

SCC Academic Senate Business Meeting Minutes (Final)– September 21, 2021, 1:30pm-3:15pm, ConferZoom

Senators Present

Aguilera, Leonor
Castellanos, Ralph
Chavez, Ricardo
Crabill, Phillip
Cummins, Shawn
Frost, Alicia
Gates, Alana
Gonzalez, Sara
Govea, Melissa
Graham, Song Le
Henry, Amanda
Howell, Scott
Johnson, Kimberly
Kramer, Jessica
Murphy, Ryan
Oase, Daniel
Salcido, Andrew
Snow, Margie
Valdos, Yanina
Van Dyke-Kao, Rita

Senators Absent

James, Scott

Guests

Dennis, Jeffry
Fajardo, Lourdes
Guevara, Angela
Martin, DeAnna
Petrocelli, Rachel
Proppe, Jean
Stringer, Martin
Tragarz, Roberta

SCC-AS Executive Board Present

Rutan, Craig, President
Taylor, Mike, Vice President
Kubicka-Miller, Tara, Secretary/Treasurer
Diaz, Darlene, CIC Chair

I. Welcome

- A. Santiago Canyon College Academic Senate (SCC-AS) President Craig Rutan called the meeting to order at 1:30pm on Tuesday, September 21, 2021

II. Approval of Agenda

07 September 2021 agenda approved unanimously (Moved by S. Gonzalez, Seconded by A. Gates)

III. Public Comments

- A. In support of Resolution F2021-01 senate guest R. Tragarz shared personal experiences of antisemitism and suggests changing the title to “Addressing Anti-Semitism through Education and Holocaust Remembrance”, so it does not sound like we are teaching antisemitism. Also suggesting an edit to the first “resolved” that eliminates outside

groups from reviewing another department's curriculum as she is concerned of what the impact of this would be.

- B. Guest - Spoke on behalf of a colleague to provide support of hiring a full-time faculty position in the Education Department.
- C. Guest - Shared personal and department support in favor of Resolution F2021-01 while providing statistics on antisemitism in our country.
- D. Guest - Spoke in support of hiring a full-time faculty position in Water Utility Science.
- E. Guest - Announced that the Faculty Excellence Lecture will be postponed to the 3rd week in March of Spring 2022 at 1:30pm. Specific date will be announced later.
- F. Guest - Faculty Excellence Recipient offered thanks in the decision to delay the Faculty Excellence Presentation.

IV. Approval of Minutes

- A. 7 September 2021 approved unanimously. (Moved by S. Cummins, seconded by A. Gates) Abstentions: D. Oase

V. SCC-AS Executive Board Reports

A. SCC-AS President Rutan

1. Colleges have two years to complete the faculty obligation number. The way the numbers line up, the district is under no obligation to hire any faculty this year. The district has agreed to hire 10 district faculty. The number SCC will get to hire has yet to be finalized but will likely be four in total. Three credit and one non-credit full-time faculty.
2. SCC's credit enrollment is down 15%. SAC is up which allows the district to be up.
3. We were awarded the Evolving the Support Structure for STEM students Title III HSI grant. This will allow Guided Pathways money to shift from STEM to other areas.
4. Gov. Newsome has signed AB361, allowing the legislative bodies to stay remote for the rest of the semester. All senators must have cameras on during SCC-AS meetings.
 - a) Guest Question - Is the public comments the platform for departments to promote faculty hires? Response - if the comment is about something under senate authority the comments are allowed. The senators are not required to take the comments into consideration.

B. SCC-AS Vice President Taylor

1. Looking for a faculty member to join the District Human Resources Committee (HRC). They meet from 3:30-5:00pm on the 3rd Wednesday of the Month.

C. SCC-AS Secretary/Treasurer Kubicka-Miller

1. SAC Senate report -
 - a) Dr. Jeff Lamb discussed the several phases of the reorganization proposals going to college council.

- b) Began discussion of hiring requests.
 - c) Discussed faculty survey on whether convocation is preferred on Tuesday or Friday.
2. TAG report -
- a) Moving to a single sign in page no longer using Webadvisor username - we'll be using our full email address. Goes live mid-October - all related to self-service.
 - b) Faculty drop with immediate roster results is being implemented. It was a special order.
 - c) Randomly submitted names of 3000 students and 500 were fraudulent. So, cleaning rosters and paying attention to regular and effective contact is critical.
 - d) Minus the fields, we are in progress of having Wi-Fi accessibility across the campus.
 - e) SCC website is being redesigned. End of Spring/Beg of summer launch. Very cool! There's going to be an element of customizable creation for individuals and designed with cell phones in mind. Very student centric.

D. CIC Chair Diaz

- 1. CIC is fun and looking for an at-large member to join in on the fun!
- 2. Resolutions will be coming for a department change from Water Utility Science to change to Water and Wastewater Technology, and a new department, Vocational Real Estate, in noncredit.

