



Academic Senate Business Meeting
Minutes for February 25, 2014
12:30-1:20, Room 860

Attendance: D. Angelovich, A. Badgett, G. Bell, A. Bewick, M. Biddenback, S. Burns, P. Carroll, D. Chiabotti, M. Conroy, J. Dotta, M. Dow, I. Dunkle, S. Fernandez, W. Fortier, W. Fried, C. Gillis, RJ Gonzales, S. Grohs, A. Gross, A. Guerrero, J. Hall, F. Hancock, J. Hurtado, K. Iwamoto, J. King, K. Larsen, J. Liscano, S. Lohse, T. Madison, K. McCann, J. McClendon, J. McGowan, R. Miller, K. Owens, E. Quealy, F. Quinlan, D. Rosselli, M. Sanchez, D. Saunders, E. Shearer, J. Stickmon, M. Tran, D. Van Deusen, R. Villa, M. Villagomez, J. Wachsmuth, N. Wade-Gravett, J. Whitmer, Y. Woods,

Absent: J Amato, J. Ankenmann, B. Avila, S. Balassi, S. Ball, K. Benscoter, R. Bruggemann, A. Castro, D. Clemens, E. Cosby, R. Della Valle, A. DiFranco, J. Duffey, D. Ehlen, D. Ellingson, S. Fawl, R. Freschi, D. Geiger, M Gianvecchio, S. Gocke, M Hobbs, B. Hopperstadt, G. Kell, C. Kling, B. Kraig, S. Krebs, E. Lara-Medrano, J. Liscano, C. Luikart, S. McCann, R. Millay, L. Monger, A. Moore, B. Moore, L. Napholz, R. Orzoco, S. Rose, M Salceda-Nunez, M. Shea, G. Strommen, E. Tejada, E. Wade, EA. Wilkes, L. Yanover, C. Zyskowski

Guests: Matt Christensen, Terry Giugni, Ron Kraft, Alex Shantz,

Meeting called to order at 12:32 pm.

1.0 Welcome – Guests were introduced.

2.0 Adoption of Agenda

Motion to add item 8.7: Funds for Classified Appreciation event. MSP

3.0 Approval of Minutes: 12/10/13

4.0 Public Comment – Alex Shantz, Student representative to the Board of Trustees introduced himself. Noted the importance of shared governance and student involvement. This is his last semester at NVC.

5.0 Announcements - Denise Roselli, President of the faculty union noted that the Faculty is united and no one could drive a wedge between them. Faculty members have the right to express their opinions and these are encouraged. At committee meetings, all can contribute, but only appointed members can vote.

Roberto Gonzalez reported that the Facilities Master Plan would focus on sustainability.

6.0 Actions Items - none

7.0 Discussion Items

7.1 Non-smoking policy – The comments and discussion on email, while leaning towards a smoke-free campus, do not constitute a public forum under the Brown Act. Dr. Kraft stated that a survey used by SJSU might be used by NVC Office of Institutional Research to query all stakeholders. There were questions about enforceability and goals of such a policy. Motion to extend discussion by 2 minutes. MSP.

Wade-Gravett noted that campuses all over the country are moving to non-smoking policies. The health of students and staff is the goal and usually a year-long public information process occurs before a ban takes effect, as in other public health efforts.

7.2 Panel: Bond, IT Plan, Facilities Plan - The Facilities Master Plan is an update from the 2009 plan, with a list of unfinished projects. Christensen is in the process of working with stakeholder groups to see if the needs have changed and adapting the plan to meet existing and future needs. A new regional Health Occupations building would free up classrooms in the current building for other departments. The need for a Student Union, IT infrastructure, other modernization to classrooms was discussed. Funding sources would include state bonds, local bonds, donors, and other alternative sources. Improving technologies in the classrooms also has to include a plan for long-term maintenance. Prioritizing the projects is based on



the Educational Master Plan. The district will not put up a bond unless it is thoroughly researched and the support is in place.

8.0 Information Items

- 8.1 There are three spots available to attend the CTE workshop at Merritt College. The workshop is free.
- 8.2 Budget process – workshop for area managers will take place Friday, Feb 28.
- 8.3 The Senate expressed gratitude for the work of the Professional Development committee on sabbaticals.
- 8.4 The next applications for sabbaticals will be due in early October 2014.
- 8.5 Forms will be going out in April for members to request committee assignments for next year.
- 8.6 The ASCCC Spring Plenary meeting will take place in April in San Francisco and there are scholarships available.
- 8.7 Thirty faculty members donate through payroll to the Academic Senate scholarship fund. The Senate will award three students \$500 NVC Emeriti Faculty Scholarships (honoring retired faculty), and \$200 to the Classified Staff Appreciation fund.

9.0 Reports

9.1 Officer Reports

- 9.1.1 President** – Equivalency Review Teams have been created, and meeting dates are 3/7 and 3/21.
- 9.1.2 1st Vice Pres.** - No report
- 9.1.3 2nd Vice Pres.** - No report
- 9.1.4 Secretary** - No report
- 9.1.5 Treasurer** - No report

9.2 Standing Committee Chair Reports

- 9.2.1 Academic Standards & Practices** – Pre- and co-requisites policy will come before Senate.
- 9.2.2 Basic Skills Initiative** – No report
- 9.2.3 Curriculum**- Deadline for new curricula is Friday.
- 9.2.4 Faculty Standards & Practices** - No report
- 9.2.5 Learning Outcomes Assessment** - No report
- 9.2.6 Professional Development Committee** – No report
- 9.2.7 Social Committee** – No report.

9.3 Shared Governance Reports

- 9.3.1 Budget Committee** – In 2014-2015 budget, it looks like we will have growth money. Class sections will be added.
- 9.3.2 Planning Committee** - No report

10. Adjournment (1:22 pm)