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D I S T R I C T A C A D E M I C S E N A T E
TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 12, 2023

4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

In-person meeting in Room 112 Multi-Purpose Room at District Office

Present in Room 112: Heidi Kozlowski (SJCC), Garry Johnson (EVC), Judith Bell (SJCC), Tina Iniguez (EVC)

Present via Zoom: Emily Banh (EVC)

Not Present: Lisa Hays (EVC), Elena Dutra (SJCC), and Fabio Gonzalez (SJCC)

I. CALL TO ORDER at 4:04 PM

II. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

1. Addition/Deletion/Correction: EVC filling Treasurer position, EVC has at-large position for next DAS meeting.
2. Approval of Agenda: unanimous approval

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS (Each public comment is limited to two minutes):

none

IV. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. ASCCC speaker potential topics for 2023-2024
 - a. Heidi shared her list of topics she filled out on the online forms and sent to the ASCCC:
 - i. CalGETC Updates
 - ii. C-ID net
 - iii. AI/Student Honesty
 - iv. Cultural Humility
 - v. AB1111 and updates
 - vi. AB 928 and updates
 - vii. AB 1187 and updates
 - viii. AB 1705 and updates
 - ix. Equal Opportunity, Hiring, and Employee Evaluation Updates and Policies
 - b. Suggested combining CID with AB 1111 topic and to contact Delores Davidson to speak on the subject. Garry said he would reach out to her. Zoom is the best modality to hold these talks.
 - c. Gat Getci, and 928 , AI, and course numbering are also good topics. AI is a good topic. Judith Talked about teaching stuents to use it effectively. Heidi suggested EVC and SJCC crerating an AI policy.
 - d. Garry suggested and hosting two Zoom ASCCC talks/updates per semester.
 - e.
2. ASCCC Sept. 15th meeting at San Jose City College 9/15/23

Judith reported that SJCC was adopting new rules about AB 2449 teleconferencing rules and explained the new rules SJCC AS is adopting:

Judith created an online form for senators.

Proxy is not an absence.

Excused absence 3 per semester

Unexcused needs to be clarified to 2 total per semester

Heidi asked if she can vote remotely. Approved absence: Judith yes if there is an on campus quorum

EVC Garry reports that EVC is considering safety before everything else after much discussion at plenary and so forth. No one will be in harm's way. He will not publish people's home addresses. Judith says no names required, just addresses. 100% attendance at EVC meetings. Error on the side of safety and caution.

Tina said 2 senators online; the majority were present in person.

Heidi saw agenda and saw 2.5 hour closed session.

3. Shared Governance Concerns: District Budget Committee

Garry at DB meeting, there was a presentation the budget, and at the end of the meeting was general practice the shared governance group DBC votes to either endorse the budget or not. It doesn't necessarily mean that the board isn't going to still work with the budget, it meant this participatory group looked at it, asked difficult questions about it and we gave it our blessing or we did not give it our blessing. At EVC, a budget was not endorsed through participatory govern and the EVC president knew and took it to heart and visited different constituency groups regarding the budget that wanted more information. Shew asked for more info, she based allotments on feedback. The voice was heard and pres acted on it. The voice of all constituents felt heard.

Unlike the EVC prez, At the last DAB meeting, there was no call for a vote. Garry asked if there would be a vote. Apparently when Rauol took over, the DAB committee stopped voting on the budget. Judith concurred. Garry spoke with Edwin, and he is in full support of the BBC voting to endorse the budget or not.

Judith stated if the DBC is only run by the district and are the only ones setting the agenda, that is a conflict of interest, and that it should be a tri-chair committee: the 2 VP of the colleges and the chancellor. The Vice Chancellors should set the agenda together.

The DBC is very top down and is not participatory in its current state. Garry suggested we bring this to next DB mtg and there is more interest in PG and holding votes, add a tri-chari model, and

Garry spoke to Edwin about the RAM and gave him some history on it. He felt it may need to be delayed until we get a permanent Chancellor, which makes sense. We are one of the few CC without a RAM

Judith both colleges have increased enrollemnt , but under the current model we are penalized for growth rather than rewarded.

Tina has heard EVC SPRING will have fewer classes offered. Students suffer when there are fewer sections.

Judith—no carry over. That's how we usually fund growth. There are also takeaways. We are underfunded. A lot of money on consultants. There is a white paper from ASCCC on consultants at 10+1

Heidi cited the D Tech Plan as an example. SJCC wrote their own.

a. At the budget committee meeting in spring, the 2023-2024 budget was presented, but the general practice of shared governance being asked to approve or not approve the budget did not happen. The budget was not endorsed through participatory governance.

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5. Shared Governance Concerns: the renaming of District Council as Chancellor's Advisory Committee without input from the CAC. Garry said he will address it at the first DC mtg. Words matter.

Judith: loss of faculty at SJCC and hiring freeze at SJCC no new positions all replacements or state mandated. No hiring freeze on admin or classified. We have lost FT faculty over the years. Need to document attrition. Conflicts with being told we need to grow enrollment.

Heidi all 1A classes were full—sections were added . Hard to grow at the last minute bc of AFT language that classes must go to adjuncts. Attrition IS adjuncts. Low enrollment, loss of adjuncts. Find an adjunct at last minute, go by a list of priority PT faculty

Garry has numbers for FT and PT from 2022 from datamart. 202 FT under 20% total employee pt: 425 we meet 60% but most of those are PT

In 2012, there were 693 faculty (pt and ft) from current 627 big drop

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7. Revising DAS By-Laws in 2023-2024

Emily and Judith started on that last academic year.

Look at mission, More clearly written in more accessible language, less legalese. Emily said we need to update the DAS bylaws and the DAS website. ITSS has given permission to Heidi to update the website. Clean up reword rearrange discuss and make changes as necessary this year. Emily said there is a draft of the revisions with changes to be made. They are in the last DAS minutes of May. Garry said he would forward those minutes. Heidi will include them for approval at the next DAS mtg.

8. ACTION ITEM

Determine on the modality and location of future District Academic Senate Meetings
It won't be an issue.

VIII. RECOGNITIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

IX. ADJOURNMENT

