

Fullerton College Faculty Senate  
Approved Minutes

February 3, 2011

Present

Business.....	Nancy Woolridge
Counseling.....	Laura Almodovar-Sole, Bryan Ouchi
Fine Arts.....	Markus Burger, Carl Stanaway,
Humanities.....	Joe Carrithers, Brandon Floerke, Kim Orlijan, Rosalinda Ruiz
Library.....	David Brown
Math/Computer Science.....	Dana Clahane, Joshua Danufsky, Arlene Larios
Natural Sciences.....	Jan Chadwick, Carolyn Heath
Part-Time Faculty.....	Roger Perez
Physical Education.....	Tim Byrnes, Robin Conrad
Social Sciences.....	Josh Ashenmiller, Julie Felender
Student Services.....	
Technology/Engineering.....	Jose Miranda
At-large.....	Gayle Cebrian, Dale Craig, Rebecca Morgan, Mary Nolan-Riegle, Sharon Portman, Pete Snyder
Associated Students.....	
President.....	Marcus Wilson
President-elect.....	Sean Chamberlin
Secretary.....	Jane Troop
Treasurer.....	Sam Foster
At-large, (Curriculum Chair).....	
Part-Time.....	Jim Book
Social Sciences.....	Ricardo Salas

Visitors: Toni DuBois, Paul McKinley

Absent:

Associated Students.....	Johnwilly Osuji
Business/CIS.....	Paul St. John
Fine Arts.....	Jaime Perez
Humanities.....	Tamara Trujillo
Senate Exec.....	Jennifer Combs
Technology.....	Peg Donohoe

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:05 p.m. by Dr. Wilson.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

M/S/U (Almodóvar-Solé/Chamberlin) to approve the Minutes of December 3, 2010

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

M/S/U (Clahane/Chamberlin) to approve the agenda for this meeting.

IV. Public Comment

None

V. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS

President's Report

Joint Senate/Union Meeting—The four topics discussed were:

(1) The Role of the District in Distance Education

Dr. Wilson reported that this had been discussed and the conclusion was that it should not have a role other than providing infrastructural support. The District will have servers and register students.

(2) The Role of SCE

Should it be considered to be evolving into a college without walls? The group indicated that the District did not need a third college and that SCE should focus on better serving student's basic skills.

(3) What is the Best Way to Direct Basic Skills?

SCE should work on the lower level, and the colleges should work on the higher levels.

The success rate in the lower levels of basic skills is very low at the college level. Everything we have been doing for forty years has not worked. Only 8 percent of those taking lower level math will ever make it to college math. In English, it is 12 percent. We are looking for ways to realign our resources to improve student success in this area. Discussion ensued.

(4) What Role should the District have in Grants?

Dr. Wilson reported that since grants are not made available to *districts*, and the District has no faculty per se, it was decided that the District's role is compliance and notification. Since the college has one less Dean, there should be enough money for a grant writer.

**Student Achievement Summit**—It was well attended, and the Trustees who attended were apparently pleasantly impressed. It is what faculty do above and beyond the classroom that makes the difference. Dr. Wilson recruited Senators to do presentations on their extracontractual activities during the public comments session of the Board of Trustees meetings starting February 28.

**PAC**—The President wanted a task force to improve student success since we have years of data showing a lack of improvement and many small programs that are focused on student success. It was the feeling in PAC that we can't keep creating more committees. He felt we should have some type of orientation for approximately one thousand students in the fall where the students will take Counseling 50 and reviews for English and math for the placement tests. They would also be given preferential scheduling. We are more successful if we get students right out of high school. It was felt that we should use people who are already on committees that are tasked with improving student success. Discussion ensued.

**Diversity Committee**—It is the sense of the Senate that Erica Bennett be nominated for the Stanbach/Stroud award.

The Diversity Committee would like to refocus its mission to be less involved in creating diversity activities and more advising on policy. Dr. Wilson and Dr. Chamberlin objected to the wording of their revised mission that stated that the committee is responsible for making recommendations to the PAC on diversity issues that affect the success of FC students.

They objected by stating that the Senate Equity Committee is responsible for making policy recommendations for student success. They brought back another version to allow them to focus on diversity issues and make recommendations to PAC based on the student experience at FC related to diversity but preserving the rule of the Equity Committee on student success. As the wording continues to go back and forth, the position of Drs. Chamberlin and Wilson and other faculty members in PAC will remain the same.

It is the sense of the Senate that the Senate's position be to support the revised version of the Diversity Committee.

**Tech Plan**—The Senators received copies of this prior to the Senate meeting. The plan indicates that we need some fundamental improvement in our infrastructure (switches, routers, and so on).

If we are going to buy anything this year, we must do it before the purchasing deadline. A price list should be put together for the items that we feel should be included as part of the infrastructure.

Treasurer's Report

Those faculty bringing snacks were thanked.

VI. CURRICULUM COMMITTEE REPORT

It is important that those who have subject matter in the new 1440 degrees to keep an eye on the models that come to us so that we can fast tract these so that they will be ready by the end of the year.

VII. ELECTIONS

The following were elected:

Staff Development Committee ..... Markus Berger  
Institutional Research Committee ..... Diana Kyle  
Institutional Research Committee .....Sean Chamberlin  
Institutional Research Committee ..... Jan Chadwick  
Institutional Research Committee ..... Pete Snyder  
Institutional Research Committee ..... Mary Nolan

Men and Women of Distinction Committee.....Rebecca Morgan  
Men and Women of Distinction Committee..... Nancy Woolridge

Evaluation Committee for Olivia Veloz ..... Tim Byrnes

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

**Budget**— If everything goes well, the District cut will be about \$12 million; if not, the District will take about an \$18 million cut. The best case scenario is that we cut \$5.5 million of classes; the worst case is that we cut \$9.5 in classes.

These are very fundamental changes in course offerings. We have about \$8.8 million of available one-time funds and about \$4 million of ongoing funds. The Board of Trustees is holding both reserves for a rainy day.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

**Limitations on Public Comment**—Joe Carrithers mentioned holding limitations on public comments. Discussion ensued about who can address the Senate and for how long.

M/S/U (Craig/Almodóvar-Solé) That the Senate implement a public comment system similar to the Board of Trustees where the person who wants to make a public comment is given a piece of paper and writes the topic on it. If the topic is already on the agenda, the individual can indicate that the comment is to be made when the topic is being discussed. The comment is still limited to three minutes. The discussion can always be stopped. No public comments will be accepted unless they are submitted in writing. If the topic is already an agenda item, a comment can be made at that point in the meeting.

**Mission Statement**—It is the sense of the Senate that the college should revisit its mission statement.

**BP 4225, Course Repetition**—The Senate will support BP 4225 which allows repetition of three times before some type of intervention takes place.

**Professors Emeriti**—The Senate grants Emeritus status to the retired teachers listed in the motion below:

M/S/U (Chamberlin/Foster) to grant emeritus status to the following individuals: David Hagen, Marciano Martinez, Edgar Oglesby, and John Orr.

**Wait List Issue**—Wait lists created much work for those who teach online classes. They could not drop people from the attendance roster who are on the wait list.

**Campus Grading Management Software**—This will be put on the agenda for the next Senate meeting.

X. LIAISON REPORTS

**Associated Students**—No report.

**United Faculty**—No report.

**Adjunct Faculty United**—No report.

**Accreditation Self-Study**—The names of the people who are on the accreditation visitation team are available now.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Troop,  
Faculty Senate Secretary