

COLLEGE OF MARIN
ACADEMIC SENATE MEETING MINUTES
January 25, 2018

12:45pm – 2:00pm AC Building, Room 303

Senators Present: Meg Pasquel, Karen Robinson, Becky Brown, Andrea Wang, Joe Mueller, Karen Koenig, Jeff Cady, Peggy Dodge, Kevin Muller, John Erdmann, Christine Li, Arthur Lutz, Patricia Seery

Senators Absent: Kofi Opong-Mensah

Guests: A Joe Ritchie

Minutes

- I. Approval and Adoption of the Agenda: **adopted with changes (Dodge/Cady) by all Senators present**

- II. Reading and Approval of the Minutes of December 7, 2018 : **approved (Erdmann/Dodge) by all Senators present except Senator Li abstained**

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

- IV. Officers' Reports
 - a. President (Meg Pasquel): President Pasquel reported that VP Nelson is sick and will be out approximately 6 weeks. In order to keep the Technology Plan moving forward, she wants to ask VPSL Eldridge and the new IT supervisor to assist in the process. She will be attending the Curriculum Committee meeting later today to discuss some CORs and their interdepartmental considerations. Also, it seems that many students are assuming that the local COM AA or AS degrees allow them to transfer to a four-year college, and President Pasquel would like to look into this more to help clarify this for students and to see how the degrees will blend into the Guided Pathways program.

 - b. Vice President (Karen Robinson): VP Robinson reported that the local COM AA and AS degrees are critical, as there are many students working towards those degrees. She thinks that the College is putting too much emphasis on transfer to four-year colleges and we should maintain our AA and AS degrees.

 - c. Treasurer (Patricia Seery): Treasurer Seery distributed and explained the balances in the two Academic Senate accounts.

V. Committee Reports

Curriculum Committee (A Joe Ritchie): The Curriculum Committee has its first meeting later today, and a topic of discussion this semester will be the E-Lumens platform and how best to move our CORs to the new platform.

Academic Standards Committee (Rinetta Early): **none**

Governance Committees: The Facilities Planning Committee met and the solar project had a minor setback and has been taking longer to complete than planned. There is also discussion about parking spots for bicycles and electric cars. The Bolinas Marine Field Lab report included an update that President Coon and his team are currently reviewing the proposal, and there has been a recent Marin IJ article covering the story.

UPM Report (Arthur Lutz): UPM signed a TA with the District regarding Articles 3 and 4, and other articles of the contract still are being negotiated. Karen Robinson will be joining the 2018 UPM bargaining team.

VI. Consent Agenda

- a. Governance Committee Appointments: **none**
- b. Letter to Dr. Coon – re: Bond budget: **deferred**

VII. Action Items: **none**

VIII. Discussion

- a. Program Review Template: The draft of the new Program Review template was discussed, mainly regarding the aspect of seat availability and class maximums. There was agreement that these topics need to be further discussed, along with which parts of these topics fall under a negotiable, work-load category. Discussion will continue next week.
- b. Money for senate conferences: There are a number of Academic Senate-related conferences that would be very valuable for Senators to attend, such as the Curriculum Institute, the Leadership Institute, and the ASCCC conferences. It was agreed that more funding to allow more senators to attend these conferences should be requested.
- c. 10 plus 1 Discussion: **deferred**

IX. Adjournment: 2:05 pm

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