



Palo Verde College

Academic Senate Minutes

Tuesday, September 9, 2008

Minutes pending approval

- I. **Meeting was called to order at 3:05 p.m. in room CL 101**
 - A. Mr. Martinez, as introduction to the meeting, provided a short message where he welcomed all returning and new faculty members.
 - B. Mr. Martinez reminded all the members present of donating Sick Days towards Doretha Jones... this is due to her illness.
 - C. No flag salute.
 - D. Approval of Minutes- Robert Robertson moved to approve; Earl Turner seconded the motion as well as the members present.
 - E. Approval of Agenda – Robert Robertson moved to approve; Earl Turner seconded the motion as carried with the members present.
- II. **HEARING OF CITIZENS-**
 - A. **Special Guest Speaker: Dr. James Hottois-** Provided members present an update on the current status of the State Budget. He indicated that, “NO NEWS IS... NO NEWS”. He proceeded by providing members present the article, “Esteem Two-year Colleges” and processed the information discussed in the article. As closure, he reminded all the members present that on September the 24th the Chambers of Commerce and the City of Blythe will be hosting the annual “Welcome Back” party for all teachers and staff.
 - B. **Callista Lavigne-** Special Programs, BSI- Provided information pertaining to the acceptance and success of the EOPS Early Alert Referral Form. Louise Gallan interjected that this is an element of the Basic Skill Initiative. She reminded all the members present to volunteer themselves and to provide students with tutoring services... until the budget is signed. Louise indicated that there are limited tutoring services available at the Learning Skill Center. And that she could use assistance from all teaching staff.
- III. **Committee Reports-** Tabled
- IV. **Old Business-** None

V. **New Business- Palo Verde College- List of College Organizations and Committees. Fall Semester 2008 Senate Appointments**

a. **Committee Appointments:**

ORGANIZATIONS:

Academic Senate- Under Math& Science Division please replace S. Osayande for P. Clinton

COMMITTEES:

Articulation and Transfer- As is....

Basic Skills Initiative Committee- Please add: Richard Castillo, Salomon Osayande and Phillip Clinton. Delete Irma Dagnino, Dennese Lilley-Edgerton, Sioux Stoeckle

Budget Committee- A.S. Brian Thieboux

Catalog Committee- Add Maria "Machi" Rivera and Sandra Sher

Curriculum Committee- M. Miranda Copple is to remain as Co-Chair (AS). Under Math/Science replace Solomon Osayande for Philip Clinton.

Distance Education- Alejandro Garcia is to remain as the AS representative. Michael Rhoades, Dennese Lilley Edgerton, and Scott Peterson will serve as volunteers.

Equivalency Subcommittee- Please remove Cheryl Bruno-Mofu as the Keeper of Records and replace her with Jed Clark.

Facilities Committee- Replace Kevin Eoff as the AS rep. and replace him with Scott Paterson.

Faculty and Staff Diversity Committee- Kevin Nall is to remain in his current position

Flex Committee- Please remove Dennese Lilley-Edgerton and place Jed Clark in her position. Paul Shibalovich is to remain in his current position.

Program Review Committee- Mickey Miranda- Copple is to remain as the AS Representative

Scholarship Committee- Please add Jed Clark and Solomon Osayande; Delete Irma Dagnino, Louise Gallan, Chris Jones-Cage and Dennese Lilley-Edgerton.

Security Task Force- Dennese Lilley-Edgerton is to remain as the AS appointment. Sharon Burgeson volunteered.

Staff Development Committee- Alejandro Garcia is to remain as the AS appointment.

Student Learning Outcome Committee- Institutional Researcher- Brian Thieboux
Allied Health- Sharon Burgeson
Business- Mike Gaubecca
History- Kevin Eoff
Language/Communication- Richard Castillo
Math/Science- Jason Bram
Prof. Technologies- Joe Boire
Student Support- Steve LaVigne
Library- June Turner

Technology Committee- Earl Turner is to remain as the AS appointment.

Title III Task Force- Peter Martinez as the AS President-

Volunteers: Scott Peterson
Paul Shibalovich
Jason Bram
Sandra Sher
Philip Clinton

Peter Martinez called the meeting to adjourn, just as it had been done in the past... it was 4:00pm: Louise Gallan motioned to move the meeting until 4:30 and not to 4:00, Robert Robertson seconded the motion. Peter Martinez called the motion to vote. The vote result was: 11 members agreed upon Louise's motion, many members walked out of the meeting. Peter Martinez continued to carry the meeting until 4:30

- b. Resolution 08-09-01**- "Honorary Associates of Science Degree (First Reading- Action Item)- Philip Clinton and Kevin Eoff moved to make the following changes to the resolution: Philip Clinton requested that on item #4 to change the word Given to Presented. Kevin Eoff, on the other hand, wanted to strike the word Honorary from the title of the resolution... this due to the fact that the word Honorary does not reflect the essence of the resolution, since there was no honors on GPA, but because of where she left out . Solomon Osayande moved to approve changes to the resolution, seconded by Louise Gallan and members present. Resolution moved to second meeting for second reading.
- c. Pledge of Allegiance (Action Item)**- Louise Gallan moved to suspend discussion, Robert Robertson seconded the motion. Discussion: Kevin Eoff indicated that " It is a good thing to do" Robert Robertson objected and indicated that it was going to cause many repercussions: 1. Legally, and 2. Philosophically and Religiously. Kevin Eoff moved to suspend the action item until next meeting for all members to be present, Richard Castillo seconded the motion and members voted in favor to table to the next meeting date.