

Reedley College Academic Senate Minutes
Tuesday, April 22, 2014 (2:00-3:30PM)
Reedley Campus LRC 104 | Madera Center AV1-101D

1. Meeting Called to Order 2:03pm with quorum.

Officers		Present	Absent
<i>President</i>	Stephanie Curry	X	
<i>V.P. for Senate Bus.</i>	Rick Garza	X	
<i>V.P. for Curriculum</i>	Pam Gilmore	X	
<i>Secretary</i>	Emily Berg	X	
<i>Rep. to ASCCC</i>	Lore Dobusch	X	
<i>M.O.F.A.</i>	Kristen Mattox	X	
<i>Immediate Past Pres.</i>	Jeff Ragan*	X	

Guests:	
Cheryl Hesse	
Jan Dekker	
Eileen Apperson-Williams	

Department	Senator	Present	Absent	Department	Senator	Present	Absent
<i>Adjunct Fac. (1)</i>	Vacant		X	<i>Fine Arts & Soc. Sci. (1)</i>	G. Cartwright	X	
<i>AG & Nat Resources (1)</i>	D. Lopes	X		<i>Fine Arts & Soc. Sci. (2)</i>	D. Richardson		X
<i>Auxiliary (1)</i>	Vacant		X	<i>Science & Tech. (1)</i>	R. Fleuridor	X	
<i>Business (1)</i>	E. Sandoval	X		<i>Science & Tech. (2)</i>	Vacant		X
<i>Business (2)</i>	F. Underwood	X		<i>Phys. Ed. & Health (1)</i>	J. Hacker		X
<i>Business (3)</i>	Vacant		X	<i>Phys. Ed. & Health (2)</i>	B. Fonseca	X	
<i>Comp., Lit. & Comm. (1)</i>	K. Watts	X		<i>Phys. Ed. & Health (3)</i>	Vacant		X
<i>Comp., Lit. & Comm. (2)</i>	R. LaSalle	X		<i>Industrial Tech. (1)</i>	J. Asman		X
<i>Comp., Lit. & Comm. (3)</i>	R. Synder	X		<i>Math & Tech (1)</i>	C. Montgomery		X
				<i>Math & Tech (2)</i>	J. Gilmore	X	
<i>Counseling (1)</i>	G. Spear	X					
<i>Counseling (2)</i>	S. Trimble		X	<i>Reading & Lang. (1)</i>	J. Zigler	X	
<i>Counseling (3)</i>	C. Bos		X	<i>Reading & Lang. (2)</i>	F. Amezola	X	

***Bill Turini, proxy for Jeff Ragan**

2. Public Comment. None.
3. Roll Call / Review of Senate Members and Guests.
4. Consideration of April 8, 2014 minutes.
 Amend roster to add Bill Turini as a guest.
 Garza: move to approve as amended; second: Zigler. Approved.
5. Amend agenda, if necessary. N/A.
 Motion to move item 10.1, Dual Enrollment Update, to discuss immediately after vote due to Jan Dekker's schedule.
 Zigler: move to approve; second: Turini. Approved.
6. Department Reports
 No report.

7. Committee Reports

District Standing Committees

- Communications Council

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- Strategic Planning for District-wide Facilities Committee
- Information System Advisory Committee
- District Strategic Planning
- District Budget Resource Allocation Advisory Committee

District Ad Hoc Committees

- AR 7120 Review
- District Staffing Plan Taskforce (B. Turini)
- District Decision Making Task Force
- District Technology Taskforce

Academic Senate Standing Committees

- Academic Standards
- Curriculum (P. Gilmore)
- Equivalency (S. Curry)
- Faculty Professional Development (Flex)
 - (Garza): Susan Amador, the Title V Coordinator, says that Title V has money set aside for speakers and wants to discuss opportunities to bring in a speaker for Flex Day. I will forward more information to the committee once I get it.
 - (P. Gilmore): It would be difficult to get a sizable audience during Flex Day for the speaker.

Academic Senate Ad Hoc Committees

- Constitution and By Laws Review Ad Hoc Committee;
 - (Garza): The committee has been formed (Kristen Mattox; Jay Leech; Kate Watts; Bill Turini) and will start meeting soon.

