

Tuesday, May 11, 2021 Academic Senate Meeting

Palo Verde Community College One College Drive, Blythe, CA - CS 123/124 (ITV held at 725 West Broadway, Needles, CA) 3:00 p.m.

Academic and Professional Concerns of the faculty are discussed as per AB 1725: 10+1 areas

Academic Senate Officers: President: Sarah Frid

Vice President: Rosa Linda Martin

Secretary: Nidhi R. Patel

1. Opening of Meeting

Subject 1.1 Call to Order

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Category 1. Opening of Meeting

Access Public

Type Procedural

Subject 1.2 Roll Call

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Category 1. Opening of Meeting

Access Public

Type Procedural

Subject 1.3 Unanimous Consent

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Category 1. Opening of Meeting

Access Public

Type Action, Procedural

Unanimous Consent is a manner of expedited voting where only those who oppose a motion will speak when that has been brought to a vote. If no one opposes, then the voting item is "passed". If a single person opposes, that will trigger a roll call vote.

Subject 1.4 Minutes from April 13, 2021

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Category 1. Opening of Meeting

Access Public

Type Action, Minutes

Recommended Action Approve minutes from 04-13-2021 Academic Senate meeting.

Minutes View Minutes for Apr 13, 2021 - Academic Senate Meeting

File Attachments

GMT20210413-215251_Academic-S.mp3 (56,222 KB)

Subject 1.5 Adoption of Agenda

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Category 1. Opening of Meeting

Access Public

Type Action

Recommended Action Adopt this agenda.

This meeting is being recorded.

File Attachments

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2. Public Commentary

Subject 2.1 Public to Address the Senate on Agenda Items

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Category 2. Public Commentary

Access Public

Type Procedural

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.

Pursuant to the Brown Act Government Code Section 54954.2(a): "No action or discussion shall be undertaken on any item not appearing on the posted agenda, except that members of a legislative body or its staff may briefly respond to statements made or questions posed by persons exercising their public testimony rights under Section 54954.3."

3. Old Business

Subject 3.1 CDCR Update

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Category 3. Old Business

Access Public

Type Information

As we serve many students within the Rising Scholars Network, it is important that we know and understand the current COVID protocols at those locations. Please read through the attached memos. These are not written for us, as outside educators, but the information is important as we plan our work and expectations moving forward.

Roadmap to Reopening

There are three phases. In-person college shall return when the institution is in phase 2 so long as the classroom can meet the physical distancing requirements, which are 6 feet except when they are 3 feet and also seems to depend on whether the students are in the same housing unit.

Memo - COVID-19 Entrance Screening, Testing Procedures -

Skip to the second page: **Entrance Screening Process** for those of you who may be visiting CDCR locations over the summer or next Fall.

File Attachments

Memorandum - COVID-19 Entrance Screening, Testing Procedures and eLearning Course Revised.pdf (418 KB) Roadmap To Reopening Update 04-30-21.pdf (1,243 KB)

4. New Business

Subject 4.1 Academic Standards - Recommended Updates to Correspondence Ed Standards

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Category 4. New Business

Access Public

Type Action

Please read the attached document that was approved at the May 4, 2021, Academic Standards Committee meeting, for the specific proposed changes to the existing Correspondence Education Standards, outlined as:

- Edited "Regular, Effective Contact" section to meet new Title 5 regulations.
- Introduced four (4) new sections
 - 1. Cycle of assignment submissions & deliver of substantive feedback
 - Summer Cycle
 - Fall/Spring Cycle
 - 2. Standardized Assignment Cover Pages
 - 3. Deadline for all course materials (not just syllabus) to the Instruction Office.
 - 4. No Show/Reinstatement Policy

BACKGROUND:

Title 5, Correspondence Ed - effective May 1, 2021

§55260. Correspondence Education Definition and Application.

Correspondence courses are typically self-paced, although a regular cycle of assignment submissions and delivery of feedback should be established for facilitated learning. Correspondence education is not distance education.

§55262. Correspondence Education Instructor Contact.

In addition to the requirements of section 55002 and any locally established requirements applicable to all courses, district governing boards shall ensure that:

a. Any portion of a course conducted through correspondence education should include regular effective asynchronous contact between instructors and students, if possible, to facilitate learning. This should be

established through a cycle of assignment submissions and delivery of substantive feedback conducted at regular intervals as determined by local policy.

Students participating in courses conducted through correspondence education shall also have access to student support services, including counseling, library services and research assistance, and tutoring or learning support, via mail, email, telephone, or in-person dependent on local practice. Determinations and judgments about the quality of correspondence education under the course quality standards shall be made with the full involvement of faculty in accordance with the provisions of section 53203.

File Attachments

Proposed Changes to Correspondence Education Standards - Approved May 4, 2021 by Academic Standards Committee.docx (39 KB)

Subject 4.2 Academic Standards - Recommended Academic Honesty Letter Template

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Category 4. New Business

Access Public

Action Type

Please read the two attached template letters that were approved at the May 4, 2021, Academic Standards Committee. They both contain the same basic content, but are slightly different versions to allow for the different needs of correspondence students and face-to-face/community students.

