

COLLEGE OF MARIN ACADEMIC SENATE

MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 31, 2022

12:45-2:05 PM IN AC 303 AND VIA ZOOM

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

Senators Absent: Kristin Perrone

Guests: Alina Varona/ Ron Palmer: GG Transit Grant; Gina Cullen; Stacey Lince / Maria Coulson: AP 4105 Review; Rinetta Early: Academic Standards

- I. **Approval and Adoption of Agenda** — AMMENDED and ADOPTED (Muller/Seery) by all Senators present.
- II. **Reading and Approval of Minutes of March 17, 2022** — APPROVED (Coulson/King) by all Senators Present.
- III. **Public Requests to Address the Senate on Non-Agenda Items** — NONE.
- IV. **Invited Guests: Stacey Lince and Maria Coulson;** Alina Varona and Ron Palmer
 - a. DEC – Stacey Lince reported that DEC has made some changes to AP 4105, mostly related to Title V and clarifications of the definitions of online learning. Currently we offer hybrid courses and online asynchronous courses. College of Marin will not be adding HyFlex yet, which would include students attending via zoom while others are in a physical classroom. There is not yet an institutional definition of HyFlex, so changes are now to clarify that there can be no mandatory meetings for asynchronous online courses, and hybrid meetings must be published in the course schedule. The AP also now articulates the online course approval process:
 - i. 1. Department approves. The department should consider both articulation issues and the balance of offerings (in-person, asynchronous, hybrid).
 - ii. Course content deadlines: Spring September 1, Fall December 31st
 - iii. Faculty are required to complete the 12-week training to be certified for DE through @ONE; in the future COM hopes to bring that in-house.
 - iv. Every required meeting must be published in the official college course schedule.
 - v. All courses with online delivery methods (asynchronous and hybrid) must go through POCR review. Each individual online course must be POCR'd (the hybrid course is distinct from the asynchronous course, and Professor A's English 150 is distinct from Professor B's English 150).
 - vi. Test proctoring training is expected before using tools like Proctorio.
 - b. **Alina Varona and Ron Palmer** — Dean Varona presented the history, context, and rationale for the Golden Gate Transit Apprenticeship Grant. For full details of the presentation and supplementary materials, see attachments on AS website. In summary: The CCC Chancellor's office does have specific protocol requiring the "heavy lift" and coordination with various state agencies, both academic and labor-related, to create apprenticeship programs. These programs must be run through a labor union, and use the college's name and accreditation to offer apprentice workers non-transferrable college credits or certificates of achievement (not an academic title) while being simultaneously employed and paid in a stable, unionized environment. The only connection to the college and the reason for this connection is that it is a way for the college to support the community, a local business, and a local job-providing union. There has been a great deal of community support for this grant. GGT itself is committed to

furthering equity through employment and apprenticeship. Dean Varona showed an organizational chart of College of Marin for the purposes of creating this program that did not include Academic Senate, which oversees all program creation. Questions still abound regarding how the courses and instructors will be managed given the fact that they are all off-site and are non-traditional. The projected impact and timeline were also questioned by Senators: a Fall 2022 start date would be difficult given that nothing related to labor or curriculum has even been broached yet. The grant — \$500k — is meant to last 3 years, and begins tomorrow (4/1/2022). The future beyond those 3 years was not discussed. The main concern for Academic Senate is that although an apprenticeship program for GGT sounds like a marvelous win for bus drivers and for GGT with a potentially positive impact on the community, College of Marin's role is vague, and the timeline sounds unfeasible.

V. Officers Reports

- a. **President (Meg Pasquel)** — postponed
- b. **Vice President (Maria Coulson)** — postponed

VI. Committee Reports

- a. **Curriculum** — No report
- b. **Academic Standards (Rinetta Early)** — Professor Early reported that 4 APBPs are being moved forward. Most of the changes are legal changes, including language to highlight DEI. AP4020 (Program and Curriculum Development) has been sent to President Pasquel and VP Eldridge, and there are no changes to be made. BP 4106 (Nursing) was withheld last time to discuss recruitment. The RN program does not recruit, but the language must be left in because it is legal language. AP/BP 5050 has had a name change. Formerly Student Success and Support, this AP/BP is now called Student Equity and Achievement Program. The new name and language reflect DEI practices. Both AP and BP are ready to move forward and will be on the consent agenda for the Senate's next meeting.
- c. **Other Senate Subcommittee and Governance Committee Reports – all postponed**
 - i. **DEC (Maria Coulson)** — postponed (see invited guest's report re: DEC above).
 - ii. **Technology (Caitlin Rolston)** — postponed
 - iii. **Tech-quity (Kyle Beattie)** — postponed

VII. Consent Agenda — Postponed

- 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.

VIII. Action Items — None

IX. Discussion

- a. **Election Spring 2022** — postponed
- b. **Curriculum/Senate meeting logistics** — postponed

X. New Business — postponed

XI. Adjournment: 2:05 pm

XII. Future Business — Senate will not meet next week because President Pasquel and Vice President Coulson will be at AS Plenary. APs and BPs will be on the consent agenda when they return. The curriculum committee will meet later 3/31/22 to discuss the GGT grant. Academic Senate will discuss the issue further on 4/14/22.

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