

ACADEMIC SENATE of BAKERSFIELD COLLEGE

March 13, 2013, 3:30 P.M.
Collins Conference Center

UNAPPROVED MINUTES

PRESENT: Corny Rodriguez (EB); Nick Strobel (EB); Wesley Sims (EB); Kate Pluta (EB); John Gerhold (EB); Rick Brantley(EB); Michael Korcok(EB); Billie Jo Rice (EB); John Carpenter (EB); Charles Kim (EB); Bill Kelly; Gayla Anderson; Nancy Guidry; Kathy Freeman; Maria Perrone; Valerie Robinson; Julie Lowe; Brian Hirayama; Ron Grays; DeAnn Sampley; Reggie Bolton; Alex Henderson; Lisa Harding; Susan Pinza; Robert Martinez; Jeannie Parent;

ABSENT: Bill Barnes (EB); Kimberly Hurd (EB); Ron Kean (EB); Kathleen Rush; Shane Jett; Jason Stratton; Klint Rigby; Terry Meier; Patrick Fulks; Marsha Eggman; Anna Poetker; Bernadette Towns; Christian Zoller; Kris Stallworth;

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:33p.m.

REVIEW OF THE MINUTES

A motion was made to approve the minutes of February 13, 2013 as presented. M/S/C: Freeman/Korcok

REPORTS

President (Rodriguez)

- Instructors affected by the revised final exam schedule should have received notice from the Vice President, Academic Affairs. The schedule will also be reflected in the catalog. Corny will email the changes that were made to the Senate.
- Department Chairs should have received information clarifying that four-week summer courses will be offered June 3-27 and July 1-25, and that the 40/30/30 scheduling is an overall college goal. *There was separate discussion related to Time Blocks and a suggestion to add this item to the agenda.*
- The Course Audit Task Force has been assembled and will meet soon. The group will evaluate the current practice, review relevant language and provide a recommendation to the Senate. The group will need to look at the potential impact on student success. If the option to audit is available then every student should have the opportunity. It may also be necessary to develop a policy that outlines when it is appropriate for a student to audit.
- President, Sonya Christian has approved an additional .200 reassigned time for the Academic Senate next year. The Executive Board has decided to allocate the additional reassigned time to the Curriculum Co-chairs.
- Concerns have been expressed about District Consultation Council meetings being cancelled. This topic will be added to the agenda.
- Corny is working closely with President, Sonya Christian on the response to Recommendation #8.
- Corny is also working with Nan Gomez-Heitzeberg to review the college's core values. Focus groups will be held to discuss the question "Who are we?" with the various campus constituents.
- Pearson workshops have been held to review the tools they offer to assist with instruction. Corny clarified that he shared faculty concerns c that these workshops are not involving faculty and administration is attempting to dictate what materials faculty will use. Administration has acknowledged the faculty purview in this area. It was suggested to add this topic to the agenda.

Accreditation Steering Committee (Pluta)

Kate Pluta distributed updated documents that outline the ACCJC response timeline and recommendation teams. The documents were approved by the Academic Senate previously. The faculty response has been

very positive and the teams have already begun to meet. Faculty can expect surveys from these groups as they complete their work. Senators were asked to encourage faculty in their areas to complete the surveys when they are distributed. Kate noted that plans need to be established and implemented for each recommendation prior to October.

Budget Committee

The Budget Committee has made minor revisions to the committee's charge. Corny will send the revised committee charge electronically. Senators should be prepared to vote on this at the next meeting.

Curriculum Committee (Rice/Carpenter)

Billie Jo Rice and John Carpenter reported that currently the biggest issue is the Title 5 change in repeatability. Billie Jo and John communicated this change to those affected; however, only half of those faculty responded. If the faculty affected do not communicate back to Billie Jo or John then the course will be changed to non-repeatable.

Enrollment Management Committee (Korcok)

Michael Korcok reported on the following items:

- Bakersfield College has increased the summer FTES target by 300. Meeting this target should not be an issue and faculty should not be concerned.
- The committee has not made progress on the matter of students repeating a course from the same instructor. There was general consensus from the Senators present that students should be allowed to take the course from the same instructor. It was noted that some departments only have one instructor to teach a particular course.
- In response to a request to open enrollment only after grades are posted, the committee has suggested a form be available, during week 11 or 12, for instructors to fill out upon request of the student. This form would inform the student if they were at substantial risk of failing the class and once completed could also trigger Admissions & Records to allow the student to register. There were concerns raised about holding students hands when they should already be aware of how they are progressing in a class, why a seat in the next term would be held for unsuccessful students, and objection to creating yet another form. Other comments were supportive of the form for students who may be struggling and are not ready to progress to the next course level. This process would be particularly helpful to student athletes who cannot wait another year to repeat the course. It was noted that student athletes benefit most when coaches communicate with the instructors directly; however, not all instructors respond to inquiries from coaches.

ISIT (Strobel)

Nick Strobel distributed the March report by email which can be found online at <http://www2.bakersfieldcollege.edu/nstrobel/isit/mar2013.htm>. Of particular interest for faculty is the Sloan Consortium Conference in April, a demonstration of a lecture capture system, and the results of the clicker survey.

