



**ACADEMIC SENATE
COMPTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
MINUTES**

Academic Senate Meeting

Thursday, March 8, 2012

Attendance:

Senators:

Saul Panski
Tom Norton
Leonard Clark
Michael Odanaka
Fred Lamm

Darwin Smith
Jose Bernaudo
Pamella West
Mandeda Uch
Shirley Thomas

Chris Halligan
Jose Villalobos
Annaruth Garcia
Estina Pratt
Jerome Evans

Guests and Visitors:

Eyob Wallano
Michelle Priest
Billie J Moore
Ruth Roach
Rodney Murray

Christina Gold
David Vakil
Cornelia Lyles
Cassandra Washington

David McPatchell
Barbara Perez
Abiodun Osanyinpeju
Susan Dever

I. Call to Order - Saul Panski – 2:00 p.m.

II. Approval of Agenda - Pratt/Evans - approved.

III. Approval of Minutes –Minutes of 12/8/11 and 12/15/11 Bernaudo/Clark - approved.

IV. Reports:

PRESIDENT

Saul Panski reporting.

Panski read a letter from the Executive Director of the Museum at Rancho Dominguez, **regarding the recent Nisei Exhibit - It** was well received; over 800 people visited from the general public. Toni Wasserberger and Michael Odanaka gave talks from ECC Compton and everyone was uniformly impressed with all the books and documents. Professor Odanaka gave talks to the visiting FYE students as well. The Museum looks forward to further building a relationship with Compton.

CEC Accreditation - Spring Forum May 8th. We need to continue making progress in SLO assessments and program review. Fiscal solvency of the district is of great importance. We are now in the process of looking at the Commission's report on the candidacy of Reedley College's Willow International Center, to see if it provides insight into concerns that we need to address as well. We are looking at this document as a learning tool.

New CFO - Everyone's being very tight-lipped about this. There are three good candidates. A new CFO will hopefully be hired on March 20th.

Facilities Master Plan - An MOU on Facilities Construction is going to the Compton Board on March 20th for a first reading, and then will be back for second reading. It will address such matters as responsibility, accountability, liability, and oversight of Compton district bond funds. The revised Facilities Master Plan is also an important document - there have been some significant changes made to it and it will come before the Senate for input in May.

Chancellor Scott - He is still visiting March 30th, even though he is retiring.

Spring Plenary - San Francisco April 12 - 14th. Odanaka and Smith will be attending. If we can only send one, it will be Michael Odanaka.

Course Reductions - We have been hit with a \$2.3m cut this year - 2011-2012. This cut includes the February surprise. With the reduction last semester, the January trigger cut, and the \$1.49m February surprise, we are out \$2.3m. There will be a special meeting of the Budget Committee with the CEO to try to get the budget in line. We have been told to expect the same reduced funding, at minimum, for next year. Scenario 1 - \$2.3m cut - 120 sections, FTES 5900. Scenario 2—should Governor's initiative fail - \$3.3m cut - 201 sections, FTES 5560. Winter session is gone as reflected in a calendar item set to go to the ECC Board on March 12th. The proposed dates of the new spring 2013 semester are from January 22nd through May 14th.

Program Reviews - VP Perez indicated that it might make sense to take another look at our programs, with the idea of consolidating some and reducing the number of program reviews that would be required. She wanted the initiative to do so to come from the faculty and she would then discuss the subject with the Deans and Division Chairs. That she will entertain the idea of the chairs talking to deans regarding reorganization. For example, she indicated, it might make sense to combine some disciplines into a program entitled "General Studies."

MOTION - A motion was made to support such a dialogue on reviewing and revising the program structure for purposes of program review, with the Chairs and faculty **Bernaudo/Smith - passed.**

V. Discussion Items—None

VI. Action Items—None

VII. Adjournment—Meeting adjourned at 2:55 p.m.