

SCC Academic Senate

March 3, 2020 1:30pm-3:00, A-211

Senators Present

Maria Chaidez
Phillip Crabill
Shawn Cummins
Michael Dahl
Veselka Danova
Steven Deeley
Lisa Dela Cusack
Melissa Govea
Song Graham
Scott Howell
Kim Johnson
Jessica Kramer
Ryan Murphy
Andy Salcido
Randy Scott
Barbara Sproat
Christine Umali Kopp

Yanina Valdos

Senate Executive Board Present

President Michael DeCarbo
Vice President Mike Taylor
Secretary/Treasurer Mary Mettler
CIC Chair Darlene Diaz

Senators Absent

Ricardo Chavez
Daniel Oase
Eden Quimzon
Shireen Siddiqui

ASG Representative

Aidan Kato

I. Welcome

II. Approval of Minutes

- A. Approval of the minutes pending one typographical correction from the February 18, 2020 meeting (Deeley/Howell). Passed, no dissent.

III. Public Comments

- A. Professor Dela Cusack reminded the Senate that Faculty Excellence Award nominations are being accepted until Thursday, March 12th.

IV. AS Executive Board Reports

President

- A. Dr. Regina Lamourelle was recognized by the RSCCD Board of Trustees during Black History Month for her excellence at the college.
- B. Budget Updates
 - o The original Student Center Funding Formula for 2018-19 indicated an additional \$4.5 million coming to RSCCD. Reconsideration of how the SCFF would applied for 2019-20 (removal of duplicate counts) resulted in RSCCD being a "hold harmless" district; RSCCD will earn the same amount as 2018-19 without the additional \$4.5. Additionally, there may be a deficit apportionment applied throughout the State, leading to a possible \$6.5 million at RSCCD. In response to this, the proposed action to cut \$3 million from the budget has been enacted (an offset from the State and moving of funds will allow SCC to contribute the over \$700,000 required).
- C. District Council passed an updated RSCCD Administration Regulation regarding a new key distribution policy on March 2, 2020. Though SCC faculty had many concerns about the policy, it was communicated that the new policy must go into effect as soon as possible since new keys and door are being used at Santa Ana College (SAC). Therefore, President DeCarbo requested that the new policy be labeled as a "Pilot" and be assessed biannually. This was agreed upon by District Council.
 - o If new keys are needed, please put the request in early.
 - o This new policy will be implemented slowly with new buildings at SAC.

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- The SCC ASG Representative noted when taking classes at SAC there appears to be a safety hazard when many students crowd into a small space while waiting for classroom doors to unlock.
- D. RSCCD Institutional Effectiveness Partnership Initiative (IEPI) Grant
 - One of the areas addressed during the RSCCD IEPI was evaluating the budget allocation of monies at RSCCD, SAC and SCC.
 - The Planning & Organization Effectiveness Committee will follow through with the recommendation of the IEPI to examine the allocation of financial resources at other colleges.
- E. Congratulations to the 2020-2022 Executive Senate Board:
 - Professor Craig Rutan, President
 - Professor Mike Taylor, Vice President
 - Professor Randy Scott, Secretary/Treasurer
- F. Early voting for the Measure L bond is looking positive for passage.

Vice President

A. Committee Vacancies

- The Senate Executive Board decided to allow for designees to participate on committees when representation is needed from small departments that lack faculty participants (i.e., library and DSPS). The role of the designee is to serve on behalf of and communicate to the department for which they are serving. The designee would not represent their own department interest.
- The Educational Master Planning Committee needs one science faculty member and one designee for the library faculty.
- The Enrollment Management Committee needs one designee for DSPS faculty.
- The Student Success & Equity Committee needs one designee for DSPS faculty.
- The Exceptions to Academic Regulation Committee needs one faculty member at large, preferably from Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences.

Secretary/Treasurer

- A. Kenneth Bridges, CPA can assist in moving the SCC Senate savings into a 501c3. A complex 501c3 would be \$1250 which is inclusive of filing fees. Mr. Bridges said that SCC's application and funds appear to be a simple process, so there will be some cost savings. Thank you to Professor Hall for the referral.
 - The Senate voted to commence this process and did not feel that a resolution was necessary.
- B. At the SAC Senate meeting, priorities for the spring semester were discussed.

