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| **COA Academic Senate**  **Meeting Minutes**  **Thursday, March 16, 2023** | | |
| Meeting Called To Order at College of Alameda, A232 12:22pm  and Zoom <https://peralta-edu.zoom.us/j/84378478000>  Note: For Virtual attendance, senators indicate in the Zoom Chat No’s and Abstentions.  Quorum: 50% + 1  In person Quorum: 8 or more senators | | |
| **Senators in Attendance In Person**: Matthew Goldstein (Chair), Jacob Schlegal, Andrew Park, Jennifer Fowler, Sue Altenbach, Richard Kaeser, George Cruz, Bruce Pettyjohn, Jacinda Marshall, Marissa Nakano (note-taker)  **Senators in Attendance Online:** Cady Carmichael, Khalilah Beal-Uribe, Fathia Mohamed  **Guests in attendance**: Rochelle Olive, Jody Campbell, Jeff Sanceri, Vanson Nguyen, Jayne Smithson | | |
| **Agenda Item** | **Summary** | **Motion** |
| Agenda Review & Approval for March 16, 2023 |  | Motion to approve Agenda March 16, 2023  **First**: A. Park  **Second:** S. Altenbach  MOU |
| Review of minutes from March 2, 2023 | Any grammatical changes can be sent directly to M. Nakano or M. Goldstein. | Motion to approve minutes from Thursday, March 2, 2023  **First**: J. Marshall  **Second**: R. Kaeser  MOU |
| Action Items:   None | None |  |
| Discussion Items:   1. Ethnic Studies resolution (J. Campbell) 2. Chairs elections (V. Nguyen) 3. Brown Act update (M. Goldstein) 4. Constitution revisions (M. Goldstein) | Summary #1:   * J. Campbell provided a draft of the resolution. To act, we can focus on the Resolved sections. The focus is on how to get resources and support for creating a new (standalone) department without compromising the release time for chairs * J. Sanceri: Adding in “Commitment” “Necessity.” To grow unity in our entire college. * J. Smithson asked if consulted with other PCCD departments who have Ethnic Studies. J. Campell confirmed he did, and the hope is to do it in a new way (our own COA way). Other campuses started and then grew to be their own disciplines (with full time faculty). Laney follows a similar model. J. Smithson: just a thought about hiring concerns * A. Park: should we consolidate the resolves? Maybe 1-2 resolves from the four. J. Campbell: there is another draft, and emphasis will go closer to the final paragraph as the focus. Focus on action from admin. * R. Olive: emphasized the importance of AS supporting this resolution; this is within 10+1 purview. Offered a suggestion to rephrase to make the language stronger; emphasize department * Cluster recommendations come from AS, but ultimately the COA president has the say * J. Campbell: OUSD (Oak Tech and OHS) requesting more ethnic studies-based courses. Demonstrates the need for more options at COA.   Summary #2   * Pandemic changed how we conduct chair elections. Modification was done with senate reps as the contact people for chair elections. V. Nguyen is here today to request this practice continues * Next steps: set up election electronically with D. Benavides. PFT reps happen to be senators (they’ve agreed to serve in both capacities). April 3rd—14th (2 business weeks for nominations). Next week tentative the follow for voting. * Discussion of enrollment management and how it’s linked to the process. R. Olive: AS should be on the Chair of Chair’s meeting to gain support. Share resolution against class cuts to gain support in more areas   Summary #3   * No clear resolution on which bodies are exempt. PCG: what bodies are legislative and what are not? Clear that AS and other bodies related are Brown Act * Request: further clarification on what’s expected for attendance in person and virtually. * We will continue meeting today with a hybrid approach until further notice (8 in-person senators) * Observation from Chabot College colleague (S. Altenbach): if a senator can’t attend in person, they cannot participate. This is their interpretation of the Brown Act. Will share whatever new items come down from the State (accommodations are honored). * Brown act has exemptions (joining from a laptop, has to be published with Agenda; needs to be public)   Summary #4   * Looking to recruit senators to revise the constitution (I.e. term limitations to non-presidents, and likely non-vice-presidents) * Recommendation to send out those amendments with voting for senator elections |  |
| Officer Reports | Vice President: continuing researching for Emeritus Luncheon (price increases are noticeable). Next meeting will have an action item to move forward with planning  Treasurer: Payroll deduction form with in-person today (lunches, and Peralta foundation for scholarships)  Secretary: none |  |
| Announcements | President: there’s a survey going around to students to regarding modality.  S. Altenbach: how will the survey be given to students? Huge concern surrounding gathering data.  J. Fowler: When did they want to distribute the survey? For fall planning (we’ve already set our schedules for summer/fall).  There are two different surveys: one from the state and another internal. Both require organization. J. Smithson: discipline specific, not general. Needs to be disaggregated! |  |
| DAS Updates/Announcements | Summary of DAS:   * Presentation and discussion of Faculty diversity Internship Program (FDIP) * Presentation from J. Shanoski (PFT President) regarding modality * Robust facilities discussion * Donald Moore is recovering from a car accident!   DE: resolution from state senate resolution regarding faculty’s role in modality. M. Goldstein is tasked to reach out to the writer; how this was received at the state level curriculum so we can implement at the local level |  |
| Public Comment |  |  |
| Proposed agenda items for next meeting April 6, 2023 on Zoom and in person, A-232 | Email M. Goldstein for agenda items. |  |
| Adjournment |  | Motion to adjourn at 1:17pm  First: A. Park  Second: R. Kaeser |