- The difference in costs for the proposed reorganization is \$7,363 per year and it was noted that this difference will not adversely affect the faculty formula
- AAAG had expressed concerns/comments regarding the importance of adequate support for technology issues on the Academic side of the house.
- It was explained that while up until now “Dean” has been used primarily for Academic positions, this position must now address the changes in responsibility that exist as a result of how Information Technology has been transformed over the years from exclusive accessibility by a few to ongoing accessibility and use by nearly all. The expansion of duties warrants the Dean designation.

*The motion to approve the Dean of Technology position was made by Fred Hochstaedter, seconded by Joe Bissell, with all voting in favor and one opposed.*

**b) Academic Affairs Reorganization-fiscal impact/Dean of Instruction (2nd reading) Dr. Gonzalez –see *Organizational chart - handout*:**

- John indicated that a review of the proposed Institutional Goals, with feedback from various Advisory Groups was held. The following objectives supporting the proposed Institutional Goals are contained within the initiative under the new Dean of Instruction position (see attachment-*Draft Proposed Institutional Goals* for complete information):
  - **Goal #1(Academic Excellence)-Objective #5**
  - **Goal #3 (Build MPC-economic driving force) – Objectives #1,2 and 4**
  - **Goal #5 (Education Center – Seaside and Marina communities) – Objectives # 2, 5 and 6.**
- Some members of AAAG and others expressed concerns/comments regarding the need for adequate clerical support for this position.

John added that a higher mission should include that we work with high schools early enough to decrease the drop-out rates by providing an opportunity for high school students to participate in an enrichment program, and help stimulate the regional economy by providing future workers with the necessary skills to be competitive in the workplace.

*The motion to approve the Dean of Instruction position was made by A. J. Farrar, seconded by Mike Gilmartin, with all voting in favor.*

4) **Board Policy Revisions (update):** A document will be forwarded from the Pres/Vice Pres. Group to launch the process for getting Board Policy revisions underway.

5) **Other:**

**a) Committee Reports:** Bernie reminded everyone that input from All Users regarding the *Draft – Proposed Institutional Goals* is due Oct. 5 (Friday). The subcommittee will reconvene and incorporate the comments/suggestions and return to College Council.

Discussion was held as to whether the Mission Statement should be written once the Goals and Objectives were finalized or prior to. It was decided the issue “Mission Statement” would be placed on the agenda for discussion of process and a timeline.