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| **COA Academic Senate**  **Meeting Minutes**  **Thursday, February 6, 2025** | | |
| Meeting Called To Order at College of Alameda, H 280 & [Zoom](https://peralta-edu.zoom.us/my/fowler) at 12:20 pm  Note: For Virtual attendance, senators indicate their votes in the Zoom Chat  Quorum: 50% + 1  In person Quorum: 7 or more senators (15 seats, 2 vacant) | | |
| **Senators in Attendance**: Jenn Fowler, George Cruz, Andrew Park (note-taker), Jacinda Marshall, Sue Altenbach, Bruce Pettyjohn, Cady Carmichael, Andrew Fittingoff,  **Guests in attendance**: Trish Nelson, Jayne Smithson, Diana Bajrami, Cynthia Horn, Iolani Sodhy-Gereben, Vinh Phan, | | |
| **Agenda Item** | **Summary** | **Motion** |
| Agenda Review & Approval for February 6, 2025 | Request to add ZTC grant update as an informational item at the beginning of the agenda. | Motion to accept the proposed addition to the agenda.  **First**: G. Cruz **Second**: C. Carmichael M.S.U. except for one abstention (A. Park)  Motion to approve Agenda as amended February 6, 2025  **First**: G. Cruz **Second**: J. Marshall M.S.U. |
| Review of minutes  December 5, 2024 | Any grammatical changes can be sent directly to A. Park or J. Fowler. | Motion to approve minutes from December 5, 2024  **First**: J. Marshall **Second**: G. Cruz M.S.U. |
| Action Items:  None | None |  |
| Discussion Items:   1. ZTC Grant Update 2. ASCCC Curriculum Updates (I. Sodhy-Gereben)        1. Common Course Numbering Updates (T. Nelson & V. Phan)      1. PCCD Budget Town Hall (J. Fowler) | **Summary of #1**  J. Fowler invited Jayne Smithson to give the update on the ZTC grant.   * Group met on Tuesday, approving/recommending an interim ZTC coordinator position to be announced as soon as possible, to fill out the remainder of the year. * The position will be advertised to the college community in accordance with the union CBA. * Regular ZTC coordinator will be hired to begin next year. * Draft job description for the position (March-May 2025) was shared during the meeting.   Participated in discussion: Diana Bajrami, Jayne Smithson, A. Park, J. Fowler.  **Summary of #2**  J. Fowler introduced Iolani Sodhy-Gereben to give the update from ASCCC Curriculum Committee.   * Upcoming curriculum events and webinars were shared. * Work on CCN is ongoing, including changes needed on the CCCCO side. * Work on STEM transfer degrees is also starting soon, particularly addressing the issue of “high-unit majors”. * Also there’s renewed push to get more bachelor’s degrees at CCCs approved. * And work on credit for prior learning.   Q: What do the CSUs think of CCCs offering 4-year degrees? (A: By law, only programs not offered at CSUs can be offered in CCCs as 4-year degree.)  Participated in the discussion: S. Altenbach, Iolani Sodhy-Gereben  **Summary of #3**  J. Fowler introduced the curriculum committee co-chairs Vinh Phan and Trish Nelson to give the update on the CCN work.   * We have completed most of the work for Phase 1 (7 courses that needed to be updated locally). * Now courses containing the Phase 1 courses as requisites need to be updated (e.g. update requirements for ENGL 1A to ENGL C1000). * Draft list of Phase 2 courses was shared. The list (our “best guess”) may change as the templates are finalized and come out at the state level. * Phase 3 is on the horizon. Timeline: Phase 1 is effective Fall 2025. Phase 2 will be effective Fall 2026. Phase 3 should be effective Fall 2027 (1 year for each phase). * Progress on Phase 2: + Disciplines that are complete: Art History, Econ, History (faculty groups have met—2 sets of meetings—and the recommendation will go to CSUs and CCCCO for finalized templates). + Math group is meeting today. + Other Phase disciplines are scheduled to complete their work before the end of the month. * Main push for Phase 2 will be happening in Fall 2025. * One upside of CCN: if there’s something in the CCN templates you like, you can just adopt them without needing to go through Peralta’s UCN consultation process.   Q: Possibility of work over summer? (A: Good question for the CCN coordinator; there *is* CCN funding that has so far been underutilized.)  [ASCCC CCN Development and Faculty Engagement webpage](https://asccc.org/common-course-numbering-ccn-development-and-faculty-engagement) shared.  Participated in the discussion: Iolani Sodhy-Gereben, Diana Bajrami, Trish Nelson, Vinh Phan.  **Summary of #4**  J. Fowler gave a description of the PCCD Budget Town Hall held by COO Greg Nelson and Chancellor Gilkerson on January 31.   * Recordings and presentations are available. * There were also listening sessions held. * Emails went out seeking feedback on the town hall (links to the feedback form also shared during the meeting).   Q: Why was the meeting held in Zoom meeting format with 300 participant limit? (A: There was negative feedback on the webinar format allowing more participants, so decision was made to go with the regular Zoom meeting, which has the 300 participant limit.)  Concerns about lack of ability to engage during the meeting was repeated.  Participated in the discussion: S. Altenbach, J. Fowler, Diana Bajrami |  |
| Officer Reports | **President**: CoA received one new FT hire; announcement for DMECH hire (top of CoA’s faculty hiring prioritization list) will go out soon. Anyone interested in attending ASCCC Spring Plenary in April, please respond by tomorrow. DAS has budget to send a limited number of faculty per campus.  **Vice President**: Nothing to report.  **Treasurer**: Nothing to report.  **Secretary**: Nothing to report. |  |
| Announcements | No announcements. |  |
| DAS Updates/Actions | J. Fowler gave an update on the DAS meeting, most topics having been covered earlier in this meeting (budget townhall, Q&A with chancellor, etc.).  Q: re. Q&A with the chancellor, was there additional info shared at DAS meeting beyond what was in the town hall? (A: Some of the ‘radical ideas’ proposed for budget reduction was shared. Possible re-branding of “Oakland City College”; currently just ideas ‘being thrown around’.)  There was a discussion on the definition of “related” discipline.  We discussed re-affirming our sanctuary resolution. |  |
| Public Comment | There was some public comment regarding the district’s plan for budget reduction. |  |
| Proposed agenda items for next meeting  Thursday, February 20, 2025 | Call for additional proposed agenda items was made.  Please email J. Fowler for any other agenda items. |  |
| Adjournment at 1:15 pm | Meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m. with all agenda items having been addressed. |  |