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

Senators Absent: none

Guests: Rinetta Early

Minutes

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

II. Reading and Approval of the Minutes of April 16, 2020: approved (Purcell/Perrone) by all Senators present except Senators Cheney and Robinson abstained

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

IV. Officers’ Reports

President (Meg Pasquel): President Pasquel reminded everyone to vote in the AS election.

Vice President (Karen Robinson): none

V. Committee Reports

Curriculum Committee: none

Academic Standards Committee: none

Governance Committees: The DE committee met and discussed the on-line training that is scheduled to take place this semester, over the summer, and into the fall. The committee continues to receive guidance from the Chancellor’s Office as to the development and parameters of the training programs.

UPM Report: Senator Willet reported that the UPM Executive Council met and had a webinar with CFT about unemployment issues, and that PT faculty can apply for unemployment over the summer. There may be help for people who need it.
VI. Consent Agenda:
   a. Governance Committee Appointments: none

VII. Invited Guests: none

VIII. Action Items:
   a. AP 7120: deferred
   b. Faculty Led Instructional Committee (FLIC): deferred

IX. Discussion
   a. Response to Covid Emergency: President Pasquel attended the department chairs’ meeting, where a grading rubric to help with the remote learning issues was proposed and discussed. Class offerings have been drastically decreased for the summer session. The regular DE classes will be offered, and then some that are critical to degrees and transfer, with the instructors being trained. WASC is requiring more restrictive rules regarding on-line instruction. The Fall 20 semester is still up in the air, and some contingency plans are started to be discussed. President Pasquel will invite VPSL Eldridge to the AS meeting next week to discuss this more. Senator Cheney proposed that the faculty should be coming up with ideas now, to make sure that faculty voices are heard. He has come up with some ideas on how to plan the different scenerios. It was suggested to create a faculty committee to look at this more. Discussion will continue next week.

   b. AP test scores/placement/credit: Rinetta Early reported that she surveyed ten community colleges in the Bay Area as to if they accept AP scores of 3-5. She found that all the colleges that she surveyed do accept AP scores of 3-5 in biology and physics for college credit, except for COM. She has also asked Jon Horinek to look into this impact for students receiving an AA-T or AS-T degree. The department chairs of L&ES and Physical Sciences will be invited to discuss this with the AS in two weeks.

X. New Business: none

IX. Adjournment: 2:05 pm

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