E. Santa Ana College - No SAC Senate Representative was in attendance.

F. Associated Student Government - No ASG Representative was in attendance.

VI. Action Items

First Reading

A. Resolution F2021.01 – Antisemitism Instruction and Holocaust Remembrance

(Motion to Discuss by K. Johnson, seconded by A. Gates)

- 1. SCC-AS President Rutan explained that the first “resolved” was changed by the author. Since a public comment was made regarding outside groups making changes to other department curriculum, President Rutan explained it is never recommended for someone without discipline expertise to change curriculum content. It should also be noted that curriculum does not belong to the discipline, it belongs to the college. Therefore, CIC has authority to change any part of a course to allow for approval. Of course, it would be best if the experts in the discipline approve the curriculum, so the work gets implemented. This resolution does not require anyone other than history faculty review curriculum.
- 2. Senator Comment - Support was offered for the title to change as proposed by Prof. Tragarz. The title will be changed to “Addressing Anti-Semitism through Education and Holocaust Remembrance” for the second reading.

3. Senator Comment - History department is in favor of the language change in the first "resolved" to be associated with the 5-year review and is eager to hear from other disciplines if they have coursework that applies.
4. Senator Comment - Departments were reminded that they can contact the curriculum office if they would like anything to be reviewed under the Cultural Curriculum Audit Program once it gets started.
5. Senator Comment - Also communicated support of the title change proposed by Professor Tragarz and communicated a concern of the curriculum reviewing coursework without the expertise of the subject specialists. CIC Chair Diaz indicated that what was stated in the 1st "Resolved" was a reflection of what CIC currently did. Senator Salcido responded that, perhaps, if it was unnecessary, then we could eliminate the Resolved. SCC-AS President Rutan added that the we may not want to eliminate the first Resolved because it wasn't exactly what CIC did and because it made specific suggestions beyond CIC's current role.

B. Resolution F2021.02 – Endorse the Approval of BP5215 (Motion to Discuss by A. Gates, seconded by S. Gonzalez)

1. Senator Comment - Communicated concern that the personal exemption statement renders the mandate completely ineffective. SCC-AS President Rutan informed the senate that this was the argument the chancellor made at the board meeting. However, a trustee made it clear they would not vote to approve if it were not included. President Rutan also noted the MOU negotiated by FARSCCD related to that policy (that was sent out for a vote this week) did not include the personal exemption.

C. Resolution F2021.03 – Creation of Program Plan Summaries for All Degrees and Certificates (Motion to Discuss by R. Castellanos, seconded by A. Gates)

1. Question from senator - If approved would this be the standard format for every program? SCC-AS President Rutan explained that the maps are standard, job outlooks are unique to each discipline. The template may change.
2. CIC Chair Diaz reminded everyone that the online catalogue has labor market information included.

D. Resolution F2021.04 – Creation of Collegial Governance Task Force (Motion to Discuss by A. Gates, seconded by R. Castellanos)

E. Resolution F2021.05 – Adoption of New Instructional Modalities (Motion to Discuss by R. Castellanos, seconded by A. Gates)

1. Comment by CIC Chair Diaz - Any course that wants to continue teaching online-based instruction (including remote live or remote blended) after the fall semester, needs to have a DEA because as of now the emergency DEA's will no longer be viable. Chair Diaz reminded the senate that any online instruction after the fall will not receive full apportionment.

2. A senator shared that non-credit has increased their enrollment in part due to a commitment to faculty becoming online certified as career ed students are looking for online instruction.
3. Senator question - If online instructors are required to provide the same amount of instruction, why are we paid less? SCC-AS President explained that the accounting factors for asynchronous education only considers the number of units and doesn't consider the hours involved in education. In person education acknowledges a ten-minute break for every hour taught. For further information, The Student Attendance and Accounting Manual includes explanations of these rules.

VII. Discussion Items

A. Instructional Calendar

1. A Senator shared concerns that our calendar does not support the enrollment we need because we are the last college in the area to begin in a semester. They proposed that we may see enrollment improvement if we end before Labor Day.
2. Another senator commented that another enrollment problem is how late our classes become available in comparison to other local campuses.
3. SCC-AS President Rutan explains possible changes as discussed with the FARSCCD President-
 - a) We could move the start of the semester up by one week.
 - b) We could eliminate Intersession. This would allow more variation of summer options. Doing this might encourage FARSCCD to negotiate increasing how many LHE are allowed to be taught over the summer.
4. A guest shared other college practices that provide flex opportunities in other ways that would allow SCC to eliminate flex week and change the calendar to be completed before Memorial Day.
5. Senator question - Does this affect enrollment more in the fall or spring? SCC-AS President Rutan explained this is a question being investigated. One question within this investigation is how Intersession impacts enrollment.
6. SCC-AS President Rutan suggested Senators discuss the schedule possibilities with their constituents and return with feedback. The schedules viewed with this discussion were not initially included in the agenda and are now attached below in the minutes.

Meeting adjourned, 3:13pm. (Moved by S. Gonzalez, Seconded by K. Johnson)