



SAN DIEGO MESA COLLEGE ACADEMIC SENATE

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M I N U T E S
ACADEMIC SENATE MEETING
MARCH 10, 1997 - 2:00 P.M. - H117/118

PRESENT: Dee Barbour, Nancy Bray, Aulani Chun, Charles Collins, Denise Couch, Ailene Cua, Chris Dawes, Ronn Edmundson, Rob Fremland, Houria Graves, Ann Heck, William Hofer, Laleh Howard, Ray Hummell, Al Ickstadt, Mary Lou Locke, Laurie MacKenzie, Joe McKenzie, Robert Michaels, Val Ontell, Pianta, James Prim, Eadie Richards, Joseph Schanberger, Steven Siegal, Ray Sievers, Ross Stockwell, Carl Strona, Tom Ventimiglia, James Wales

PROXY; Nancy Bray for Barbara McLachlan

GUESTS: Dwayne Gergens, Chemistry

CALL TO ORDER: By President Mary Lou Locke at 2:05 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes of the Academic Senate meeting of February 24, 1997 were approved as amended.

M/S/U Schanberger/Ontell

OLD BUSINESS: Resolution petitioning district to fill the currently open technical support positions (97.2.1)

Therefore, be it resolved that to support utilization of technology in instruction and instructional support, the Mesa College Academic Senate urges the San Diego Community College District Board of Trustees to fill the currently open support positions, and

Be it further resolved that the Board hire additional technical support staff, and

Be it further resolved that the Board, using the shared governance process (which includes faculty, classified staff, administration, and students), create a plan for the hiring of additional technical support staff, and

Be it further resolved that said plan include, but not be limited to, a definition of terms, accurate and realistic job descriptions, and adjustments to the necessary pay schedule(s) so that they are comparable to other educational institutions in the region, and

Be it further resolved that the Board direct its representative to meet with the appropriate bargaining agent(s) to negotiate these and any other related matters.

Dwayne Gergens gave a short background of this resolution. No one spoke for or against the resolution and it passed unanimously as amended.

REPORTS:

A. Senator-at-large, Diane Barbolla. None

B. Academic Affairs, Carl Strona reported on the second draft of the Position Paper on Curriculum Balance, which was distributed for information, giving a short background of this paper. He asked that this document be read by senators and shared with other faculty. Any questions, comments, additions, should be addressed to Strona. Strona noted that this document has gone to Deans Council and Chairs Council and, once it is in its final form, it will go to Senate Executive and then come back to Senate for approval.

Strona reported on the International Education Committee that has be re-started. There will be regular reports to the Senate in the future.

Strona advised that the Academic Affairs Committee will need three new members for next year. Members serve for a 3-year term.

C. Chair of Chairs, Ed Alexander. None

D. President-elect, Jim Wales reported on

1. AB1725 Committee, which decides who gets monies for conferences and other activities. Since member Bob Michaels is resigning, the committee needs another faculty representative. Wales acknowledged the great job Bob has done.

Chris Dawes explained the inner workings of the committee and expressed that the committee is always interesting. He acknowledged Bob Michaels as a charter member and a great contributor to this committee. Senator Dawes announced that meetings are every other Friday at noon (or as needed) for about 1-1/2 hours.

2. Committee Handbook. Wales acknowledged those that have returned comments - this is the last call for input. If nothing else is received, it will be assumed that we can go forward. Feedback can be communicated to Wales in Counseling or the Academic Senate office by phone, e-mail or inter-office mail.