Senators Present:  Meg Pasquel, Karen Robinson, Becky Brown, Peggy Dodge, Patricia Seery, Jeff Cady, Kristin Perrone, Nancy Willet, Karen Koenig, Kofi Opong-Mensah, Paul Cheney

Senators Absent: Shawn Purcell, Kevin Muller

Guests:  Gina Cullen, Rinetta Early, Tonya Hersch

Minutes

I. Approval and Adoption of the Agenda: adopted (Robinson/Perrone) with changes by all Senators present

II. Reading and Approval of the Minutes of January 30, 2020: approved as amended (Robinson/Seery) as amended by all Senators present

III. Public Requests to Address the Senate on Non-Agenda Items: none

IV. Officers’ Reports

a. President (Meg Pasquel): President Pasquel reported that the empty Senate seat is a PT seat that is up for election this Spring. She suggests to keep the seat open until the Spring AS elections. The AS election steps start in April.

b. Vice President (Karen Robinson): none

V. Committee Reports

Curriculum Committee: Gina Cullen reported that the CC had their first meeting of the semester last week. The committee has created a four-person sub-committee of the CC, the Degree Articulation Review Team (DART), who will look at transfer degrees and where we have holes. The CC will have some guest speakers to present substantive changes to their courses next meeting.

Academic Standards Committee: Rinetta Early reported that this is the first semester that students on dismissal have been asked to sit out. Jon Horineck is compiling data to review regarding this procedure. For AP 4240 Academic Renewal,
there have been a few small language changes in a few areas to make the language clearer, along with an added reference to AP 4225 Course Repetition - Non Repeatable Courses. Senator Dodge (Cady) moves to approve AP 4240 as an action item for next week.

Governance Committees: Senator Willet reported on the Strong Workforce Advisory Committee (SWAC) meeting. This year CE programs are being allotted ~$250K, along with ~100K from Perkins funding. SWAC is a sub-committee of PRAC.

UPM Report: none

VI. Consent Agenda - Approved (Dodge/Cady) by all Senators present
   a. Governance Committee Appointments: none
   b. Maria Coulson from Math will replace Arthur Lutz’s seat for the Academic Senate.

VII. Invited Guests: Tonya Hersch and Gina Cullen – Guided Pathways Self-Assessment: The completed Guided Pathways Self-Assessment will go through all of the participatory governance steps. We only have to do certain sections and not all of them, and we have to state which areas are being worked on, and trying to align with the Strategic Plan. We have been working with a Guided Pathways Regional Coordinator.

VIII. Action Items:
   a. AP 7120: deferred

IX. Discussion
   a. Strategies for Screening Committees - continued (Pasquel): President Pasquel stated that it would be helpful if the AS could offer suggestions to bring to President Coon. Senators Brown, Robinson and Perrone will check with other community colleges such as SRJC, Solano, and City College of San Francisco to see what they have in place for this process and report back. So far, suggestions include: no vote for hiring manager, Zoom appearance before the beginning of each screening committee, separate facilitating and administrative work and offer the extra training to whomever wants it, training needs to be based on actual committee work, surveys evaluating process, hire a coordinator/facilitator, and hire another HR person. Discussion will continue next week.
   b. AP test scores/placement/credit: deferred

X. New Business: none

IX. Adjournment: 2:04 pm

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