

The De Anza Academic Senate

Approved Notes from the Meeting of April 24th, 2017

Senators and Officers present: Balm, Clem, Cruz, Deck, Delas, Dolen, Donahue, Hertler, Kalpin, Karmi, Klingman, Kragalott, Liu, Malek, Mello, Mjelde, Nguyen, Pape, Stockwell, Subramaniam, Sullivan, Tracey, Walton, and Wethington

Senators and Officers Absent: Levy, Miskin, Setziol, and Vargas

DASB:

FA Liaison: Bob Stockwell

Classified Senate:

Curriculum Co Chair: Ram Subramaniam

Administrative Liaison:

Director of Diversity, Social Justice, and Multicultural Ed.:

Guests: Melissa Aguilar

[NOTE: Item numbers are reflective of agenda numbers in the order they are actually taken up at the meeting.]

The meeting was called together at 4:33, a quorum being present.

I. Welcome: Cruz stated that in honor of International Worker's Day on Monday, May 1st and to allow senators and officers to take part in May Day actions, the senate would not meet that day. Information about the actions in our area will be sent by Cruz to the body.

II. Adoption of agenda and approval of April 17 notes: Both were adopted and approved without comment.

III. Needs and Confirmations: Nguyen made a call for participation on the Model Syllabi Review Adhoc Committee, as well as the OER (Open Educational Resources) Advisory Committee. Mary Donahue and Paul Klingman volunteered for the Model Syllabi Committee, Cecilia Deck volunteered for the OER committee.

Confirmation: Bob Stockwell was approved for the Program Assistant II position (VIDA) hiring committee.

IV. Public Comment – No public comment provided.

V. Action Items

A. 2017 Federal Policy and State Legislation

Nguyen and Cruz provided information on both updates on federal and state legislation. On the federal side, Nguyen referenced the email that

Chancellor Miner sent about the cuts the federal administration is planning to both Pell Grant program and Federal Work-Study programs. Dolen commented that about 75% of student library employees are work-study recipients and this would have an impact on both the library and students. Nguyen and Stockwell discussed scheduling meetings with members of Congress in their local district offices to take up these and other issues affecting community colleges.

In terms of state legislation, Nguyen provided an overview of some bills currently being considered by the state legislature related to community colleges, more specifically pertaining to providing the first year of community college tuition free (AB 19), protecting undocumented students on our campuses (AB 21), and SB 796 which would expand the baccalaureate degree program to more colleges, including possibly De Anza.

Clem and Stockwell volunteered to work with other senators and officers on both legislative and grassroots advocacy on these issues.

VI. Discussion/Information

- A. Starfish/Early Alert: Cruz provided an update on Starfish and the team efforts, which include that the kickoff event occurred, and that Kalpin, Pape, Karmi, Nguyen, and Cruz are part of the Starfish team. We are currently meeting weekly to determine the program scope and goals, one of which includes an initial pilot focusing on students on campus in basic skills classes.
- B. Student Success Center Presentation: Guest Aguilar provided information about the services that the Student Success Center provides, including tutoring and teaching student success skills. They also have All Tutor Equity Training, Learning Assistance, and Peer Tutoring. Aguilar then led the Senate on an activity where she passed out images of students and had groups of faculty try to make some observations about them. Afterwards, she told us more about the individuals highlighted and it was clear that some assumptions were correct and others weren't. Lastly, Aguilar discussed Smart Thinking online tutoring and how we are moving to Net Tutor with the transition to Canvas. Pape wanted to know if they can try asking questions of tutors so they can see what kind of responses they give to students.
- C. 2017 Spring Plenary Report – a summary report was passed out to the senators and Cruz highlighted the state requirements by this Fall for our campus to publish updated Advanced Placement (AP) local rules and applicability to GE courses. We as a campus also need to decide on what we will do with predicted savings from switching to Canvas this summer.

VII. Reports

Nguyen reported that IPBT has published the final Instructional Equipment list which contains the awarded amounts and requested items from programs on

campus. This can be found on the IPBT webpage. Cruz reminded Nguyen to bring up the institutional metrics for driving enrollment to IPBT and/or the Enrollment Advisory Team.

Cruz and Klingman discussed the upcoming Senate Officer election, where we are seeking candidates for President (1 year), Executive Secretary/Treasurer (3 year term), and Part-Time Senator (2 year term). Candidate statements are due Monday, May 1st to Paul Klingman.

Pape's SLO report – The newsletter was sent out to Divisions. SLO workshops are being offered. She also reminded the Senators about the Learning Outcomes Assessment Cycle Award nominations.

Cruz and Senators also discussed plans to celebrate Setziol's many years of service to De Anza and the Senate, asking Senators to save the date, Friday, June 9th, for a celebration, likely at a restaurant or hall nearby.

VIII. Meeting Evaluation: Kalpin agreed with Pape that online tutoring should allow instructors to assess the information tutors are providing to students. Balm said something to consider if how currently students wait 3-4 hours to connect with an online tutor, so faculty inquiries could slow the system down. Stockwell said he appreciated the plenary and legislative updates.

IX. Good of the Order: Donahue advertised the Outdoor Club's trip to the Grand Tetons this August 21 and invited faculty to attend. Stockwell shared the Queer and Now conference, April 27, 10:30 to 12:30, California History Center as well as the Faculty Association Retirement/Benefits workshop, May 5, 10:30 to 4:00, Conference Rooms A and B. Nguyen, on behalf of Sullivan (needed to leave early) shared several items/events: Psychological Services beginning week of May 1st will be conducting Support Groups, MTThF 12:00-12:50 in Psychological Services office. Health Zone event, May 18th, 11:30 to 1:30, Sunken Garden. Cannabis – Come Get Answers: Monday, May 15, 11:30-1:30, conference rooms A and B. Get a free T-Shirt at healthy relationships/relationship violence event, April 27, 11:30 to 1:30, bottom of the Main Quad Stairs.

The meeting adjourned at 4:34 PM.