



Palo Verde College
ACADEMIC SENATE

2017-2018

Biju Raman- President

David Silva -Vice President

Peter A. Martinez-Secretary

MINUTES

Tuesday, December 12th, 2017

Attendance: Brown, Teh-Min; Copple, Derek; Castillo, Richard; Dagnino, Irma; Eoff, Kevin; Frid, Sarah; Garcia, Alejandro; Hartline, Rosanna; Hernandez, Victor; Lopez, Maria; Marciel, Jacob; Martinez, Peter; Medina, Carlos; Patel, Nidhi; Peterson, Scott; Raman, Biju; Robertson, Robert; Sher, Sandra; Shibalovich, Paul; Silva, David; Singler, Juliette; Smith, Willie; Snider, Gregory; Stoeckle, Sioux; Thieboux, Brian; Turner, June; Wallace, Bruce;

Members Absent: Boire, Joe; Gamez, Maria; Gaubeca, Michael; Lilley Edgerton, Dennese; Lozoya, Cesar; ; Osayande, Solomon, Redwine, Karen; Rinaldi, Joseph Henry; Hortensia, Rivera Stoeckle, Sioux

Class Assignment Bruno, Cheryl Mofu,

Guest(s) Maria Kehl- instructional Services Manager

- I. Call to Order: The President called the meeting to order at 3:06pm
- II. Pledge of Allegiance: The President recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
- III. **Public Comment:** Maria Kehl introduced herself as the new instructional services manager. She's looking forward starting off on the right foot.

- IV. **Motion to adopt the Minutes: November 14th, 2017**
First: Sarah Frid Second: Victor Hernandez
Approval of Minutes: Motion passed: Unanimous

Motion to Approve Agenda: December 12th, 2017

Motion to approve the agenda with the addendum:

First: David Silva Second: Sarah Frid

Approval of Agenda: Passed Unanimous

New Business

AB 705 is a line item discussion that is scheduled for further review. We have a meeting later today to fully understand all of the expectations and outcomes from this initiative. So more information will come after a sub-committee has had a chance to understand all of the dynamics. More to come in future senate meetings.

David Silva covered the topic of "*Fresh Start*" these are workshops for students on probationary status. Many of our students are on probation, so we want to provide students with additional assistance to increase their chances of being much more successful in the classroom.

BSI- A meeting will be is scheduled in the days ahead, plus Biju plans to provide some feedback during his announcement portion of the agenda.

Equivalency- Dr. Robertson reported that the committee continues to have difficulties with referrals being made to the "Equivalency" committee. In short, the committee does not have a procedure for handling referrals. So additional conversations with admin... to help relieve some of those issues.

Flex day- We're scheduled to meet January 18-19, 2018.

Scholarships- All are taking place in the spring term. A request to simplify the process is so needed. It appears that students don't have a strong handle as to how to get started, including what is expected of them. Medina stated that information for scholarships are made available for students a month before the actual due dates and details are accessible to them on the web.

SLOs- We are still doing SLOs and some of them are due this fall. All division chairs were notified as to what subject areas are due for reporting purposes.

Accreditation- We are accredited until 2020. All is good.

Articulation and Transfer- Irma sent out emails to some instructors in the subject areas of music, theater, and art on unit requirements. Irma stated this is the last semester she can do retro....on any new classes. Irma usually submits these new subject areas to the state by adopting a prior date. In short, this is a process no longer available to her. So if anyone has a new subject area that needs to be submitted you have a short timeline to get it in.

Irma also thanked everyone for allowing students to participate in her transfer day workshop... It was very successful and now it's about waiting game for students.

SSSP- Irma also made a note that coffee and goodies will be available for students for finals week. Last, Irma made an invitation to all instructors to join her in any future orientation functions the counseling department has scheduled.

January 5th is the last day for special admission for the spring semester.

Biju- also announced the new counselor/coordinator distance education person was selected. It's on the board agenda as that person will be announced.

Foundation- Denise Taylor was honored with a plaque for her time served on the foundation. David also announced that there is scholarship monies for a grant. The foundation is looking into finding additional resources to aid students.

Program Review- No activity at this point, but there is a scheduled meeting coming up.

AB705- In the last two sessions, we tried to cover the process for "Multiple Measures." Math and English are the two subject areas students must be able to complete within 1 year. The mandate calls for being ready with complete with transfer level courses within a year.

So what is the alternative, it is for that reason students must be assessed. Over the next semester, we are reviewing the legal requirements, so we can engage in high school data, and how we can develop curriculum shifts, so they (students) can complete and be ready for transfer level expectations. Palo Verde College has a 1 ½ to be in full compliance or have a sequence in place. Biju open the forum for discussion to elaborate what recommendations could be made to smooth our process and meet the actual mechanics that meets these mandates. Whatever model we follow will be decide on, it will be a process that we must agree on.

Announcements:

Dr. Singler - Wanted to share her experiences at a conference with music educators for community colleges. Colleagues among those who participated in this conference talked about *what works* and *what does not*. The vision was about becoming efficient and practical. The thrust was not based on economics, in short, preparing students for the job market. This conference was about using a different approach to achieving your success is about a discovery, making an intellectual exploration.

Tabling the meeting to our next meeting in February 13th, 2018.

Meeting Dates and time 3:00pm Room CL 129

~~September 12~~
~~October 10~~
~~November 14~~
~~December 12~~

February 13
March 13
April 10
May 8