Program Review Committee (Barnes)

Kate Pluta reported that the program review process will be revised to address two recommendations. Student learning outcomes are not currently integrated and did not meet the accreditation eligibility requirement. Every certificate and degree must have student learning outcomes that are assessed and use data to improve the program.

SDCC (Hurd)

Kimberly Hurd has asked for faculty to email her with ideas for 2013-14 flex activities.

Correspondence (Sims)

Wesley Sims noted the bc_all that was sent regarding Angela Mora. It was also noted that Kris Stallworth's grandmother had recently passed away.

Treasurer (Brantley)

The Executive Board recommended awarding six student scholarships in the amount of \$500.00 each. This will need to be added to the agenda for Senate approval.

CCA Update (Guidry)

Nancy Guidry noted that faculty will receive an email from Mary O’Neal about the upcoming CCA elections. Nomination forms are due April 1. Faculty negotiations begin next year and it will be critical to fill all of the CCA positions.

Separately, it was noted that MD Live is a new option provided through the KCCD health insurance. Multiple Senators endorsed the new feature.

OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE ACADEMIC SENATE

There were no requests to address the Academic Senate.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA (must be added with a 2/3 vote of members present)

A motion was made to add as New Business Item B, Pearson; Item C, District Consultation Council Meeting Cancellations; Item D, Senate Scholarships; and Item E, Course Audits. M/S/C: Gerhold/ B. Kelly

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

A motion was made to approve the committee appointments as presented. M/S/C: B. Kelly/Anderson

Accreditation Steering Committee	
Kimberly Nickell (PRC Liaison)	
Course Audit Task Force	
Kris Toler (Math)	Matthew Garrett (Soc Sci)
John Gerhold (Perf Arts)	Alice Desilagua (Counseling)
Kyle Loughman (English)	Scott Dameron (H/PE)
Skills Prerequisite Task Force	
John Gerhold (chair)	Alex Henderson (Counseling)
Jason Stratton (Soc Sci)	Kathy Freeman (English)
Terry Meier (English)	Kimberly Van Horne (AcDev)
Patrick Serpa (Math)	Kathy Rosellini (Counseling)
Recommendation Team #6	
ISIT Committee	

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Skills Prerequisite Task Force Update

The membership of this task force has been approved. John Gerhold will set up a meeting as soon as possible.

Achieving the Dream

Senators expressed concern with the lack of clarity of the costs involved and the possibility of additional projects in which the college will be asked to participate. It was noted that President Christian does not need the Senate’s approval to move forward; however, Senate support in the spirit of partnership and working together may be beneficial. Discussion continued, noting that, in the spirit of collaboration, the college president should divulge more about the costs and responsibilities. There was also concern expressed about involvement with ATD impacting Curriculum. There were also comments of support, noting that working with ATD could help the campus move in the direction of more transparency, allow the college to better use data to make decisions and also make information more accessible to faculty. It was noted that

Foundations of Excellence generated good ideas and energy but were dropped in the end and that the same could happen after three years with ATD. There was a request for more time to research ATD. It was noted that the Academic Senate has had adequate time to research ATD. The deadline to submit the proposal is March 26 and support or opposition after the proposal has been submitted does not have any impact.

A motion was made to make the submission of the ATD proposal a voting item. M/S: Korcok/Robinson. The motion carried with three objections and one abstention.

A motion was made to support submission of the ATD application. M/S: Gerhold/ B. Kelly.

A friendly amendment was made by Korcok that the motion include a Senate recommendation that any Bakersfield College expense be capped at \$50,000.00 per year for participating in ATD and a request that a clear explanation that participating with ATD does not obligate Bakersfield College to participate in any of the recommendations of ATD. The friendly amendment was accepted.

The question was called by Gerhold and the amended motion carried with three objections and one abstention.

NEW BUSINESS

Concern with ASCCC Proposed New Discipline

Senators received in the materials packet an email from the California Community College Early Childhood Educators President, Joel Gordon, asking for individual Academic Senate to oppose the creation of the new Teacher Education discipline that is being proposed for approval at the Academic Senate's Spring Plenary 2013. This objection is specifically based on the exclusion of a Master's Degree in Early Childhood Education or Child Development. John Gerhold, local ASCCC representative, also shared information related to the proposed discipline provided by ASCCC that shows the ASCCC Executive Committee and the Standards, Equity, Access and Practices (SEAP) Committee both recommend supporting the proposed discipline.

***A motion was made to extend the meeting time by five minutes. M/S/C: Gerhold/Korcok.*

Gayla Anderson shared the FACE department's concern with approving the degree without the minimum qualifications including a Master's Degree in Early Childhood Education or Child Development. The FACE department is asking the Academic Senate to oppose the proposed discipline. Gayla indicated the FACE department will draft a resolution for the Senate to consider at the next meeting.

Senators should share the information they received with faculty in their areas and be prepared for discussion and a vote on April 3. Any additional information prior to that meeting will be shared with the Senate electronically.

Senate Scholarships

A motion was made to approve five student scholarships in the amount of \$500.00 each.
M/S/C: Korcok/Parent.

GOOD AND WELFARE

There were no additional comments or questions for the Academic Senate.

ADJOURNMENT at 5:08p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jennifer Marden