

COLLEGE OF MARIN ACADEMIC SENATE

Minutes

March 27, 2025

CALL TO ORDER: 12:45 PM AC 303

**Senators Present:** Rebecca Beal, Kyle Beattie, Maria Coulson, Gina Cullen, Alex Jones, Dave King, Cara Kreit, Kristin Perrone, Ian Sethre, Kevin Muller, Ron Oxford, Patricia Seery, Logan Wood

**Senators Absent:** Caitlin Rolston

I. **Agenda:** Approved (Cullen/Perrone)

II. **Minutes:** Deferred to next week.

III. **Officers Reports**

a. **President.**

- I. Curriculum Institute will be held July 9-12 in Ontario.
- II. Area B was held last week. After general dates from the ASCCC President, Area B representatives attended a breakout meeting previewing resolutions coming to the ASCCC plenary in April. In a new process, resolutions must be written by April 10<sup>th</sup> and submitted to the Resolutions Committee ahead of plenary. President Coulson requested that plenary delegates receive in time to discuss resolutions locally before plenary.
- III. VP King will not be attending Spring Plenary; Senator Cullen will be attending instead.

b. **VP.**

- i. **Senate Elections:** Terms will be up at the end of this semester for Senators Wood, Seery, Rolston, Jones, Kreit, Muller, Perrone. Nominations will open next week, elections to follow by the end of April through Election Buddy. The Senate Secretary and Treasurer positions will also be up for elections at our last meeting in May.

- ii. **VP for Fall 2025:** VP King will be on sabbatical. The Senate will need to identify acting VP.

iii. **Conferences & Learning Communities**

- [Rising Scholars Spring Meeting](#): April 5<sup>th</sup> in Bakersfield.
- [Asian Pacific Americans in Higher Education Conference](#): April 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> in Oakland.
- [Part-Time Faculty Institute](#): April 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> in San Diego (ASCCC).
- [Spring Plenary](#): April 24<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> in Irvine (ASCCC).
- [Curriculum Institute](#): July 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> in Ontario (ASCCC).

iv. **Webinars**

- Monday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, 12:00pm-1:00pm: [Common Course Numbering \(CCCC\)](#).
- Friday, May 9<sup>th</sup>, 10:00am-11:00am: [Empowering Equity: Exploring ASCCC IDEAA Tools for Inclusive Learning Environments](#) (ASCCC).
- Wednesday, May 14<sup>th</sup>, 9:00am-10:00am: [Prioritizing Mental Wellness: The Power of Emotional Regulation for Faculty](#) (ASCCC).

IV. **Committees**

- a. **Curriculum Committee:** COMM courses were approved and resubmitted for Cal-GETC approval. FIRE 100 was approved for CPR certification as dual credit/noncredit. Four ECE courses were reactivated. Reduction in units and programmatic changes for DENT were approved. Changes to MMST certificate were not approved and are on the agenda for today's meeting.
  - b. **OER:** Textbook and Beyond task force will meet Friday. Their recent survey identified 48 ZTC courses not already identified in the schedule of classes. New pathways for ZTC degrees and certificates are being explored.
  - c. **Assessment:** Decision was made to move to Canvas Insights since eLumen will no longer support SLO assessment. The assessment team is for volunteers to pilot during Summer term. Several senators volunteered.
  - d. **PRAC:** PRAC has had two meetings with presentations. Because of the shuffling of managers to cover different areas, the meetings are organized by manager. We have heard from Dirs Byrne and Sulaiman-Hara, Dean Varona and Dir Bright. There is an understanding among the managers that there is not a lot of room in the budget for new programs/projects.
  
- VI. **10+1.** The Senate discussed opportunities to provide faculty information about the faculty's 10+1 purview as well as surveying faculty about needs and issues associated with 10+1. The Senate also continued discussions of seeking collegial consultation from ASCCC representatives for outside voices and perspectives to help ensure that Title 5 requirements around 10+1 are being followed at COM.
  
- VII. **Probation:** President Coulson and Dean Jon Horinek discussed Shasta College's efforts to change the name of academic probation to "Academic Notice and Pause." Currently, their AP and BP still use the "probation" language but the documents are currently in the revision process. The Senate discussed the option of keeping the formal Title 5 language around "probation" in the AP but also defining the local terminology to be used in communication with students. There was consensus that the terms "notice" and "pause" are more desirable than "restoration." President Coulson will work with Dean Horinek to revise the AP with "notice" and "pause" by next week.
  
- VIII. **Senate Units:** Deferred.
  
- IX. **Aps/BPs:**
  - a) AP 5020: Non-Resident Tuition. Unanimously approved (Muller/Oxford).
  
  - b) AP 7212: Temporary Employees. President Coulson reviewed the history of revisions to this AP and summarized her conversation with VP Nekoda Harris. This included VP Harris's concerns that screening committees should not know if applicants are interested in entering the part-time pool if they are not selected for the full-time position since that may unduly influence the screening committee's recommendations. Instead, VP Harris proposed that applicants would be contacted by HR to see if they are interested after the screening committee has finished its recommendations. VP Harris also sought to limit applicants to be considered for the part-time pool should be limited to the finalists. The Senate discussed the advantages and disadvantages of this approach and alternatives. President Coulson will take the Senate's feedback to VP Harris. No action was taken.
  
  - c) AP/BP 3260: Participation in Local Decision Making. Deferred.

**IX.Future business:** AP 7212 and AP/BP 3260, Program Review Team Calls

**X.Adjourn:** 1:55 pm

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These minutes of **27 March 2025** were written and prepared by VP Dave King, [DKing@marin.edu](mailto:DKing@marin.edu),  
due to the absence of Senator Rolston.