State Center Federation of Teachers (A.F.T. Local 1533)

College Ad Hoc Committees

- Educational Master Plan

College Committees

- Accreditation
- Distance Education
- Program Review
- Sabbatical Leave
- Salary Advancement
- Strategic Planning

Reedley Campus Committees

- Budget
- College Council
- Facilities
- Health and Safety
- Staff Development
- Student Conduct
- Student Success

8. Old Business

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8.1 AR 7120 Procedures for Recruitment and Employment of Full-Time College Faculty (referred by the Communications Council).

(Garza): At the last meeting, Jim Gilmore brought up the concern that this may open up an “either/or” position loop hole. I looked at the language, and it does not seem to open up for that situation.

(Curry): We do have the option to reopen this if needed.

Garza: move to approve; second: P. Gilmore. Approved.

8.2 SCCCD Strategic Information Technology Plan (referred by the Communications Council).

Garza: move to approve; second: Cartwright. Approved.

8.3 Reedley College Facilities Committee COA (referred by the College Council).

(Curry): This was a minor change to add more faculty positions and a few slight changes to the purpose.

Dobusch: move to approve; second: Amezola. Approved.

8.4 Reedley College Program Review Committee COA (referred by the Program Review Committee).

(Curry): This was a change to match the program review handbook approved recently.

P. Gilmore: move to approve; second: Sandoval. Approved.

8.5 Reedley College Student Learning Outcome Committee COA (referred by the Program Review Committee).

(Apperson): Because of the changes with the Program Review and SLO committees, the ILO task force will be handed over to this committee, which was operating as a sub-committee of the Program Review.

(P. Gilmore): As I mentioned before, the proliferation of committees on this campus makes scheduling the meetings very difficult. If we need a committee for SLOs, I would like, as Curriculum Chair, some instruction about we should do about SLOs in the Curriculum Committee. If the SLOs are taken away from Curriculum, that is fine, but it is redundant to have multiple committees looks at SLOs.

(Apperson): The SLO committee would be taking what the ILO task force had started and continuing with that, looking mostly at how courses and programs feed into ILOs and how we are assessing our institution.

(Turini): Looking at the purpose statement of this COA, the first bullet point references implementation of SLOs at the course level, which belongs at the Curriculum committee; the bullet points below that definitely do not fall in the jurisdiction of the Curriculum committee. The first bullet point might create some cross-jurisdictional issues.

(P. Gilmore): Aren't we also concerned about our original concerns about SLOs and reporting?

(Apperson): I think that has always been the concern of the sub-committee; the number of faculty on this committee will keep it going in the right direction.

(Turini): Has there been any comments about the jurisdiction of this committee? As long as it is under the jurisdiction of the Academic Senate rather than the college, I am comfortable with it.

(Apperson): No.

(Curry): This committee falls under the auspices of 10 +1, so it does belong under the jurisdiction of the Academic Senate.

(P. Gilmore): There are some Curriculum committee members who would like to see SLOs removed from the Curriculum committee's jurisdiction.

Garza: move to approve; second: Dobusch. Approved.

8.6 SCCC Human Resources Plan

(Curry): This is more a philosophy than a plan.

(J. Gilmore): I still think there are some areas that should have been covered in this plan, like how to move faculty around. The concept of “right-sizing” is missing from this plan.

(Turini): I don’t think that it can address this issue. At least from the faculty perspective, that is a contractual matter.

(La Salle): What does the contract say about that?

(Turini): There’s voluntary and involuntary transfers. Voluntary is the lateral transfer we have always worked with; involuntary is a management right.

(J. Gilmore): In the same college, or between colleges?

(Turini): With a college with multiple locations, then it is not a contractual matter at all. That is a scheduling issue.

(Garza): I am still concerned about the lack of a consistent term to refer to colleges with multiple locations in these documents.

Garza: move to approve with the recommendation that they clarify the definitions of campus/college/center/sites; second: Berg.

Opposed: Zigler; J. Gilmore.

Abstentions: Sandoval; Fleuridor; Lopes; Fonseca.

