



**SAN DIEGO MESA COLLEGE ACADEMIC SENATE**  
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**SAN DIEGO MESA COLLEGE  
 ACADEMIC SENATE MEETING**  
**February 8, 2016: Room H117/H118 (2:15PM – 4:00PM)**  
**MINUTES**

**Present:**

Bill Brothers, Leslie Cloud, Peggy Fischer, Rob Fremland, Amanda Fusco, Veronica Gerace, Lou Ann Gibson, Guadalupe "Lupe" Gonzalez, Helen Greenbergs, Martina Hesser, Erika Higginbotham, Bill Hoefer, Laleh Howard, Sharon Hughes, Ken Kuniyuki, Cesar Lopez, Guillermo Marrujo, Jonathan McLeod, Phyllis Meckstroth, Devin Milner, Dina Miyoshi, Uriel Ornelas, Kim Perigo, Olga Pillipets, Jim Romeo, Robert Sanchez, Shannon Shi, Steven Siegel, Judy Sundayo, Tracey Walker, Walter "Duane" Wesley and George Ye

**Absent:**

Mark Abajian, Aulani Chun (Excused), Bill Clary, John Crocitti, Nellie Dougherty(Excused), Inna Kanevsky, Terry Kohlenberg (Excused), Thekima Mayasa, Michelle "Toni" Parson (Excused), Gwen Ulrich-Schlumbohm and Akunna Winston

**I. CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME** by Academic Senate President Rob Fremland @ 2:25PM.  
Parliamentarian – Jonathan McLeod/Timekeeper – Becca Arnold/Speaker Coordinator – Becca Arnold

**II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Motion to approve:

**M/S**

McLeod/Gibson

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**III. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS:**

- A. **Associated Student Government (ASG) Representative:** Senator Miriam Ahmed (No Report)
- B. **Classified Senate Representative:** President-Elect Trina Larson (No Report)

**IV. GUESTS:** Professors Leticia Lopez & Wendy Smith

- A. **Course Redesign Institute (CRI):** As reported by Leticia Lopez

1. From May 23-27, 2016, the Title V HSI / Proyecto Éxito Office will offer a Course Redesign Institute (CRI) to Mesa College contract faculty.
2. In this pilot, intensive, one-week program, there will be an introduction to the course redesign process and resources.
3. Facilitation and training are provided so that Faculty can redesign their courses to improve outcomes for students.
4. Faculty from all disciplines are welcome to apply, although there is an emphasis on redesigning gateway courses that have less than ideal success rates.
5. Participants will focus on how to use high-impact practices, data-informed research, and other proven models to redesign curriculum.
6. Total compensation will be TWO Extended Service Units (in the 2011 CBA, 1 ESU = \$837).
7. The application is available online and is due March 21st: [http://bit.ly/MesaCRI\\_application](http://bit.ly/MesaCRI_application).

**V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** November 30, 2015

Motion to approve:

**M/S**

McLeod/Romeo

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**VI. ROUND TABLE TOPICS:**

- A. James Romeo reported that he will introduce a resolution proposing that all Mesa College parking spaces (With the exception of Disabled Parking Spaces) are made available to everyone (Administrators, Faculty, Staff and Students) without having designated parking lots or reserved parking spaces.

- B. James Romeo also reported that he has discovered that it is difficult for people with mobility issues to get around our campus since he started using a cane.

1. Disability Support Programs and Services (DSPS) Department Chair Erika Higginbotham reported that our disabled students with mobility issues do have difficulty getting around campus.
  - a. Erika also reported that access is improving for our DSPS students in the new buildings.

