

The De Anza Academic Senate

Approved Notes of the meeting of June 11th, 2012

Senators and Officers present: Chenoweth, Chow, Donahue, Freeman, Glapion, Guevara, Hanna, Kryliouk, Larson, Lee-Wheat, Maynard, Mitchell, E. Lee, S. Lee, Leonard, Setziol, Schaffer, Suits, Sullivan, Swanner, Truong, and VonMatt

Senators and Officers Absent: Ahrens, Botsford, Castaño, Cruz, Nguyen, Quintero, Singh, and Tiwana

DASB:

Classified Senate:

Administrative Liaison: Rowena Tomaneng and Rich Schroeder

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

Guests: Angela Caballero de Cordero, Rich Hansen, Paula Joseph, Wanda Lee, Gregory Anderson, Kulwant Singh

Curriculum Co Chair:

Faculty and Staff Development: Jackie Reza

[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 2:31, a quorum being present.

I. Approval of Notes and Agenda: The agenda was approved as distributed at the meeting after an explanation of changes from the previously distributed version. The notes of June 4th were approved after a correction of the date.

II. Administrative and Peer Evaluation (2nd Reading): The new draft was presented as containing language in response to the group's previously raised concerns worked out through the FA-Senates Liaison group. After discussion and one further suggestion for clarification **it was MSCU (Sullivan/Hanna)** to approve the form. It was also suggested that the FA provide some sort of step by step guide for faculty.

IV. Needs and Confirmations: Moto Ohtake, Ilan Glasman, and Ameeta Tiwana were confirmed for the Studio Art faculty Tenure Review Committee. Alex Kramer, Diana Fleming, and Janice Hector were confirmed for service on the Amy Leonard Tenure Review Committee. Julie Pesano, Luis Limcolioc, and Carol Cini were confirmed for service on the Kim Palmore Tenure Review Committee. There is a great need for at large tenure review volunteers. Swanner and Sullivan expressed an interest and will contact Marcia Maiero. There is a need for a faculty member on the Financial and Educational Resources PBT (FERPBT). For next

year, one tenured faculty member from the Executive Committee is needed to join one of the officers on the Tenure Review Due Process Panel. The panel is a six member (two each from Administration, FA, and the Academic Senate Executive Committee) group from which three address grievances on an ad hoc basis. Tenure review due process grievances were said to be quite rare.

III. Commencement Update: Paula Joseph addressed the group on a number of changes in the logistics of commencement this year due to construction at the usual location on campus. The ceremony will be held on the Homestead High School campus June 30th. Attendees are requested to park cars on Mary avenue and to walk North along Mary and then across the Mary avenue Footbridge which ends at Homestead High School. Volunteers are requested to help with lining up the procession and to arrive by 7:30. People interested in volunteering are asked to please contact Paula Joseph via electronic mail. The ceremony is due to start precisely at 9:00 AM. High heels will not be permitted and will be monitored by Joseph herself. For these and other details, Senators were told to tell their colleagues that information is available on a special graduation ceremony webpage link from the college website.

V. Confirmation of Bob Cormia as District Senate President: Chow read and projected a brief biography of Cormia who was confirmed unanimously.

VI. Update on Joint PBT Meeting: Lee-Wheat began by making a statement of general concern coming out of the joint meeting. The concern was for diversity of staff at the college. Given seniority, any sizable reduction of the staff will have the effect of diminishing diversity. The rest of the item focused on information coming from the SSPBT and its ramifications for the college and community. For example, Admissions and Records would see greatly reduced service levels including hours of service, more than at first anticipated due to the loss of student workers, upon which the office is heavily dependent and a variety of Student Services programs would collapse for want of staff.

The group was reminded that all specific ideas discussed are just that, ideas at this stage. The PBTs have not yet determined probable “domino effects” of ideas presented to date.

A question was raised but not answered as to whether or not there have been or will be conversations between representatives of nearby districts to prevent situations like De Anza thinking that students will be able to take subject X in an West Valley at the same time West Valley is thinking students will be able to take subject X at De Anza with a result of subject X being dropped from both.

Finally, in a tangentially related development, there was news of the legislature approving a pilot program allowing colleges to charge a much higher fee for certain classes.

VII. Senate Year End 2012-2013 Visioning Party: Chow introduced the concept of a positive approach to what might turn out to be a difficult 2012-2013 academic year, including refreshment and some lighthearted touches. It was MSCU(Hanna/Leonard) to approve up to \$250 for the happenings at the meeting of June 18th.

VIII. Good of the Order: - Approximately 1,000 children participated in a triathlon at De Anza where there was much excitement in the swimming pool including multiple opportunities for newly certified lifeguards to try out their skills for real. See Donahue if interested in either of two coupons.

- An event was announced for the Euphrat celebrating De Anza authors and focusing on Cynthia Kaufman and Kei Fisher.
- A candlelight vigil promoting suicide prevention was announced.
- The annual Latina/Latino dinner was announced as being Friday, June 15th.
- The annual Caracci golf tournament benefiting the De Anza Automotive Technology department held Friday, June 8th was a success, raising over \$7,000 for the program and its students.

The meeting was adjourned at 4: 10