



Palo Verde College Academic Senate
2015-2016

Biju Raman, President

David Silva, Vice President

Peter Martinez, Secretary

AGENDA

Tuesday, April 12, 2016
CL 129/Needles via I.T.V, 3:00 PM

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- III. PUBLIC COMMENTARY

*The public (non-senators) is welcome to address the Senate about items on the agenda only. Each speaker has a time limit of **five minutes**. While a speaker has the floor, Senators will refrain from comments, questions, discussion, and call for action.*

- IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Tuesday – march 8, 2016
- V. ADOPTION OF AGENDA
- VI. OLD BUSINESS

(1) Feedback from divisions regarding the reclassification process – Biju/David/Peter

- VII. NEW BUSINESS

(1) Resolution for consideration to adopt O.E.R in atleast 10 section with a cost reduction of 30% - 1st read - Biju Raman/Hortensia Rivera

Whereas, the significant rise in costs of textbooks is a barrier to college attendance, student access, and student success;

Whereas, many colleges are interested in reducing the cost of textbooks to increase student access to necessary course materials; and

Whereas, the intent of the College Textbook Affordability Act of 2015 (AB 798, Bonilla, 2015) is to reduce costs for college students by encouraging faculty to accelerate the adoption of lower cost, high-quality, open educational resources (OER);

Resolved, That the Academic Senate of Palo Verde College support efforts to increase student access to high-quality open educational resources and reduce the cost of

textbooks and supplies for students in course sections for which open educational resources are to be adopted to accomplish cost savings for students.

- (2) Submission of CLO data on same day as final grades at the end of the fall, spring, summer session – 1st read – Biju Raman

Whereas, the submission of SLO data for the course level outcomes forms the basis of the FLEX day discussions at Palo Verde College;

Whereas, the discussion of the aggregation of the outcomes is expected to take place across different modalities of instruction during FLEX days;

Whereas, the continuation of this SLO process is expected whether ACCJC or any other accrediting body is appointed;

Resolved, that the faculty urge the administration to procure, establish and train faculty members on an appropriate method of collecting and mining the SLO data using a software package like elumen or SLO – Cloud or suitable alternative;

Resolved, that the faculty agree to continue submitting all course level outcomes at the same time as the final grades at the end of the fall and spring terms and summer sessions if necessary.

REPORTS

Officers

President

As per AB1725: 10+1: Other professional and academic matters

Vice President

Secretary

Committees

Standing, Ad Hoc, and Special

Academic Standards—Raman

Basic Skills—Raman

Curriculum—Rivera

Equivalency—Robertson

Flex—Snider

Scholarship—Medina

Student Learning Outcomes—Frid

Representation

Accreditation/Budget—Thieboux

Articulation & Transfer- Dagnino

3SP/ Enrollment management/Equity—Rivera

Distance Learning- Lilley-Edgerton

Foundation— Turner

Facilities/ security task force—Snider

Faculty and Staff Diversity—Wallace

Program Review—Frid

Staff Development—Garcia

VIII. OPEN FORUM

The floor is open to discuss any business that the Senate may need to address, review, or act upon in future session.

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS

The floor is open for any announcements about activities and events happening at Palo Verde College and in the community.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Please remain in assembly until the President closes the meeting.

~~September 8, 2015~~

~~October 13, 2015~~

~~November 10, 2015~~

~~December 8, 2015~~

~~February 9th, 2016~~

~~March 8th, 2016~~

April 12th, 2016

May 10th, 2016