

FULLERTON COLLEGE FACULTY SENATE
approved minutes
4 October 2012

present, according to sign-in sheet

At-Large	Dale Craig, Liz Kiszely, Pete Snyder
Business/CIS	Marcus Wilson, Nancy Woolridge
Counseling	Laura Almodóvar-Solé; Bryan Ouchi
Fine Arts	Jamie Perez
Humanities	Joe Carrithers, Angela Henderson; Cathy Collopy-O'Donnel
Library	Jane Ishibashi
Math/Comp. Sci.	Linda Shideler, Cheryl Duhme
Natural Sci.	Mike Baker; Jan Chadwick
Part-time	Josh Troesh
Physical Ed.	Tim Byrnes, Pam Lewin
Social Sciences	Robert Byde; Julie Felender
Student Services	vacant
Tech./Engineering	Jose Miranda, Peg Donahoe
Associated Students	Alex Trigueros
Senate President	Rolando Sanabria
President-Elect	Sam Foster
Curriculum Council	Jennifer Combs
Treasurer	Mary Nolan-Riegle
Secretary	Brandon Floerke
Guests	SLOA Coordinator, Ken Collins Campus Safety, Jim McKamy

I CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:03pm by Sanabria.

II APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Because the minutes were sent out late to the senators, approval of the 20 September minutes was postponed until next meeting.

III APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

M/S/U (Wilson/Combs) to approve the agenda for this meeting.

IV PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jim McKamy from Campus Safety shared details about FC's participation in the California Shake-Out. Intended to increase our preparedness in case of an emergency (especially an earthquake), the event will take place on 18 October @ 10:18 am. All staff will receive detailed email instructions.

V EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS

President's report

- A. Senator Wilson asked for clarification about the agenda item regarding priority registration. He recalled that FC had already approved the recommendations. However, many other senators believed that we never formally voted. Although we had a great deal of discussion about various models of priority registration, the formal proposal from the district workgroup did not get past a first reading.
- B. A new district workgroup has been formed to look at the district allocation model. Sanabria anticipates that this will be a long process. President-Elect, Foster is on the committee and has attended the first meeting.
- C. Sanabria informed the senate that he received a PowerPoint presentation from the district regarding the flow of information. He was asked to pass this information along, and he has done so, via email.

Treasurer's Report

- A. Nolan-Riegle thanked the senators that provided the senate with food and drink.

VIII CURRICULUM COMMITTEE REPORT

- A. Fullerton College is currently number one in the state for creation of AA-T and AS-T degrees ("Transfer Degrees"). The state average is two to four degrees, and thanks to the tireless efforts of our curriculum committee, we have completed eighteen.
- B. The committee continues to be very busy with course proposals related to the changes in repeatability of courses.
- C. The deadline to launch revised programs is 1 November.

VI ELECTIONS

Peg Donahue was elected to serve on the Program Review Committee.

VII OLD BUSINESS

- A. SLOA Update

Collins reported that September was the month for course-level SLO's. The division representatives have been verifying the accuracy of SLO's on the website. Almost all of our courses have SLO's.

October is the month for program SLO's. There is much work to do in this area. The committee is working with division to write summaries of the data. Collins emphasized that the committee is not collecting information on individual instructors. Faculty members keep the assessments and the data. The division SLO coordinators should collect samples of the assessment tools and samples of student work that represents both "meets" and "does not meet" SLO's. Collins explained that he is attempting to be conscientious about how the data is handled and by whom. His strategy is to "limit which eyes can see the data." Only the assessing faculty, the division SLO coordinator, and the Campus SLO coordinator will have direct access to data.

On 2 November representatives from the State Academic Senate will have an open meeting at our campus to discuss SLO's.

When asked to speculate about whether we will be successful in meeting our SLO goals, Collins indicated that he believed we would be "close." Carrithers noted that our goal is to be "proficient," and proficiency is not defined as being 100%.

VIII NEW BUSINESS

A. District Wide SLO Committee.

At the 20 September 2012 meeting, the senate agreed in theory to a district wide SLO committee. Dale Craig reported that the Senates from SCE and Cypress agreed to the idea. The goal of the committee is to protect faculty members by defining the processes in a minimal way, not to dictate how faculty should handle their SLO's but to create some agreement about basic guidelines for the process. If faculty are expected to participate in the process (as the union contract says) then we need some basic agreement about those processes, so the union can defend faculty. The senate appointed Mike Baker, Ken Collins, and Jose Miranda to represent Fullerton College on this committee.

B. Priority Registration

M/S/A (Wilson/Nolan-Riegle) with five against and one abstention to approve the DCC Work Group Recommendation on Priority Registration.

Kiszely raised objections to Tier 3 (priority for students participating in athletics programs). The rationale for student athletes to receive priority has been that they have to establish eligibility by enrolling in twelve units, and that they have to work around a demanding practice schedule. Kiszely observed that many non-athletes face similarly demanding schedules because of work and families. She also claimed it was unfair to place athletes above honors students. She also claimed it was unfair

to place athletes above honors students who cannot complete the program for lack of access to regular classes.

This ignited a prolonged discussion of the possible merits of maintaining registration priority for athletes. The arguments included the following: the requirement on athletes to meet transfer requirements in two years in order to be eligible to play at the university level; transfer/achievement gap numbers are much better for athletes than their peers¹; athletes represent a very small population of students (300-400), so their priority is not likely to have a large impact on other students; and other NCAA restrictions make it very difficult to have athletic programs without granting the athletes priority registration.

Other objections were raised about the recommendations. Almodóvar-Solé was concerned that tiers one through three all require students to have education plans, since this could put undue strain on the counselors. Chadwick found it difficult to judge the fairness of this recommendation without a sense of how many students fell in each tier. Felender was concerned that tier ten (which includes students who have completed more than 100 units) was stricter than the state recommendations. Foster responded that there are no FC programs that require more than 100 units; therefore, there should be no ill effects to students who are transfer bound. Some senators thought that the vote should be postponed until our next meeting so that more data could be gathered.

After much debate the question was called (Wilson/Baker).

C. BP 3720-Computer and Electronic Communication Systems

M/S/U (Wilson/Felender) to oppose BP3720 until privacy and workplace issues are resolved.

Faculty expressed many concerns about this proposed Board Policy. What kind of surveillance? How would it be implemented? Would this include secret surveillance?

Sanabria encouraged faculty to email their specific concerns directly to him, so that he could compile a list of objections.

¹ When asked to provide evidence that student athletes had better achievement and transfer outcomes, PE faculty referred us to the Smart Tool Companion Report for the California Community College Athletics Association from July 2011. The report studied student athletes in the state (not Fullerton specifically) and concluded, among other things, that “Student athletes have higher education outcomes than comparison students.”

IX LIAISON REPORTS

Associated Students

Alex Trigueros found the meeting very interesting, and he looks forward to working with faculty.

United Faculty

There will be a union open house in room 229 at Fullerton College on October 10: 2pm open members meeting; 3pm UF Board meeting.

Adjunct faculty

No report.

The meeting adjourned at 4:46.

Respectfully submitted,
Brandon Floerke
Secretary