Approved with the recommendation.

9. New Business

None.

10. Informational Items

10.1 Dual Enrollment Update

(Dekker): I have written a proposal to the Executive Committee to begin an Advisory Council for Dual Enrollment. I believe that with strong faculty representation, the committee will be able to vet dual enrollment proposals, which are expected to increase. Unfortunately, we have had in the past to rush some of these proposals through with CCPT grants, but with this proposed council, we would avoid these situations in the future. I would like to have faculty and administrator serve as co-chairs of this council. What is the next step? Do I need to get the committee composition approved?

(Turini): Because this is an advisory council, not a decision making committee, there is no need for Senate approval. It is good to have constituency review and feedback.

(Curry): We would like to start staffing the council in the fall.

(Dekker): Okay, I will formalize the proposal and get that into the Senate soon.

10.2 Local Requirements for Graduation/Overlapping Courses in the Major

(Dobusch): SB 1440 requires that colleges do not implement local requirements, and SCCC interpreted that as meaning local graduation requirements (such as computer familiarity exam, two P.E. classes, and Health and Wellness). SB 1440 degrees are modeled after the Transfer Model Curriculum that now say A.A.T. or A.S.T. (also called A.D.T. or Associates Degree for Transfer). They require that the student do the major coursework with the CSU GEs with no local requirements. The way in which we have interpreted that is local graduation requirements rather than local requirements. The problem that we are facing right now is students who previously earned a terminal associate’s degrees who have a course in the major that they have already used cannot apply that same course to their new ADT because that rule somehow reappeared in the college catalog that it is disallowed. So, a student who earned an associate degree in accounting who has courses such as business law or economics cannot get an

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associate's degree to transfer in business administration because of those courses fitting into both majors. Our AR does not say anything about it being a regulation on our campus, so I do not know how it got back into the catalog. The State Chancellor's Office says this is a local requirement that we are using to deny students the ability to transfer because Title V does not have this regulation. These ADTs are extremely beneficial for students because it gives them admission prioritization to a CSU, and when they get to the CSU, they are only held to 60 more units. There have been several students denied the opportunity at this point.

(Spears): Do you mean just associate's degree for transfer to allow this?

(Dobusch): SB1440 says no local requirements, so the issue is: what is the definition of local requirements. Again, we have interpreted that to mean just graduation requirements and not any of the rest of our policies about earning an Associate's degree.

(Turini): The point of SB1440 was created to eliminate obstructions for students to transfer, so if we are instituting a requirement that creates an obstruction for students, it defeats the purpose.

(Dobusch): I am wondering if a Senate resolution could exempt these students negatively affected by this policy in our district. This policy is in the catalog, and the catalog is what we have to follow when it comes to granting degrees.

(Turini): Is FCC experiencing this same issue?

(Dobusch): Yes.

(Turini): The Articulation officers on your listserv, is this an issue you have encountered?

(Dobusch): I have been told that we are not in compliance with SB 1440. My response is that I have tried to bring it to people's attention with no success, so I am wondering if a resolution would be a solution to help these students.

(Sandoval): Is there any way for the students to abuse this or for the state to declare we can't allow this if the students declared both an Associate's Degree and an ADT?

(Dobusch): No. The programs would then declare on their Program Review the two degrees, which wouldn't be a bad thing. We have had 290 students eligible with the ADT this year, about a third of our transfer class. The students are really pursuing the degrees. For students transferring to Fresno State, the ADT does not give them much of a benefit, but for students going out of the area, the degree can give them a significant advantage, especially to San Diego State.

(Zigler): How hard is it to amend the catalog?

(Dobusch): My question is: I am not sure how it got back in. The catalog committee was disbanded, but a few people were asked to continue to assist with the catalog. It appeared back in the catalog around 2009; I checked the AR to see if it was added, and it was not.

(Spears): Does this affect only transfer students?

(Dobusch): It does beg the question about overlapping classes in multiple majors—should students be allowed to count these courses for both? It used to be that if a student had 18 units that were free and clear in each major, overlapping courses were okay. My question to the body is what do we do about it? Right now, there are at least ten students who are being affected by it.

