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| **COA Academic Senate****Meeting Minutes****Thursday, September 7, 2023** |
| Meeting Called To Order at College of Alameda, H 280 & [Zoom](https://peralta-edu.zoom.us/my/fowler) at 12:20pmNote: For Virtual attendance, senators indicate their votes in the Zoom ChatQuorum: 50% + 1 In person Quorum: 7 or more senators (15 seats, 3 vacant) |
| **Senators in Attendance In Person**: Matt Goldstein, Jenn Fowler, Andrew Park (note-taker for first half), Rich Kaeser (note-taker for second half), Andrew Fittingoff, Sue Altenbach, Carla Pegues, Jacinda Marshall, and KL Nadeesha Dias**Senators in Attendance Online:** George Cruz, Cady Carmichael, and Bruce Pettyjohn**Guests in attendance**: Stefanie Ulrey, Thomas Torres-Gil, Jody Campbell, Jayne Smithson, Drew Burgess, Maurice Jones, Jane McKenna, Lisa Sawadogo, Blair Norton, and Anthony Villegas |
| **Agenda Item**  | **Summary**  | **Motion**  |
| Agenda Review & Approval for September 7, 2023 | No changes to the agenda. | Motion to approve Agenda September 7, 2023**First**: M. Goldstein**Second:** C. PeguesM.S.U. |
| Review of minutes May 18, 2023   | No corrections.Any grammatical changes can be sent directly to A. Park or J. Fowler.   | Motion to approve minutes from May 18, 2023**First**: J. Marshall**Second**: S. AltenbachM.S.U. |
| Action Items1. LSLA FT Senator Appointment: Jody Campbell (J. Fowler)

1. Consider using AS funds to cover lunch for 23-24 AY regular meetings (J. Fowler)

 | Congratulations to new DAS president Matt Goldstein. Matt Goldstein needs to vacate his position as FT LS&LA senator. J. Fowler would like to appoint Jody Campbell to the vacancy with the senate’s approval.Senate has been covering the cost of lunch for the past few years; we would like to continue doing that.Please send any recommendations for lunch vendors to J. Fowler. | Motion to approve appointment of Jody Campbell to LS&LA FT senator position**First:** A. Park**Second:**  C. PeguesM.S.U.Motion to approve use of AS funds to cover lunch for 23-24 AY regular meetings**First:** R. Kaeser**Second:**  S. AltenbachM.S.U. |
| Discussion Items:  1. Contract Education Courses and Curriculum (J. Fowler)

1. Constitutional changes (J. Fowler)

   | **Summary of #1**Jenn Fowler introduced the topic and introduced Thomas Torres-Gil, from the office of international education.* Thomas Torres-Gil talked about:
	+ the history of contract ed at the district and at CoA.
	+ control over the class offering at the college, ensuring contract ed classes look similar to regular classes
	+ supplementing enrollment from F1 visa international students (decline in numbers with “No. 45”)
	+ Board approval for the contract ed courses, including the prices for the contract partners
	+ History with COVID-19, where F1 visa students could not physically come to US
	+ ASAA contract (new contract).
	+ Sensitivity around requests: cultural differences, awareness of academic freedom (instructor’s prerogative)
	+ Stay in tune with what is happening day to day, year to year.
	+ Meet with students who generally would go to community college, from China in particular
	+ Program expands reach students who may never come to U.S
	+ Should expect students to take course in the language of instruction, not depending on translation programs
	+ Censorship is a concern
	+ Advantages to having these CE courses such as adding adjunct faculty and opportunity for students to take our courses
	+ Contract Ed should not affect current college enrollment, should be independent,
	+ CE classes come as contracts are made

Questions:* Database access issues?
* Financial considerations?
* Requests from the contract ed partners (e.g. access to Canvas shell prior to class start, etc.)?
* Shift in emphasis on who we are serving?
* Students with disabilities?
* Are we cutting courses on campus to make room for CE courses?

**Summary of #2*** J. Fowler started conversation about constitutional changes
	+ Bullet point changes, starting subcommittee
	+ Brown Act, in person quorum to qualify as an official meeting

Questions:* Quorum adjustment?
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| Officer Reports   | **Vice President**: None at this time.**Treasurer**: We have money.**Secretary**: Had to leave early.**President**: plenary in November, plans on being delegate; first DAS meeting on 9/19; looking for DAS rep from COA. |   |
| Announcements  |  None. |  |
| DAS Updates/Announcements |  None. |   |
| Public Comment  |  None. |  |
| Proposed agenda items for next meeting TBD | Email J. Fowler for agenda items. |   |
| Adjournment at 1:20 pm  |  | Motion to adjourn at 1:20pm.**First**: C. Pegues**Second**: R. KaeserMSU |