



Senate Minutes

Academic Senate Council Meeting
 November 17th, 2006, 2:30-4:00 p.m.
 Room 5305

X	John Veres Biology	A	Greg Baxley Physical Sciences	X	Sean Boling English	X	Peet Cocke Fine Arts
X	Beth-Ann Dumas Lang. And Comm.	A	Walt Rehm Physical Education	X	Brent LaMon North County Rep.	A	Jane Morgan Vice-President
X	Allison Merzon President	X	Rober Schwennicke Math	X	Patrick Len Physical Sciences	X	Carina Love Learning Resources
X	Marilyn Rossa CCFT Rep.	A	Steve Hendricks Part-time At Large	X	Jan Gillette Human Development	X	Regina Reyes Counseling
	VACANT AS/DSPS	X	Jack Sullivan Business	X	Toni Torrey Nursing	X	John Knuston Performing Arts
X	Kent Brudney Social Science	X	Gary Villa Engineering & Tech.	X	Larry Johnston Full-time At Large	A	Bart Gant ASCC Representative
A	Kevin Bontenbal Curriculum Chair	X	Guest: Bob Miller representing Physical Education				

I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Is there any business that has representative guests or reports that need to be done first so these individuals do not have to stay for the entire meeting? Is there any business that requires immediate action and therefore, must be dealt with before any other business at this meeting?

Agenda rearranged to accommodate CCFT request.

II. OLD BUSINESS

1. Early Alert

(Bontenbal/ 15 minutes)

As Cuesta transition to the Banner/Luminous software some of the current systems we have in place will either go away or be incorporated into this new system. Early Alert is one of those systems. As faculty, we have to decide if we want to keep Early Alert or some form of Early Alert in the new Banner system.

Posting of midterm grades is a feature that is offered in the Banner software system. Do we want this functionality and is this something that could replace Early Alert?

Proposal: Eliminate Early Alert and enable an optional midterm grade posting in the new Banner software.

TABLED

III. NEW BUSINESS

1. Hi-Tech Cheating

(Brudney/ 15 minutes)

Discussion: Should the Academic Senate Council draft a campus policy prohibiting the use of cell phones and PDAs in the classroom? A no-cell phone/PDA policy would become part of the college's official code of conduct, such that the use of either type of device in classrooms is strictly prohibited.

After discussion, the following was proposed:

Proposal: The Senate shall establish a committee to investigate, inform and make recommendations to the Senate Council on this issue. Note: K. Brudney is the committee chair.

Consensus reached.

2. SLOS and the Syllabus

(LaMon/ 20 minutes)

Proposal: The Academic Senate Council directs faculty to begin placing statements consistent with their Course SLOS on their syllabi.

Red carded.

After lengthy discussion on this issue, including verification of the exact wording of the Accreditation Standards, the following proposal was suggested:

Proposal: To comply with the Accreditation Standards, the Academic Senate Council recommends that faculty ensure statements consistent with their course student learning objectives are in their syllabi by Spring 2008.

Red carded.

The President made the decision that this topic was of such significance that the Council needed to go to a vote on said issue. The proposal passed 14-yes, 3-no, 1-abstain.

IV. REPORTS

(Total 15 minutes)

1. Sizzler – No Report
2. Board of Trustees Meeting – No Report
3. Curriculum – No Report
4. Equivalency – No Report
5. Faculty Professional Development (1 minute)
 - a. Seeking Applications
6. Senate Committee on Student Learning Outcomes and Assessments (3 minutes)
 - a. PowerPoint Available on the Senate Website
7. CCFT (3 minutes)
 - a. Union members are encouraged to engage in dialogue of the CCFT listserv regarding the Calendar and Spring Break. Faculty were encouraged to think of academic integrity issues when framing their concerns.
8. Planning and Budget - No Report
9. Legislation (2 minutes)
 - a. Senators were asked to continue to address specific Statewide Relations within their divisions.

V. CALL TO ACTION ITEMS

(Merzon) (2 minutes)

1. Recruit One for At Least One – Accreditation Training November 28th

2. Reminder to Continue to Discuss Senate Resolutions Presented at the 11.03.06 Meeting

VI. INFORMATION/ PENDING ITEMS

1. Course Repetition Policy Update – Merzon
 - a. The last audit revealed an anomaly in the way Cuesta accounts for substandard course grade repeaters after the second repeat and beyond. A new procedure will be used in Spring 2007. This procedure includes requiring a faculty signature on adds for repeaters of a course after the second repeat. Students who wish to repeat a class given a third or subsequent substandard grade will not be able to add that specific class until the first week of classes and not without an instructor's signature.
 - b. FW Grade Ad Hoc Committee
 - i. A request was made to form an Ad Hoc Committee to investigate, inform and make a recommendation to the Senate Council on this matter.
2. Tim Channell – Cuesta Marketing and Communications Director
 - a. Absent

VII. AGENDA BUILDER/ SIZZLER ITEMS

Are there any items/issues that anyone has that he/she feels need to be on the Senate Council agenda for discussion, or that need to be taken to Sizzler for answers/clarification? No discussion is to take place on items/issues at this time.

Next Meeting: December 8, 2006

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