

# Cosumnes River College

## Academic Senate

### Minutes (Approved), February 22, 2019

**1. The meeting was called to order at 12:01 pm**

**Present = X**

Aldredge, Teresa X
Apetekar, Rachel X
Arden-Ogle, Ellen X
Beyrer, Greg X
Breitenbach, Ron X
Burns, Cori
Carlson, Drew
Carter, Sandra X
Chapman, Greg
Dartez, Gail
Dobson, Veronica
Esty, Juana
Falloon, Matt
Farley, Rhonda
Fisk, Cory X
Flynn, Martin

Fortin, Cheri
Francisco, Jenna
Hansen, Priscilla
Hoang, Linda X
Hodgkinson, Georgine X
Hubbard, Kris
Jackson, Hiram X
Karsiere, Sarma X
Leung, Amy
Levingston, Ahriana
Mapeso, Ray X
Marchand, Lisa X
Mayo, Kathryn
Mojica, Ed
Moreno, Camille X
Nahlen, Kari X

Newman, Jason X
Ninh, Thien-Huong X
Noel, Brian X
Obrien, Teresa X
Oliver, Julie X
Panagakos, Anastasia
Patten Armbrust, Terry
Patterson, Jason X
Preble, Ron
Procsal, Amanda X
Seamons, John X
Schroeder, Kristy
Schubert, Rick X
Weinshilboum, David X
Wingard, Ben X

**2. Approval of the Agenda:** Approved by consensus

**3. Announcements:**

Professor Katie Morgan Nance was successful in getting the first course (Acct 311) approved for the OEI Exchange.

**4. Approval of the Minutes:**

Minutes from 2.8.19 approved by consensus

**5. Guests:**

Eddie Fagin, Economics Professor  
 Naomi Bahm, Psychology Professor  
 Emily Bond, Librarian  
 Stephen McGloughlin, Dean

**6. Public Comment**

Eddie Fagin, Economics Professor

## 7. President's Report

### Meetings Attended

- Chancellor's cabinet
  - Potential CTE Grant for \$1.5M for district; concept of 2+2 degree with out of state university floated
- District Senate
  - Hiring manual draft will be reviewed again and possibly revised to include CRC faculty input. The adjunct hiring section will not be addressed until the FT processes have been approved by the BOT.
  - Collegial consultation resolution being drafted
- President Ed Bush (Accompanied by VP Marchand)
  - Topics Discussed:
    - Announcement of the interim VPA
    - Concerns from the AS regarding the weight of the faculty voice on committees lead by tri-chairs
    - District Initiatives: Zero or Low Costs textbooks; CTE Improving Pathways grant opportunity for Health Information Technology

### District Vision for Success meeting

- Institutional Effectiveness Office is working to meet the strict deadlines for establishing success goals for the year. Sabrina Sencil and Paul Meinz will address the senate to explain this process on 3/8.

## 8. Decision Item 1: Topic (Institutional Learning Outcomes) – 2<sup>nd</sup> read (Farley)

Marchand worked with Senator Breitenbach to add section on Quantitative reasoning

Action: Motioned by Beyrer to approve the revisions of this document; seconded by Jackson; motion carries; 1 Abstention (O'Brien)

## 9. Decision Item 2: Topic (Student Equity and Support Charge) (Seamons)

Seamons reported that the committee made two changes in area of responsibility and eliminated the subcommittee section. Suggestion to add committee names parenthetically. Recommended that committee review the membership composition to ensure a weighted faculty voice.

Action: Tabled to next senate meeting.

## 10. Decision Item 3: Topic (Library Critical Hire) (Bond)

Librarian Critical Hire first read (Bond) – Emily Bond shared a handout on the need for the critical hire due to recent resignation of their senior librarian. Information was provided on the new library services migration requiring implementation this fall. Long term temp is no a viable option.

Action: Beyrer motioned to suspend the rules so that this matter could be moved to 2<sup>nd</sup> read. Seconded by Nathen.

Motion carries

Action: Schubert motioned to approve the critical hire position for a Librarian; Jackson seconded the motion.

Motion carries

## **11. Discussion Item 1: Topic (GE Themes) Schubert**

Schubert provided a powerpoint overview of Guided Pathways including information about the discussions around the idea of taking a thematic approach to helping students select their GE courses. The Thematic approach presented included a “straw man” proposal of CRC GE themes: Arts, Media and Culture, Ethics and Social Justice, Technology and Innovation; Environmental Sustainability; Global Connections, Health and Wellness, Science, Technology and Values and Individualized GE. Discussion included explaining the current process that students take for choosing GE courses and what would be the role of the faculty if this new process were implemented. Additional work would need to be done to align courses to themes. This matter will be heard again in the senate.

### **Participatory Governance Committee Reports**

Participatory Governance Committees (1<sup>st</sup> meeting of the month)

Senate Subcommittees (2<sup>nd</sup> meeting of the month)

- Constitution & Bylaws – Oliver said the committee met and requested faculty feedback by March 1<sup>st</sup>
- Election Committee – Oliver said an email communicating the process will be sent out next week and nomination forms will be due on Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup> by 12 noon.
- Retirement Resolutions – Oliver reported that we have 10 retirees and it is up to faculty in the department to development these resolutions. The deadline resolutions are needed is Friday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> so that they can be brought to senate then edited then framed for the year end ceremony.
- Honors Program - Schubert reported that the Honors Program has been accepted into the UCLA Transfer Alliance Program (TAP) which is a platinum standard for community college transfer programs; Students participation in our Honors Program triples the students’ chances of getting into UCLA. It took almost 10 years to get this program approved for the TAP.
- Portable textbooks committee – Wingard reported that he has 4 members now on the committee.
- Wingard also reported about the OEI training will be available for faculty in April. Faculty will be provided with a stipend of \$900 for doing the research on your course then completing the work. Stipends will not be paid until the summer when the work is completed.

Sustainability Committee meeting:

- Armburst reported preliminary planning stages for Earth Week in April and would welcome faculty input for bringing in new presenters, shows, ideas and also volunteers. The Committee is raising money for an Endowment for a long-term Student Scholarship. If any other faculty are interested in making an ongoing or one-time donation, please contact Debra Sharkey. Committee is discussing ways in which it can influence the District to use more sustainable products and processes throughout all Los Rios campuses.

### **Other Taskforce or Workgroup Reports**

- No confidence workgroup – Newman reported that the workgroup will bring a draft to the senate soon although this work maybe impacted by work of SUJIC (Senate/Union Joint Issues Committee)
- LRCFT – Newman reported that he will send out the results of the safety survey. Clarification is needed about the role of faculty in classroom safety. This could be a topic during negotiations next year. Send comments to Jason Newman.
- Newman also met with President Bush and topics included:
  - lack of consultation with chairs on new initiatives
  - workload based on Guided Pathways
  - Over use of management right of assignmentNewman also reported that the union is supporting the Intl Women’s day march on March 9<sup>th</sup>; helped to sponsor a casino job fair; attended the PRT (Peer Resource Team) visit and announced the February 27<sup>th</sup> food donation day.

**The meeting was adjourned at 1:55 pm**

**Next meeting: March 8th**

#### **Proposed topics for next meeting:**

Health Information Technology (HIT) Critical Hire

Vision for Success Goal Alignment Update

Professional Development Coordinator Hiring Process

Foundations (FASC) Committee first read

Clarifying the Path – GE Themes

Minutes respectfully submitted by Teresa W. Aldredge, Secretary