

ACADEMIC • SENATE•

Minutes

Thursday, November 12, 2020 2:00 – 3:45 p.m. https://cccconfer.zoom.us/j/98206822173

Present: Manuel Mancillas-Gomez, Guillermo Colls, Rachel Jacob-Almeida, Rachelle Panganiban, Brad McCombs, Moriah Gonzalez-Meeks, Lyn Neylon-Craft, Rob Wojtkowski, Rachel Polakoski, Kim Dudzik, Michelle Campuzano, Sarah Saulter, Asma Yassi, Greg Daunoras, Mikayla Ortega, Valerie Peterson

Absent: Tim Phillips, Robert Stafford, Mary Sessom

Other: Cindy Morrin, Donna Hajj, Deborah Van Alstyne, Bri Kuhn (Proxy for Karen Marrujo)

Recorder: Taylor Owen

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CALL TO ORDER: Manuel Mancillas-Gomez, President called the meeting to order at 2:08 pm

I. Approval of Minutes: October 22, 2020 – Senate approve minutes. M/S Sarah Saulter/Greg Daunoras. Abstentions: Bri Kuhn (Proxy for Karen Marrujo)

II. Announcements

A. Racial Equity and Social Justice Task Force Inquiry Teams and Listening Tour: Manuel Mancillas-Gomez informed the senate that the Racial Equity and Social Justice Task Force has already started. Open Forum will be on December 04, 2020 from 10am – 12pm via Zoom. All sessions will be recorded for those who could not attend.

III. Information (First readings and updates for future action)

A. Academic Rank for Mary Sessom (First Read): Donna Hajj reviewed the application for movement to the rank of professor for Mary Sessom. Mary has contributed to major committees on campus and has taken a leadership role in Workforce Development for many years. She designed and launched the Paralegal Studies Program and then devoted a lot of time and work into getting the program ABA accredited. This was all done while Mary Sessom was the elected mayor of Lemon Grove. Reviewed and forwarded for action.

IV. Action

A. <u>Academic Senate Statement in Solidarity with Chaldean and Syriac Communities:</u> Motion to approve. M/S Guillermo Colls/Sarah Saulter. Senate approved unanimously, no abstentions. **Motion passes.**

V. President's Report – Manuel Mancillas-Gomez –

- A. <u>ASCCC Plenary Report:</u> Manuel Mancillas-Gomez, Rachel Jacob-Almeida, Guillermo Colls, and Cindy Morrin discussed the ASCCC Plenary Report and their experience. They all really enjoyed their experience and are happy to see that Cuyamaca College is ahead of the curve on the new Ethnic Studies Requirement. The senate is glad to see that faculty got to have a voice.
- B. <u>OER-ZTC Update:</u> Manuel Mancillas-Gomez reviewed the OER Committee draft with the senate. The senate agreed that positions should be opened to all faculty, including part-time faculty, to assist with departments that need a representative for OER. Manuel clarified that there are only two chairs, not three, and made a revision to the draft for review.
- C. <u>State Chancellor's Legal Opinion and Board Policy Regarding Camera-On Requirements During Zoom Sessions:</u> Manuel Mancillas-Gomez reviewed the State Chancellor's Legal Opinion regarding requiring students to turn on their cameras during a class session being held via Zoom. The State Chancellor advised that there should not be a requirement for students to turn on their cameras as it's a breach of the Privacy Act. The senate had some concerns regarding some courses that do not transfer well in ERT format and would need for student's cameras to be on. The senate directed the president of Academic Senate to communicate to the Chancellor to include faculty input into the Board Policy Development.
- VI. Vice President Report. No report.
- VII. Part-Time Officer-at-Large Report. No report.
- VIII. Committee Report. -
 - A. <u>Curriculum Committee:</u> Cindy Morrin reviewed the November Board Packet with the senate. The Board Packet was submitted to the Board on Tuesday, November 10, 2020. Cindy discussed how Cuyamaca has four new course additions: MUS 123, POSC 165, SOC 138, and CIS 272.

IX. Public Comments-

- Motion was made to extend the meeting for 15 more minutes. M/S Greg Daunoras/Moriah Gonzalez-Meeks. Senate approved unanimously, no abstentions. Motion passes.
- Motion was made to direct the President of the Academic Senate to express Senate concern to the Chancellor regarding the Cameras-On Requirement, but was later withdrew.

Closed at 4:02pm