## VII. OLD BUSINESS:

**A. Resolution 15.11.1 – Equity Restrooms (Restroom Access for English/English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) English Village Classrooms):** English Department Chair Jill Moreno-Ikari

1. English Department Chair Jill Moreno-Ikari reiterated Senator Tracey Walker's November 13, 2015 report that restrooms are not available for the seven (7) English Village bungalow classrooms.
  - a. Students taking classes in the English Village must go to the Student Services building.
  - b. Classes cannot be scheduled in the English Village after 7:00PM because the Student Services Building is closed.
2. Senate President Rob Fremland and Chair of Chairs Kim Perigo reported that the district has offered to provide portable toilets with sinks and that they received word last week that an order is being placed.
  - a. Chair Jill Moreno-Ikari reported that she was not informed that the portable toilets are being ordered.
    - Shannon Shi said Jill and the English Department should be kept informed and updated.
  - b. Jill also reported that the English department still wants a permanent solution to the issue as long as English classes are scheduled in the English Village.

Motion to approve with a friendly amendment from Becca Arnold:

**M/S** Brothers/McLeod

**UNANIMOUS**

## VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

**A. Proposed National University Memorandum of Understanding (MOU):** Mesa College MOU Committee Members Articulation Officer Juliette Parker and Transfer Center Coordinator Leroy Johnson

1. The proposed MOU was negotiated at the district level.
  - a. The Mesa, City and Miramar College MOU Committees did not receive invitations to join in the discussion or in the negotiation of the terms.
2. The Mesa College MOU Committee has provided a copy of the proposed MOU and prepared an analysis of the proposed MOU that were sent to the Senators for review, questions and feedback.

The general issues with the proposal are as follows: as reported by Juliette Parker

- a. The National University MOU proposal does not appear to align with our mission for establishing MOUs related to transfer.
  - The goal in establishing an agreement is to benefit our students in ways that do not already exist through the normal transfer and/or admission process.
- b. The overall goal of the proposal appears to be more about marketing.
- c. The proposed MOU compromises Mesa College's current goal of not providing special standing to National University or any other institution.
- d. Many elements of the proposal are already being accommodated by Mesa.
  - Other elements are those which students can participate in without MOUs.
- e. The "Reverse Transfer Credit" proposal does not align with our current acceptance and use of credit policy.
  - Reverse transfer appears to guarantee acceptance and use of credit without evaluation.
  - National University frequently changes their curriculum during the same academic year which would appear to, even more so, warrant greater scrutiny of Nationals' courses by the San Diego Community College District (SDCCD).
- f. Through the reverse transfer effort, it appears that students would pay a higher cost to obtain an SDCCD associate degree.

3. Juliette and Leroy will attend the February 29, 2016 Academic Senate meeting to answer the Senator's questions.

**B. Resolution 16.2.1 – Music Department Associate Degree for Transfer:** Professor Momilani Ramstrum

1. Momilani reported that the Mesa College Music Department is trying to get through the development of an Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT) for Music without damaging our Music program.
  - a. The resolution proposes that our Music ADT students are allowed to take additional general education courses at four-year institutions that accept our Music ADT.
    - Our students need to be able to take additional Music courses at Mesa College.
2. The item will be discussed and potentially voted upon as "Old Business" on February 29, 2016.

**C. Resolution 16.2.2 – Faculty Computer Replacement (Laptop Option):** Senator Lou Ann Gibson

1. Senator Lou Ann Gibson introduced Resolution 16.2.2 requesting that Faculty have the option of selecting a laptop computer when it is time for their computers to be replaced to use during their classes, conferences, meetings and other work related activities.
2. The item will be discussed and potentially voted upon as "Old Business" on February 29, 2016.

## IX. SENATE EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS:

**A. Vice President: Erika Higginbotham** (No Report)

**B. Secretary: Becca Arnold** (No Report)

**C. Treasurer: Ken Kuniyuki:**

1. Our account balances are \$667.64 in Checking and \$944.38 in Savings for a total of \$1,612.02
2. Senate Dues:
  - a. Ken reported that Faculty can sign up for Senate dues in PeopleSoft.

- b. Faculty can also pay dues directly to Ken.
- c. Faculty dues fund the Academic Senate's scholarships for our students.

