

The De Anza Academic Senate

Approved Notes of the meeting of

May 13th, 2013

Senators and Officers present: Anderson-Watkins, Chenoweth, Chow, Cruz , Donahue, Freeman, Glapion, Guevara, Hanna, Kryliouk, Lao, Larson, Leonard, McCart, Mitchell, Schaffer, Setziol, Sullivan, Swanner, Tiwana, and Truong

Senators and Officers Absent: Bryant, Hamilton, Mjelde, Singh, and VonMatt

DASB: FA Liaison:

Classified Senate: Curriculum Co Chair:

Administrative Liaison: Rowena Tomaneng

Director of Diversity, Social Justice, and Multicultural Ed.:

Guests:

Faculty and Staff Development:

[NOTE: Item numbers are reflective of agenda numbers in the order they are actually taken up at the meeting.]

The meeting was called to order at 2:34, a quorum being present.

I. Approval of Notes and Agenda: Chow announced that Item V, Equity Update and SLO Convocation Follow Up was being withdrawn and that she would like two possible resolutions to be added to item VI. The agenda was then approved as amended without objection. The notes of the meeting of May 6th were approved as distributed.

II. Needs and Confirmations: Chow began by announcing that Wendy Lao was stepping down as a part time representative due to that fact that she has accepted a full time position outside the college. **It was MSCU (Sullivan/Leonard)** to put out a call for candidates for Interim Part Time Representative for the remaining four meetings of the academic year. Hanna once again passed around the election table sign up sheet, this time for two reasons, one to fill the one remaining time slot and the other for people to remind themselves of the hours for which they had already volunteered to serve.

III. Senate Root Beer Social request: Chow began the item by saying that the \$3.50 per person charge quoted by Patrick Gannon of De Anza Dining seemed too high to her and that she was looking for alternatives such as a student connection with Baskin Robbins ice cream. After discussion exploring cost per person relative to the number of people likely attending as well as possible dates, it was MSCU (Leonard/Guevara) to approve up to \$500 for an event June 12th from 1:00 to 2:30 PM with Chow being empowered to decide details including the provider(s) of refreshments.

IV. IPBT and SSPBT APRU Update: The deans have now submitted the division level Annual Program Review Updates to the IPBT. The SSPBT will be meeting each

Wednesday at 1:30 PM in the Seminar Building conference room for the remainder of the month to review program reviews.

V. Draft of Senate Response to Materials Fees Plus Other Ideas for Resolutions:

Chow began by distributing a draft resolution. Responses to this comprehensive resolution were many and supportive in principle. One suggestion was made to split the resolution into two, with the first focusing on the immediate critical need to augment B budgets for 2013-2014 in order to fund the printing of tests and other materials critical to teaching, learning, and assessment which could not reasonably be shifted to other means of delivery. A second resolution would then encompass all the other ideas in the existing draft, including especially the idea that the augmentation in the first resolution would provide sufficient time for faculty to develop alternate means where appropriate. Chow will return with new language reflecting the discussion.

Setziol presented two draft resolutions, one of which he characterized as a discussion stimulus more than a serious resolution and the other a starting point for the group to pick up. The one characterized as a discussion stimulus was a response to SB520 (Steinberg) calling for facilitation by all segments of higher education of the use of Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs) for college credit for up to 50 courses. This bill and the idea behind it have been very controversial and uniformly opposed by faculty groups. The second one introduced concerned exploring possible action in response to recent brain research and behavioral studies showing very negative effects of so called multi tasking and social media and related technologies which facilitate addiction to short attention span stimuli. In particular, he focused on resulting incapacity to concentrate for a productive amount of time even when “multi taskers” were not “multi tasking” because of what a researcher called “self imposed attention deficit disorder”. The Senators were asked to consider possible actions.

VI: Review of Senate Logo and Website Ideas: Chow showed the group a couple of student ideas for reorganizing the Academic Senate website as well as ideas for a new logo. She will return with further ideas on the website and will show the current logo alongside proposed logos for the group to consider.

VII. Good of the Order: - The Campus Center board is considering a television use policy. Those with thoughts on the matter were asked to see Sullivan.
- Cruz announced that she had in her possession and was selling raffle tickets as a fund raiser for Deferred Action dream act students.

The meeting was adjourned at 4: 32