



I CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:00P, or thereabouts, by Pres. Sam Foster.

II APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

M/S/U (Fouquette/Markley) to approve the 6-Nov 14 minutes.

III APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

M/S/U (Markley/Craig) to approve the agenda for this meeting.

IV PUBLIC COMMENTS

Transfer Center Director Cecilia Arriaza asked faculty members to inform their students that 30-Nov 14 is the application deadline for CSUs and UCs. She also announced the date for the annual WorldFest celebration of peoples, cultures and the earth, 23-Apr 15.

Diana Kyle is coordinating the annual KinderCaminata, which is scheduled for 17-Apr 15. All faculty members are encouraged to help their departments in offering career stations at KinderCaminata, which will also align with Common Core. There will also be a KinderCaminata workshop for parents that focuses on ways that parents can help their children succeed in school and college financial aid. We want all parents to know the door to a college education is open to their children.

V EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS

**President's report, Sam Foster**

Everything Sam wants to report on is already an agenda item, so he will wait until each item comes up.

**Treasurer's Report**

Kim Orlijan thanked Flor Huerta, Laura Melella, Greg Nguyen, and Bryan Ouchi for catering the meeting.

VI CURRICULUM COMMITTEE REPORT, Jennifer Combs

For the 2016-17 catalogue the deadline for pre-launching proposals on CurricUNET is 2-Feb 15, which is also the deadline for pre-launching six-year reviews. The launch deadline is 20-Apr 15. New State regulations make these very hard deadlines, so please don't miss them.

As always, if you have questions or need assistance please contact your division curriculum rep, or email Rachel Roschel or me for help.

VII PROGRAM REVIEW COMMITTEE REPORT, Jan Chadwick

Academic program self-studies are due tomorrow, Fri., 21-Nov 14.

Using the Program Review process, the Planning and Budgeting Steering Committee has allocated \$509,379 for instructional equipment.

VP Richard Storti reported that the PBSC had an overall instructional equipment budget of \$2.2M this year. \$800,000 was earmarked for upgrading 12-year-old computers. \$500,000 was earmarked for network improvements, such as wifi.

VIII INSTITUTIONAL RESEARCH AND EFFECTIVENESS COMMITTEE REPORT, Diana Kyle

The Institutional Review Board (IRB) that is under the umbrella of the IREC is working on ethical guidelines for classroom research projects. When the final guidelines are completed they will be shared with the Senate and the campus community. Sandi Layana, La Vista/La Sierra High School Principal, is the new community board member on the IRB. This gives the IRB a full membership.

IX ELECTIONS

Student Equity Committee (2014-16): **Mary Bogan (Hum.), Amber González (Soc. Sci.)**

Hiring Committee, VP of Student Services: **Jennifer Combs (Couns.), Leonor Cadena (Soc. Sci.), Robert Gamboa (Couns.), Flor Huerta (Couns.)**

Hiring Committee, Dean of Fine Arts: **Deborah Davidson, Tony Mazzaferro, Steve Pliska, John Tebay, (the lot of them Fine Arts)**

District Technology Committee (2014-16): **Gary Graves (Bus./CIS)**

Accreditation Self-Study Faculty Co-Chair: **Danielle Fouquette (Hum.)**

Hiring Committee, Chancellor: **Sam Foster (Fac. Sen. Pres.)**

X OLD BUSINESS

**Proposed changes to AP/BP 4020: Program and Curriculum Development**

Jennifer Combs represented the FC Curriculum Committee last week at 14-Nov 14 District Curriculum Coordinating Committee (DCCC) meeting. She informed DCCC that the FC Faculty Senate was opposed to any changes that undermined the pedagogical emphasis in curriculum development and/or shifted curriculum decision making from each college and SCE to the District. So far, the DCCC has not acted on the proposed changes. DCCC members agreed to continue this discussion at future meetings and recognized that the Academic Senates must be consulted.

**The Pilot BA Decision**

DCCC also recommended that the Board apply for the state pilot BA program by submitting the Fullerton College BA in Law Enforcement Supervision. Instead, the Board chose to submit the Cypress College BA in Mortuary Science. Senators felt the Board's decision violated the language in Title V of the State Education Code and its own published Board Policy to "rely primarily on faculty for curriculum decisions." The only exception to this rule is if a faculty curriculum decision poses a clear legal or financial risk. The Board did

not identify any such risk. Senators expressed concern that this action will make it difficult to comply with accreditation standards, particularly those that deal with planning and governance. Work on the next accreditation self-study begins in the Spring 2015 semester.

Senators felt misled by the stated procedure for choosing a Pilot BA Degree, which indicated that the Board would vote in favor of the DCCC's recommendation. Indeed, the agenda of the 11-Nov 14 Board meeting seemed to confirm this.<sup>1</sup> If necessary, Senators will request an audio recording, transcript, or minutes of the 11-Nov 14 Board meeting. Senators made plans to attend the next Board meeting, 25-Nov 14, to state their case during the public comments period. Senators encourage all faculty members to attend the Board meeting, and please get there on time, 5:30P.

M/S/U (Markley/Cadena) that the Senate requests a written explanation for the departure from Board policy in making the Pilot BA Degree decision, one that explains the extenuating circumstances that justify NOT relying primarily on faculty when making a major decision that affects curriculum. Senate requests that the written explanation answer why the Board violated Title V, its own policies, and the procedures they put in place to make the BA Pilot Program decision.

#### XI NEW BUSINESS

##### **On-line instruction, technology committee**

It came to the attention of some Senators that at recent District meetings there was a memo proposing guidelines and standards for on-line teaching. Apparently, this memo was intended for the District Technology Committee, which currently does not have a Fullerton College faculty representative. No action was taken.

Senators expressed concern that this memo portended a procedural violation. Teaching standards fall squarely within the purview of faculty, not District staff. District technology bodies are supposed to provide faculty with on-line platforms and technical support. Discussing and devising instructional rules or course content in a technology committee would clearly violate Board policies and long-standing procedures.

M/S/U (Wilson/Fouquette) that the Senate president write a letter to the Board of Trustees, asking it to direct the Vice Chancellor of Educational Services and Technology not to bypass the campuses' curriculum processes by making curriculum recommendations to District technology work groups.

Senators discussed other issues with on-line teaching standards in light of upcoming accreditation.

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<sup>1</sup> If you read closely, you can see that the Board's published minutes admitted that its decision departed from the DCCC recommendation; viz., "The Board amended the recommendation from the District Curriculum Coordinating Committee and the Chancellor to submit an 'intent to apply' to the State Chancellor's Office for the Baccalaureate Degree Pilot Program, and approved the submittal of Cypress College's Mortuary Science Program." See <http://www.nocccd.edu/Trustees/documents/NewsfromtheBoard11.11.14.pdf>, 21-Nov 14.

M/S/U (Wilson/Fouquette) that after the Accreditation co-chairs are chosen by the College president, the Chair will form a work group to study new ACCJC standards for on-line instruction (in Section II), and to make recommendations to the Curriculum Committee and the Senate about how the College can meet the standards.

**Report from the Plenary Session of the State Academic Senate (ASCCC)**

Tabled until 4-Dec 14.

XII LIAISON REPORTS

**Associated Students**

No report.

**United Faculty**

Negotiations with the District have begun. Calendar is the first issue. For example, next year Veterans' Day Holiday might actually happen on Veterans' Day, rather than on the nearest Monday.

**Adjunct faculty**

No report.

The meeting adjourned at 5:05P.

Respectfully submitted,  
Josh Ashenmiller  
secretary