**D. Senator at Large (1): Inna Kanevsky (No Report)**

**E. Senator at Large (2): Joe Safdie (No Report)**

**F. President: Rob Fremland**

- 1. Academic Senate Constitution:
  - a. The Senate Executive Committee held a Constitutional Convention in January and made revisions including clarifications and rearrangements.
    - The Senate Executive Committee's proposed changes have been sent to the Senators.
  - b. Jonathan McLeod is also proposing changes.
  - c. We will review the proposed changes to the constitution during the March 14, 2016 Senate meeting.
- 2. Pilot Health Information Management (HIM) Baccalaureate Program:
  - a. Rob reported that he and Curriculum Review Committee Faculty Co-Chair Toni Parsons attended an Academic Senate of CA Community College (ASCCC) meeting with representatives from the other 14 California community colleges with pilot baccalaureate degree programs.
    - There was focused discussion on course outlines and requirements for upper division courses.

**X. COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**A. Senate Executive Committees:**

- 1. Academic Affairs Committee: Chair Tina Recalde
  - a. The committee has been working on the various ways Student Success can be defined and measured.
    - The committee is working on developing a survey with Campus-Based Researcher Bri Hays to send out to the campus.
- 2. Professional Advancement Committee (PAC): Chair Lupe Gonzalez
  - a. The next submission deadline is February 10<sup>th</sup>.
  - b. Sabbaticals:
    - Please submit your applications to your Department Chairs by this Thursday (February 11<sup>th</sup>).
    - Lupe held a FLEX workshop for Faculty interested in submitting a sabbatical application during FLEX week in January 2016.
- 3. Committee of Chairs (COC): Chair of Chairs Kim Perigo (No Report)
- 4. Curriculum Review Committee (CRC): Co-Chair Toni Parsons (No Report)
- 5. Program Review Committee (PRC): Co-Chair Dina Miyoshi
  - a. The Managers need to submit their program reviews by this Thursday (February 11<sup>th</sup>).
  - b. Dean Madeleine Hinkes is the liaison for TaskStream.
  - c. Institutional Effectiveness will send out a survey to the Program Review Lead Writers.

**B. Other Committees:**

- 1. Basic Skills Committee (BSC): Basic Skills Coordinator Chris Sullivan
  - a. Tracey Walker reported the BSC attended a meeting at the district last Friday instead of their regular meeting on campus.
- 2. The Committee for Diversity Action, Inclusion & Equity (CDAIE): Chair Judy Sundayo
  - a. Mesa College is celebrating Black History Month and FLEX workshops are available.
  - b. Mesa College will also hold Women's History Month events next month.
  - c. The Festival of Colors is scheduled for April 11, 2016 in front of the Student Services building.
  - d. The committee is reviewing a diversity award for Faculty and Staff.
  - e. There will be a survey to select the name of our Student Meditation/Quiet/Serenity Room.
- 3. Proyecto Exito: Leticia Lopez (No Report)
- 4. Other Committees: (No Reports)

**XI. ANNOUNCEMENTS/FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER:**

- A. James Romeo asked if there will be a "Golden Handshake".
  - 1. Lupe Gonzalez and Jonathan McLeod said no due to the 50% Law.
- B. President Rob Fremland asked Faculty who serve on Shared Governance committees to speak up during meetings.
- C. Mesa College is down 3% from our growth enrollment target.
- D. The next Academic Senate meeting is scheduled for February 29, 2016 in H117/H118 @ 2:15PM.
  - 1. Dean Kats Gustafson will be our guest to discuss Online Education Platforms.
- E. The next Committee of Chairs meeting is scheduled for February 10, 2016 in H117/H118 @ 2:30PM.

**XII. ADJOURNMENT @ 4:00PM.**

Motion to adjourn:

**M/S**

McLeod/Gibson

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Submitted by Sue Saetia

Approved by the Academic Senate: February 29, 2016