Cabrillo College Faculty Senate

Tuesday, October 19, 2010
3:10 - 5:04 pm
Sesnon House

In Attendance: Eva Acosta, Dave Balogh, Joseph Carter, Jean Gallagher-Heil, Joseph Gomez, John Govsky, Steve Hodges, Calais Ingel, Renee Kilmer, Denise Lim, Michael Mangin, Diego Navarro, Lenny Norton, JoAnn Panzardi, Francisco Ponce, Dan Rothwell, Letitia Scott-Curtis, Deborah Shulman, Topsy Smalley, Alex Taurke, Sylvia Winder, Beth Regardz, Adriene Sexton

Note Taker: Carina Hilmar

Guests:

1.0 Call to Order
  1.1 The meeting was called to order at 3:10 PM.

2.0 Minutes
  2.1 October 5, 2010 meeting minutes were reviewed. Amendments to the attendance list and Item 4.2. were made. The Senate moved, seconded, and approved the minutes of October 5, 2010 meeting.

3.0 Reports
  3.1 President (Steve Hodges)
    3.1.1 Steve Hodges reported that he served at two students disciplinary meetings.
    3.1.2 Steve Hodges asked to for a volunteer to the staff development committee. John Govsky (as a Faculty Senate appointee) and Marcy Alancraig (as SLO coordinator) are currently serving in that capacity and we need to appoint one more representative. No candidate was identified.
    3.1.3 The faculty senate group photo will be taken at the beginning of the next meeting on November 2nd.
  3.2 Vice President (Letitia Scott-Curtis)
    3.2.1 Letitia Scott-Curtis reported she will be serving on a student discipline hearing meeting in the next week.
  3.3 Secretary (John Govsky)
    3.3.1 John Govsky reported that he will follow up on restoring the link to the faculty senate page.
  3.4 Treasure (Lenny Norton)
    3.4.1 Lenny Norton reported that the Senate has money available.
    3.4.2 Lenny Norton reported that he is having issues receiving 1TU of compensation or release time due to serving as our treasurer. He and Steve Hodges will keep the Senate informed about this issue as appropriate.
  3.5 CCFT (John Govsky) - no report
3.6 CCEU (Rick Fillman) - briefly commented on the fact that the district typically estimates higher-than-actual expenditures in the budget, and he encourages the Faculty Senate to bring forth an alternate budget.

3.7 Watsonville (Eva Acosta) - reported that many students are not aware that there is will be no winter session.

3.8 ASCC (Jospeh Gomez)
   3.8.1 On October 7th the student Senate welcomed a new senator.
   3.8.2 The student Senate is working with Calpirg and the food bank to organize a food drive.
   3.8.3 The student Senate awarded a $70 scholarship to Naomi Doran.
   3.8.4 The bike racks in front of new health complex interfere with the access for disabled students and will therefore be relocated.
   3.8.5 Jospeh Gomez was assigned to be the student Senate representative for the transportation committee.

3.9 SLO Assessment Coordinator (Marcy Alancraig) - no report

3.10 VPI (Renee Kilmer)
   3.10.1 Renee Kilmer reported that the Governing Board will be having a special session on Staff Development on November 15th at 5:00 pm.
   3.10.2 Renee Kilmer reported that there are 6 proposals for the faculty hiring process. We will prioritize them at our next session.
   3.10.3 Renee Kilmer reported that a shooting in Watsonville, near the campus center, had taken place. It is probably related to a robbery and not to the college.

4.0 Unfinished or Ongoing Business

4.1 Budget Discussion - The main point of the discussion was to figure out if, and how the Senate should express concerns about the budget to the Governing Board. One of the main concerns is the question if there should be budget cuts when the statistics from the last years show that the projected expenditures have generally been significantly higher than the actual expenditures. Steve shared a document that he distributed at the most recent CPC meeting that graphed the difference in the projected general fund expenditures and the actual final budget expenditures over the last five years. Paul Harvell, CCFT president, presented 5 different methods of looking at the budget that showed that there is no demonstrable need for bargaining unit concessions or other budget cuts at this time. The Senate came to the conclusion that Steve Hodges should express the Senate’s concern about the accuracy of some of numbers being used to drive the budget planning, for example the $1.6M cut targeted to instruction form Brian King’s October 9th email to all@cabrillo, as well as the process being used to determine budget cuts. At this time, the senate will not present any proposals to the Governing Board.

5.0 New Business

6.0 Open Forum

7.0 Adjourn