SADDLEBACK COLLEGE – ACADEMIC SENATE

MINUTES

March 24th, 2010
2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
AGB Conference Room – AGB 107

Senate Officers:
Bob Cosgrove, President: Present
Norman Weston, Vice President: Present
Miki Mikolajczak, Past President: Present
Carmen Dominguez, President Elect: Present
Dan Walsh, Secretary: Present

Health Science (3)
Susan Nawa Raridon Present
Linda Call Present

Liberal Arts (4)
Carol Ziehm Present
Janet Bagwell Present
Basil Smith Present
Cheryl Altman (Alternate) Present

Learning Resources (1)
April Cunningham Present

Math, Science & Engineering (4)
Jeanne Smith Present
Karrah Street Present
Jody Cochrane Present

P.E./Kinesiology & Athletics (2)
Nancy Bessette Present
Karen Jacobsen Absent

Social and Behavioral Sciences (3)
Mike Merrifield Present
Alannah Rosenberg Absent
Howard Gensler Present

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 2:07 pm.

2. INTRODUCE AND WELCOME GUESTS

Rajen Vurdien was present as a guest.

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA
Carol Ziehm moved, it was seconded by Jo Ann Alford, and was approved that the agenda be adopted with allowance for re-ordering of items.

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Jeanne Smith moved, it was seconded by Jody Cochrane and affirmed that the minutes from March 3rd, 2010 be approved.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jeanne Smith brought up a recent LA Times story about study identity fraud in the classroom and the need for being able to correctly identify students in the classroom.

Miki Mikolajczak distributed a recent Transfer Center flyer sent out to area high school senior families.

Miki also informed us of El Toro High School counselors provided misinformation to their students and encouraging them not to come to Saddleback College. This needs to be addressed with both college presidents, our counseling department, as well as local HS counselors and principals.

Paula Jacobs shared that Terry Whitt was honored with a humanitarian award from the Community College Association. Congratulations Terry!

6. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

A. Board Meetings/ District/ Chancellor
   See President’s Report.

7. ADOPTION OF CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

No items.

8. OLD BUSINESS

A. Approval of Faculty to Sit on Committees

Jeanne Smith moved, it was seconded by Jody Cochrane and passed by voice vote that the list of faculty to sit on Committees be approved.

B. Accreditation – Substantive Change

The school is waiting for approval from WASC for submitted report.

B1. ATEP – Position statement about ATEP by faculty
General discussion took place by senators about economic demands of ATEP on district, programs at ATEP, the ATEP provost soliciting programs from the two colleges and what the Saddleback College Academic Senate position is on ATEP.

There existed a general consensus of the senators present to draft a resolution recommending an abandonment of the current ATEP configuration and ATEP funding process to the district. The Senate executive committee will invite ATEP representatives to be present when this issue is discussed again.

Senators are encouraged to solicit input from their divisions on this issue.

C. Board Policies/Administrative Regulations

Bob Cosgrove relayed slight changes to the proposed Distance Ed BP/AR (see attached).

Mike Merrifield moved, it was seconded by Jo Ann Alford and passed by voice vote that the changes to the BP/AR be brought forward to the BPAR Committee.

D. Wellness Center – St. Joseph’s Hospital

General discussion took place by senators about potential partnership.

Concerns included:

- Duplication of courses already offered by Kinesiology
- Where located (including parking & access)
- The need for faculty in any discussions and potential negotiations
- That various presentations by St Joseph’s to the campus constituency groups has been inconsistent

The Senate will re-visit this issue as more information becomes available.

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. Academic Senate Scholarship Foundation

Bob Cosgrove encouraged senators to donate to the Senate Scholarship fund.

B. Disciplines List Revisions

There is confusion as to point of proposed resolution and goals of resolution at the State Academic Senate level. Attendees at upcoming Area D meeting will collect additional clarification.

C. ASG Mascot Resolution

Tabled until next meeting.
D. Tenure Review

Bob Cosgrove recommended that all new faculty hires have a mentor group for the tenure process. The Senate will re-visit this issue in the future.

E. Director of Educational Development – New Position

The new position being put forward by the President of the College to the Board of Trustees for approval was not the position discussed and negotiated at earlier meetings between faculty and administration. The new position includes BSI as recommended by the Academic Senate and administration of the LAP – not part of the earlier discussions. The Senate Executive Committee has been directed to invite President Burnett and VPI Rajen Vurdien to explain and discuss this issue at the next full Senate meeting.

F. Instructional Grievance

Discussion as to if an Instructional Grievance form is needed (or allowed) for the students. Howard Gensler spoke in favor of the form as it could potentially avoid students filing Federal discrimination complaints. The Senate will investigate this further.

G. Grade Policy

Howard Gensler pointed out that at the state level, there is legal direction that you cannot fail a student for an entire class for cheating, only for the item that they were caught cheating on. This is contrary to the Saddleback College posted policies. The Senate will investigate this further.

H. Nominations for AS Committee Chairs

Mikki Mikolajczak will coordinate an effort to solicit committee chairs for Senate standing committees.

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Executive
   No report.

B. Senate Standing Committee
   No report.

C. College, Division & District Committee
   No report.

11. DIVISION REPORTS

   No report.

12. CONSTITUENCY GROUP REPORTS
A. Faculty Association
No report.

B. Student Government
No report.

C. Classified Staff
No report.

13. ADJOURNMENT
The meeting was adjourned at 4:01 pm.

HANDOUTS DISTRIBUTED WITH AGENDA
Agenda Item 4.A.1 Minutes from March 3, 2010
Agenda Item 6.A.1 Memo to the Senate for March 24, 2010 from the Senate President
Agenda Item 8.A.1 Approval of faculty to sit on the following committees
Agenda Item 8.C.1 AR 6XXX Distance Education
Agenda Item 8.D.1 St. Joseph’s Wellness Center/Saddleback College Proposal
Agenda Item 9.B.1 ASCCC Disciplines List Revisions
Agenda Item 9.C.1 ASG Mascot Resolution
Agenda Item 9.E.1 Director of Educational Development
Agenda Item 9.G.1 CCCCO System Office Legal Opinion (Black 1995)