



Palo Verde College
ACADEMIC SENATE

2014-2015

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MINUTES

Tuesday, March 3, 2015

Boire, Joe; Brown, The-Min; Burgeson, Sharron; Castillo, Richard; Danson, Alex; Garcia, Alejandro; Gaubeca, Michael; Hernandez, Victor; Martinez, Peter; Medina, Carlos; Raman, Biju; Redwine, Karen; Rhoades, Michael; Rinaldi, Joseph Henry; Rivera, Hortensia; Robertson, Robert; Sher, Sandra; Shibalovich, Paul; Silva, David; Smith, Willie; Snider, Gregory; Stoeckle, Sioux; Thieboux, Brian; Turner, June; Wallace, Bruce (Needles)

Guest: Sean Hancock Vice President Student Services & Instructional Services; Shelley Hamilton A&R

- I. Call to Order: The President called the meeting to order at 3:02pm
- II. Pledge of Allegiance: The President recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
- III. Public Comment: Speaker Dr. Sean Hancock--The commission want us to comply with (recommendation #6) a policy in both areas distance and correspondence education. They want to make sure we have a process/policy in place. In essence, a process with how students are authenticated and/or identified in these areas making sure those receiving credit are registered and have a secure login. Dr. Hancock discovered that the missing link had to do with not having a policy in place for our distance education and correspondence learning environment. So, that will change with the proposed language below:

Amendment for consideration

Academic Honesty in Online and Correspondence Courses

As a Palo Verde College student, when you are given access to The Bridge, our online course software, you are expected to keep confidential your username and password and to never allow anyone else to log-in to your account. Sharing access or passwords to The Bridge is considered a breach of academic integrity and could result in you being removed from your class.

When you log-in to The Bridge, you do so with the understanding and agreement to produce your own work, to complete course activities yourself, and to take course exams, tests or quizzes without the assistance of others.

Allowing others to complete your course work or to take your quiz, test, and exams is considered cheating and could subject you to receiving an "F" for the course. In addition, this type of dishonesty can result in formal disciplinary action being taken against you by the college. Please take time to review the following policy on Student Conduct. If you have questions about your work in an online course, be sure to ask your instructor.

Dr. Hancock introduced this new added section for the catalog that was presented at the senate meeting for consideration and adoption. This new section will be added to our catalog. It would be found between academic honors code and student conduct. This is the only item of discussion he requested for the senate's approval.

- V. Motion to adopt the Minutes: **No minutes available this was a Special Meeting requested**

- VI. Motion to adopt the Agenda: **Tuesday, March 3, 2015**

First: Victor Hernandez

Second: David Silva

Approval of Agenda: Unanimously

New Business:

New discussion and adoption of the Palo Verde College of the academic integrity amendment. The policy was submitted by email, as well as, presented at the academic senate. If a students is unclear or received a failing grade, the student will need to meet with the instructor.