(Turini): There may be no quick way to resolve this issue. The most powerful way to make a statement about this would be a joint resolution between all three Senates. The resolution should articulate that if there is discrepancy, the district is asked to request legal consultation from the Chancellor's Office on the definition of local requirement.

(P. Gilmore): We are having ECPC soon—would this be a good discussion to have?

(Turini): That is a good idea.

(J. Gilmore): So who is in charge of the catalog?

(Hesse): The catalog is put together by the Office of Instruction. The change was something that was made because of a Senate request.

(J. Gilmore): We have to think about those ten students. We need to take this to Jan Dekker to see if those students can get exemptions.

(Turini): We can look back through Senate minutes to make sure that it was indeed a change directed from the Senate.

(Dobusch): If it were changed, it would mean that students could get multiple degrees. This may have benefits to the students and the programs.

(Curry): I will investigate when exactly the change happened and determine if it was a Senate directive. I will talk to Jan Dekker to see if we can get these students exemptions. Lore, please write up a resolution for the next Senate meeting.

11. Future Agenda Items

11.1. Committee Report

11.2. Consent Agenda

11.3. Credit by Exam Residency Requirement

11.4. FW Grades

12. Officers' Reports

12.1 President – Stephanie Curry

Title IV and Last date of Attendance

- Administration and Financial Aid are asking that faculty add the last date of attendance to all failing grades (all F, NP, NC, I or W grades) in Datatel at the end of a class. This will help Reedley College save over \$75,000 a year in financial aid fees that need to be paid back by students who did not complete a course. This will also help students be able to clear holds that would bar them from registering. This request is consistent with Title IV. The proposal is to set up a field in Datatel so that when a student fails a class the instructor is prompted to give the last date of attendance. Many faculty are already doing this but this would make it a formal process.

ASCCC Spring Plenary

- On April 12, 2014, 131 delegates debated over 40 resolutions and amendments on topics such as ACCJC standards, Governor's Budget, curriculum, faculty development, CCC Bachelor's degree, BOG at risk groups exemption, grading, intersegmental issues, etc.
- ASCCC ESL Resolution on Data Mart was approved by the body
- Two papers were adopted: Disciplines List Handbook and Credit by Exam.
- Final Resolutions Online at <http://www.asccc.org/2014-spring-session-resolutions>
- New ASCCC Executive Board 2014-2015
 - President: David Morse, Long Beach City College
 - Vice President: Julie Bruno, Sierra College
 - Secretary: John Stankas, San Bernardino Valley College
 - Treasurer: Wheeler North, San Diego Miramar College
 - Area A: James Todd, Modesto Junior College
 - Area B: Dolores Davison, Foothill College
 - Area C: John Freitas, Los Angeles City College
 - Area D: Cynthia Rico, San Diego Mesa College
 - South Rep: Michelle Grimes-Hillman
 - South Rep: Craig Rutan, Santiago Canyon College
 - North Rep: Kale Braden, Cosumnes River College
 - North Rep: Phil Crawford, San Jose City College
 - At large: Dan Crump, American River College
 - At Large: Debbie Klein, Gavilan College

- 12.2 MOFA – Kristen Mattox. No report.
- 12.3 Vice President for Senate Business – Rick Garza. No report.
- 12.4 Vice President for Curriculum – Pam Gilmore. We are having one more meeting this week to discuss Communication’s request to add a prerequisite to their courses.
- 12.5 Secretary – Emily Berg. No report.
- 12.6 State Representative – Lore Dobusch. Plenary was interesting and highly contentious, with the past president ultimately being replaced by David Morse. Two people withdrew their nominations as a result. Resolution voting took a while as well, with most resolutions passing with many amendments to them. There are many state-wide committees senators can participate on; find more information on their website.
- 12.7 Immediate Past President – Jeff Ragan. No report.

13. Other thoughts

None reported.

Motion to adjourn: Turini; second by Sandoval. Approved.

Meeting adjourned at 3:11pm. Next regular meeting May 13, 2014 (2-4pm) RC-LRC 104, MC -AV1 101D/Oakhurst Center -7.