CIC

- A. The Quinquennials list is on the CIC website. Departments that have not offered courses in the past three years that are on the list should discuss whether to offer the course and continue with a course revision, or possibly deactivate the course.
 - Quins have to be launched in a workflow by June 5th.
- B. Experimental courses criteria have changed in COCI. A Board of Trustees date is now required when submitting to the state. If an experimental course (098 or 198 course) is going to be offered for next semester or term, it must be on the first CIC agenda of the semester prior. If not, there is no guarantee that it will be offered.

Enrollment Management

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- C. The SCC enrollment management tool that was used to assist the Senate with the faculty hiring process was not accounting for students taking apprenticeship classes and non-resident students. Now, the data will include those students.

V. ASG Report

- A. Club Rush is happening this week and free lunch will be available to students.
- B. Taco Tuesday will be March 17th.
- C. March 18th will be a food fundraiser.
- D. ASG will provide a "grab a meal" and stress less during midterms.
- E. ASG is exploring new discount cards for local business to give to students.
- F. ASG elections will have a new format this semester as voting will take place for all positions. In the past the ASG president appointed students to positions.
- G. A statewide new Community College Student Health Fee would raise the rate from \$19 to \$21. ASG will examine whether or not to support this change.
- H. ASG would like to increase scholarships for ASG students and they are exploring fundraising efforts, as well as matching funds.

VI. Discussion Items

A. **Signature Programs**

There was a discussion regarding a preliminary investigation into SCC Signature Programs.

Discussion included:

- There are too many programs.
 - Only one dynamic program should be a Signature Program.
- There should be a focus on unique programs or programs not offered at other colleges.
- Currently, the Signature Program website is difficult to navigate to, and is therefore, not a good marketing tool.
 - A link should be on the home page.
 - Now, with SCC having more web support, Signature Programs can have a larger presence.
- Resource Requests should not garner more consideration if tied to a signature program.
 - A later comment indicated Signature Program only provide a slight advantage
- Student input should be allowed when determining Signature Programs.
- The Signature Program presentations to the Senate are valuable.
- President DeCarbo reviewed history of SCC's Signature Programs
- It was recommend that a group be formed to evaluate Signature Programs and report back to Senate.
 - A straw poll was taken: 6 voted to get rid of Signature Programs and 9 voted to fix it.
- This topic will be put on a future Senate agenda.

B. **Student Conduct Posting**

A summary of the key points from the Senate Retreat was discussed. Discussion included:

- Professors need to be supported with advocacy and training around student conduct issues.
 - Culture needs to be addressed for the safety of professors and students.
- The Senate faculty need to bring recommendations about advocacy and training to the Student Conduct Committee since faculty are on the front line with student issues.
- The Student Conduct Posting
 - The Board Policy Committee decided that the posting with the "mission" and the AR was bootstrapping; using one policy to enforce a vague concept without legal definition.
 - The Board recommended separating the two signs.

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- One sign will contain the “mission”: SCC is committed to maintaining a safe environment where students can learn, communicate, act, and think critically. Civility is expected with the exercise of free speech.
- The other will contain the items the Senate decides most pertinent from AR 5500.
 - Senators will select three items believed to be the most relevant from the AR 5500 and send to President DeCarbo.
 - These responses will be compiled and appear for further discussion.

C. *Baccalaureate Program*

President DeCarbo discussed that there is a push across the State to expand the Baccalaureate Degrees at the community colleges. In order to provide Chancellor Martinez with more information, it was requested of the senators to ask constituents for any feedback about any type of expansion of the program.

- In 2014 SCC passed resolution (F2014.5) against having a Bachelor's Program.
- Feedback from constituents will be discussed at an upcoming Senate meeting.

D. *C.S.U. Fullerton Partnership*

CSU Fullerton is impacted for transfer students, and during discussion with President Hernandez and Chancellor Martinez, they have requested that SCC look at solutions to help their impacted programs.

- One suggestion was for CSU Fullerton to accept more classes/electives beyond the 70 unit threshold before transfer.
- One professor experienced a collaborative effort with CSU Fullerton that infringed on Academic Freedom and brought no benefit to SCC or its students.

VII. Move to adjourn (Deeley/Johnson). Passed, no dissent