Minutes of the Meeting of the Faculty Senate

October 21, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 4:34.

1. The senate voted to accept the minutes of the September meeting.

2. Vote on Charge for Task Force on Dual Credit

The charge was distributed previously on the senate website. There was no discussion. The charge was approved by acclamation.

3. Vote on Membership of Task Force for Dual Credit

The Senate Executive Committee nominated the following members of the Task Force on Dual Credit: Janice Joseph, Karen York, Arnaldo Cordero-Roman, Chia-Lin Wu, Mark Sullivan, Michael Hayse, Aakash Taneja, Oliver Cook, Lisa Honaker, Dennis Weiss, and Susan Davenport. There was no discussion. **The membership was approved by acclamation.**

It was moved and seconded to allow Task Force on Dual Credit to elect its own chair and cochair. **The motion was approved by acclamation.**

- 4. Vicky Schindler announced that the Academic Programs and Planning Committee made minor changes in the status of the Life Cycle of Program documents. At their next meeting Academic Programs and Planning will make sure the committee approves minor changes. They will then send it back to the Executive Committee to be approved by the senate.
- 5. The **November meeting** of the Faculty Senate will be in B-126.
- 6. The **senate website** is in the process of being updated by Computer Services. There is currently no projected date for completion.
- 7. Motion: The Standing Committee on Administration and Finance shall interpret its standing charge to include the regular consideration of issues regarding campus accessibility. The Executive Committee moved that the senate adopt Resolution 1 on Accessibility Task Force Recommendations. Discussion: Lydia Fecteau wanted to add a concern regarding an inclusive workforce at Stockton. Rodger Jackson suggested that is beyond the scope of Administration and Finance. Gurprit Chhatwal recommended that Administration and Finance focus on five categories of concern (parking, signage, doors, PAC, and elevators). He suggested the committee investigate what is being done about these issues and report back to the senate. Susan Fahey volunteered to maintain the email address for notifying the committee about accessibility issues (access@stockton.edu). The motion was approved by acclamation.

- 8. Motion: The Senate commends the administration for its actions in implementing several of the specific recommendations of the Task Force on Accessibility regarding the priority access gaps, and encourages it to continue addressing these issues with all due speed. The Executive Committee moved that the senate adopt Resolution 2 on Accessibility Task Force Recommendations. There was no discussion. The motion was approved by acclamation.
- 9. Michelle McDonald moved to close the meeting. The motion was approved by acclamation.
- 10. Rodger Jackson introduced a faculty concern about **inequities in the distribution of money** within the schools. The senate Executive Committee wants senators to help construct questions for investigating how money is distributed at the college. Then Administration and Finance could be charged with answering those questions. Discussion included questions regarding whether the senate wants information regarding transparency or accountability. Gurprit Chhatwal explained the committee tried to explore this issue last year but it was difficult to obtain detailed information. He suggested trying to get information for a sample school instead. Other comments highlighted data on multiple funding sources available from the Grants Office, the need to focus on Deans' decisions regarding funding programs and individual faculty members, and the need to gather data from prior years. The current goal is to generate specific questions so the Executive Committee can write a charge for Administration and Finance.
- 11. Rodger Jackson introduced a proposed graduate program, the **Doctorate of Education in Organizational Leadership**, which is being considered by the Provost's Council and Academic Programs and Planning. Vicky Schindler announced that Academic Programs and Planning might be voting on this at their next meeting. Vice Chairs should remind administrators on committees that standing committees do not represent the full senate and approval by a committee does not constitute approval by the full senate. Senators discussed particulars of the program itself and the Life Cycle of Program document which emphasizes the senate's role in program approval.
- 12. Rodger Jackson announced that there will be a new process for electing **student speakers for graduation** ceremonies.
- 13. Michael Rodriguez announced that the **Library Committee** is having trouble defining their role now that there are school liaisons.

It was moved and seconded to end the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:34.

Absent senators: Arleen Gonzalez, Meg White, Lois Spitzer

Respectfully submitted by Jennifer Lyke, Secretary of the Faculty Senate