

COLLEGE OF MARIN ACADEMIC SENATE

MEETING MINUTES

MAY 5, 2022

12:45-2:00 PM IN AC 303 AND VIA ZOOM

Senators Present: Maria Coulson, Meg Pasquel, Caitlin Rolston, Kevin Muller, Dave King, Kristin Perrone, Cara Kreit, Patricia Seery, Kyle Beattie, Patricia France, Kyle Muñoz

Senators Absent: None

Guests: None

- I. **Approval and Adoption of Agenda** — AMMENDED and ADOPTED (Perrone/Coulson) by all Senators present.
- II. **Reading and Approval of Minutes of April 28, 2022** — deferred
- III. **Public Requests to Address the Senate on Non-Agenda Items** — NONE
- IV. **Officers Reports**
 - a. **President (Meg Pasquel)** — President Pasquel read the AS awards blurbs which will be given to the following:
 - Nicole Cruz and Shook Chung for communications
 - Counseling for being on frontlines
 - COVID oversight for judicious decision-making
 - Umoja
 - Enrollment Services for noncredit registration
 - Health Center
 - b. **Vice President (Maria Coulson)** — DEC and TPC will meet on Tuesday to discuss the Faculty Tech Survey
- V. **Committee Reports**
 - a. **Curriculum AP 4020 (Gina Cullen)** — Professor Cullen reported that Nicole Barnett had attended the last curriculum meeting to give an overview of the CNA program. this program. We'll start as part of Community Ed. She gave a thorough PowerPoint. Next curriculum discussed weather. A distance education coordinator should. Be a member of the curriculum committee. The committee also put. An SAS counselor back on the list. They wanted the chair to be elected by the committee. They agreed that they needed to review their bylines. President Pasquel said that the DE coordinator shouldn't be on committee because curriculum already has to go through DEC. Another issue came up: the current draft includes no Kinesiology seat. Senator Muller added that the DE coordinator sitting on Curriculum would prevent people from going down the wrong road, and that the DE addendum is core part of curriculum. After some discussion, the Senate agreed that 1 seat should be designated for Allied Health and KIN together. CTE separate will be a separate seat.
 - b. **PRAC (Kristin Perrone):** Senator Perrone reported that PRAC will now be deliberating on what to recommend to the President. Summary of asks for salaries: Faculty total was \$165k. Most things are just PT unit conversion. Total faculty plus staff is \$493,600. FT Enrollment services hire would be an ESL tech. Total for Programs: \$609,400.
 - c. **Technology (Caitlin Rolston):** Secretary Rolston reported that the TPC had heard a presentation from IT about a new AI chatbot (Ocelot) on the website in several languages. TPC had questions about how accessible the chatbot would be and how far it would go in helping students find the right resources. The chatbot is currently in a trial mode on the website using the Mariner

account. TPC did not yet discuss Techquity's proposals, but Techquity had met on 5-5-22 to answer questions from TPC. Most TPC members could not attend this meeting. TPC will meet again on 5-11-22.

- d. **Academic Standards (Rinetta Early)**— Academic Standards has reorganized AP 5011 -- Admission of High School and Other Young Students. They also edited the language regarding paying all fees. AP4015 was just legal language.
- e. **Treasurer (Patricia Seery):** There will be 12 retirees – \$200 for each will be donated to the COM foundation. PT people below 20 years get a donation of \$100 dollars. AS will release blurbs for all these people. Treasurer Seery will contact department reps and heads for blurbs.

VI. **Invited Guests:** Gina Cullen, Rinetta Early

VII. **Consent Agenda** — APPROVED(Coulson/Muñoz) by all Senators present

- a. **Governance Committee Appointments** — None
- b. **Ongoing Emergency/Brown Act** — The College of Marin Academic Senate finds that conditions still exist which restrict our ability to meet in person (ability to social distance, individual health concerns). The Senate will vote weekly to consent that conditions require meetings to continue via Zoom. Advance approval of the consent agenda through March 31, 2022 APPROVED (Coulson/Muller) by all Senators present.
- c. **AP 4015: Distance Ed / AP 5011: Admission and Concurrent Enrollment**

VIII. **Action Items** — None

IX. **Discussion**

- a. **Academic Freedom** — deferred
- b. **Processes for New Academic Programs** — Meg met with Jonathan to come up with an AP for the grant processes. Meg put some of her notes in the AP. The AP will match the Educational Master Plan and Strategic Plan language.
- c. **Redlands University Partnership** — This program would be a 2+2 AS+BS or 2+2+1 AS+BS+MBA right on COM's campus. Senators had many comments and questions. VP Coulson stated that requirements like permanent space are problematic due to current lack of classroom space. She was also concerned about costs to students. Senator Perrone identified an issue with potential enrollment in the program, since Sonoma state had a program but we really don't get students. Other issues discussed included curriculum and who would approve it, how admissions would work, how faculty would be chosen and where they would work, whether and how Redlands would use facilities and space and whether they would pay a percentage of utilities, how diversity would be ensured, what articulation agreements exist and how they would be created, and a need to see statistics on success rates in completing degrees at Redlands? Senator King wanted to hear more about success with other CCs. What kind of financial aid would be available? What are projected enrollment numbers? Would there be any classes other than business classes offered at COM by Redlands? Senators had concerns about young, place-bound, lower socio-economic – how would this program help them? Senator Kreit asked if non-COM students would use our campus. Questions were raised regarding whether there is a target audience for this program and what kind of job placement and internship opportunities there would be at the end. Ultimately, one of the most serious concerns was the idea of using public funds to support a private university. Senators also agreed that UPM needed to be consulted.

X. **New Business** — None

XI. **Adjournment:** 2:00 pm

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