File Attachments

AcademicDishonesty-Correspondence.docx (151 KB) AcademicDishonesty-F2F+DE template.docx (151 KB)

Subject 4.3 Changes to AP 2510 - Collegial Governance: Participation in Local Decision Making

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Category 4. New Business

Public Access

Type Action

Per Title 5, Academic Senate has an obligation to make policy recommendations to the college administration and district board of trustees. The AP 2510 defines the procedure on how our college does this. Please read the new draft AP, it is suggested that everyone reads both the red-lined version and final draft. We will be making a recommendation to the administration on the proposed changes. These changes involve, but are not limited to:

- 1. Adding a Diversity, Equity & Inclusion paragraph, in support of our adherence to Title 51201.
- 2. All Collegial Governance committees shall use BoardDocs for increased transparency and communication.
- 3. The District will rely primarily on Academic Senate in the following areas:
 - Curriculum, including establishing prerequisites and placing courses within disciplines;
 - Degree and certificate requirements;
 - Grading policies;
 - Educational program development;
 - Standards or policies regarding student preparation and success;
 - Policies for faculty professional development activities;
 - Processes for program review
- 4. The District will mutually agree with Academic Senate in the following areas:
 - District and college governance structures, as related to faculty roles;

- Faculty roles and involvement in accreditation processes, including self-study and annual reports;
- Processes for institutional planning and budget development; and
- Other academic and professional matters as mutually agreed upon between the Governing Board and the Academic Senate. Additional academic and professional matters may be added only through formal resolution of the Board.
- 5. Membership changes to some committees, please read document for specific details
- 6. Definitions of Constituency Groups

File Attachments

AP 2510 Final Draft Version 05-07-21.docx (48 KB) Current AP 2510.pdf (195 KB)

Subject 4.4 Tenure

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Category 4. New Business

Access Public

Type Action

Faculty Member	Date of Hire	Current Year of Service	Eligible for Tenure
Dr. Nidhi Patel	8/10/2017	4	August 2021

Subject 4.5 Rebrand Web Tools

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Category 4. New Business

Access Public

Type Information

Student Planning/Registration -> My PVC

- Student Success & Equity Committee is working on rebranding this web-tool to direct faculty and students to all registration, student educational planning, financial aid, grading, rosters, etc.
- The Bridge -> CANVAS
- Many other colleges simply call it CANVAS
- Resources for students (help desk, YouTube, etc) all have it branded as CANVAS
- Faculty and staff have been using the two terms (The Bridge and CANVAS) interchangeably, and it's been confusing to students

5. Reports

Subject 5.1 President

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Category 5. Reports

Access Public

Type Reports

• New Full-Time Positions

- American Sign Language
- Art
- History
- Psychology

• Athletic Director Job Description

- Administration has accepted our suggest changes
 - "Supervise, direct, and evaluate coaching and classified staff who are assigned to the athletic program."

• Considering written reports from AS Committee Representatives for Senate agendas in the future

- \circ The purpose of Senate is to make recommendations to the Administration within the areas of 10 + 1
- Having written reports means that we can have more robust reporting to the Senate as a whole and give us the ability to add items from committee reports that need our discussion/decision/etc

Subject 5.2 Vice President

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Category 5. Reports

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Type Reports

Subject 5.3 Secretary

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Subject 5.4 Curriculum Co-Chair

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Type

Subject 5.5 Articulation Officer

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Category 5. Reports

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Type

Subject 5.6 Committees

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Type Reports

Standing Committees:

- 1. Accreditation Team A. Casas
- 2. Benefits and Professional Development V. Hernandez
- 3. Budget B. Thiebaux
- 4. Curriculum J. Turner
- 5. Equal Employment Opportunity Plan P. Martinez
- 6. Foundation V. Velickovska
- 7. Facilities & Safety C. Lozoya
- 8. Guided Pathways S. Frid
- 9. Program Review T. Bolin
- 10. Strategic Planning S. Frid
- 11. Student Learning Outcomes P. Martinez
- 12. Student Success and Equity J. Singler
- 13. Technology C. Hettige/A. Edradan

Academic Senate Sub-Committees:

- 1. Academic Standards
- 2. Equivalency S. Redwine
- 3. Flex S. Redwine
- 4. Scholarship C. Medina

Academic Senate Task Force:

- 1. Faculty Handbook Task Force R. Martin
- 2. Student Learning Outcomes Task Force V. Velickovska

6. Open Forum

Subject 6.1 Open Floor for Discussion

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Type

Any business that the Senate may need to address, review, or act upon in future session.

7. Announcements

Subject 7.1 Open Floor for Announcements

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Category 7. Announcements

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Туре

Any activities and events happening at Palo Verde College and in the community.

8. Adjournment of Meeting