



Palo Verde College
ACADEMIC SENATE

2017-2018

Biju Raman- President

David Silva -Vice President

Peter A. Martinez-Secretary

MINUTES

Tuesday, February 13, 2018

Attendance: *Boire, Joe; Brown, Teh-Min; Castillo, Richard; Dagnino, Irma; Eoff, Kevin; Frid, Sarah; Maria, Gamez; Garcia, Alejandro; Gaubeca, Michael; Harline, Rosanna; Hernandez, Victor; Lilley Edgerton; Lopez, Maria; Marciel, Jacob, Martinez, Peter,; Medina, Carlos; Patel, Nidhi; Raman, Biju; Redwine, Karen; Rinaldi, Joseph; Robertson, Robert; Shibalovich, Paul; Silva, David; Singler, Juliette; Smith, Willie; Stoeckle, Sioux; Tuner, June; Wallace Bruce ITV*

Members Absent: *Copple, Derek; Lujano, Lorenzo; Lozoya, Cesar; Osayande, Solomon; Peterson, Scott; Rivera, Hortensia; Sher, Sandra; Snider, Gregory; Thieboux, Brian*

Class Assignment Bruno, Cheryl Mofu,

Guest(s) *Manuel Perez, Riverside County Supervisor*

- 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:** Manuel Perez, Riverside County Board Supervisor was present to speak to the senate body. Mr. Perez attended the senate meeting to deliver his desires to bring changes to the county, especially to the Blythe area. The supervisor is interested listening to the local residents about the needs of the area. His main goal is bring new jobs in the area, thus an alliance has been formed in the region to bring economic improvement funds. Mr. Perez focused on educational pathways, his goal is to help teachers and the college by moving forward with issues being confronted with DACA. Mr. Perez also is looking into why the Social Security Department is shutting its doors in the Blythe area.

- IV. **Motion to adopt the Minutes: December 12th, 2017**
First: Carlos Medina Second: June Turner
Approval of Minutes: Motion passed: Unanimous

Motion to Approve Agenda: February 13, 2018

Motion to approve the agenda with the addendum:

First: Victor Hernandez Second: Sarah Frid

Approval of Agenda: Passed Unanimous

New Business

Moving a few items to the top of the list, item #3 regarding the hiring of a Dean for Instruction and student services. David Silva announced the vacancy position for a Dean. Our current Dean is departing, thus a hiring committee is being formed. Any volunteers to serve on the committee are being requested by email.

Discussion about the Accuplacer, AB705 is imposing the question to the college community about the next generation of assessment tools. Among those discussions the state legislature are expecting that all students who are assessed below college level courses must be ready for college level course work within 1 year. So what do we want to do to get ready? One of the measures that we have is the Accuplacer, should we continue to use this assessment tool or replace it and rely with high school transcripts? Biju open the matter for discussion. A more modernized Accuplacer (next gen) is costly, but doubts to keep it is a debate across the state.

Increasing enrollments to face to face classes. However, if you notice this semester, we have a slight lower number of classes on campus. All online classes are based out of Needles. Biju will have more information to share at our next senate meeting. Thus, this discussion was tabled for our next meeting:

Motion to table enrollment and data collection for the March Meeting:

First: Kevin Eoff

Second: Victor Hernandez

Motion was passed: Unanimous

Committee Reports:

BSI- We met twice.

Technical Review- A meeting is scheduled for next week.

Equivalency- Dr. Hancock submitted some proposed language, it appears the information provided will be adopted. We have not had any equivalency for the past three months. We are also having a problem with the hiring committee, the problem is that we are getting request for equivalency candidates when the hiring committee already has people that handle this... thus, I don't know what to do with this....

This matter will be tabled for further discussion to our March Meeting:

Motion to table Equivalency discussion to March.

First: David Silva

Second: Kevin Eoff

Motion was passed: Unanimous

Tabling the meeting to our next meeting on March 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