



# Senate Minutes

**Academic Senate Council Meeting  
January 25th, 2007, 2:30-4:00 p.m.  
Room 5305**

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

## 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?

## II. OLD BUSINESS

### 1. Appointment & confirmation election of a Vice-President (Morgan/ 10 min)

**Background:** Given the change in leadership of the Academic Senate the position of Vice-President was vacated. After approaching a number of people, and having no volunteers from the Senate Council, I asked part-time Anthropology instructor Lise Mifsud if she were interested in the position. She was enthusiastic and excited about the opportunity. Lise and I have worked together on a number of projects and I find her to be competent, professional, and dedicated. I enjoy working with her and we work well together.

I anticipate the following concerns:

Lise works part-time – No full time faculty volunteered for the position and at this point it would be extremely difficult to rearrange a full-time faculty schedule. Lise has the time.

Lise has no experience with the Academic Senate – I had no experience with the Academic Senate when I was elected VP. This is an excellent opportunity to involve new faculty in the Senate.

This is an emergency situation and I know that Lise and I will work very well together.

**Proposal:** The Academic Senate vote to confirm Lise Mifsud as the Vice-President for the remainder of the semester.

**Consensus reached.**

## **2. Officer Elections**

**(Morgan/ 10 min)**

As Cuesta has recently reorganized management, and consequently the Academic Senate leadership, it might be beneficial to continue to accept nominations and hold elections later in the semester in order to give people a chance to consider running for a position.

**Proposal:** The Academic Senate will accept nominations until March 23 and will hold elections before the end of the semester.

**Consensus reached.**

## **III. NEW BUSINESS**

### **1. Sizzler**

**(Morgan 5 min)**

**Background:** Ed Maduli has proposed reducing Sizzler to once per month (rather than twice per month).

**Proposal:** The Senate Council approve the reduction of Sizzler to once per month.

**Consensus not reached.**

**New proposal: The Academic Senate Council has serious concerns about the decrease of Sizzler to once per month and does not support its reduction.**

**Consensus Reached. Proposal accepted.**

### **2. Hi-Tech Cheating/Student Plagiarism/Cheating and Dropping Courses**

**(Morgan/ 5 minutes)**

**Background:** Last semester the ASC approved the formation of two ad hoc committees: the Hi-Tech Cheating Committee and the Student Plagiarism/Cheating and Dropping Courses Committee. It seems that these committees would overlap in some areas and could be made into one.

**Proposal:** The Senate shall combine the ad hoc committees on Hi-Tech Cheating and Student Plagiarism/Cheating and Dropping Courses. Note: K. Brudney is the committee chair.

**Consensus reached. Proposal accepted.**

**3. Management Senate – Faculty Senate Joint Project (Morgan/40 min)**

**Background:** Given the current climate regarding discussion of campus leadership, perhaps now is the time to discuss the lack of leadership training and guiding principles across campus. A new document could be developed that could serve as the basis for leadership “training” on campus (e.g. Division Chair Mentor Program, Grown Your Own Leaders Program, Senate President Training and Education, etc.). The current leadership training offered at Cuesta is “sink or swim.” The ASC has already approved a proposal that the AS leadership meet with the MS leadership to begin working on such a document. Today I’d like to brainstorm on what some of the guiding principles for leadership are.

**Proposal:** The Academic Senate Council brainstorm ideas today about leadership guiding principles for Cuesta College for the ASC President to take to the meeting with the Management Senate.

**This item is tabled and will be discussed during the next Academic Senate Council meeting.**

**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 - Gillette (3 min)
6. Senate Committee on Student Learning Outcomes and Assessments (3 minutes)
  - a. PowerPoint Available on the Senate Website
7. CCFT (3 minutes)
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**

**(Morgan/ 5 minutes)**

1. Reminder to Continue to Discuss Senate Resolutions Presented at the 11.03.06 Meeting
2. Accreditation – reminder to discuss with divisions the need for a faculty co-chair, writers, editors, etc. There is release time available.

**VI. INFORMATION/ PENDING ITEMS**

**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: February 9, 2007**

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