Minutes of the 10 May 2011 AS Executive Committee Meeting

Present: Jamey Anderson, Dianne Berman, Greg Brookins, Mary Colavito, Guido Davis Del Piccolo, Tina Feiger, Janet Harclerode, Janie Jones, Amber Katherine, Lesley Kawaguchi, Lucy Kluckhohn-Jones, Laura Manson, Vanessa Mejia, Jennifer Merlic, Pete Morris, Melody Nightingale, Eric Oifer, Wendy Parise, Christine Schultz, Esau Tovar, Carol Womack.

Excused: Nancy Hanson, Gary Todd.


I. Call to Order—meeting was called to order at 11:19 a.m.

II. Action Items

1. Approval of the Minutes for April 26, 2011
   Minutes for April 26, 2011
   Minutes were approved as presented.

2. Senate Election Results
   Eric will post results to the Senate webpage. Any questions, contact Eric. Election results will go to the Assembly for ratification next week. Eric will also send the results by email, after ratification.

3. 1st Read AR 4411 - Code of Academic Conduct - Greg Brookins, Chair of Student Affairs
   Greg Brookins said that this is a part of the AR4410 revision; changes were made regarding the consequences of violating the Code of Academic Conduct.
AR4410 includes conduct violation, but is primarily focused on academic integrity. After it’s been adjudicated, the instructor either changes the grade or not. This will go to the Assembly for a 1st read.

4. 1st Read AR 4412 - Honor Code/Honor Council - Greg Brookins, Chair of Student Affairs
The Honor Council will now have faculty members appointed by the Senate; this change in the AR will formalize the process. Also, classified employees will now serve as voting members on hearing boards. The standard of proof is changed to a preponderance of evidence.
Page 9: Membership in the Honors Council was based on the same composition as the Student Conduct Committee; this ratio is different from Senate committees.
The Honors Council meets 2 times per month; it would not be a major time commitment for classified staff.
Greg said that students can choose to go to the Honor Council or may be directed there by Disciplinarian Judy Penchansky, or by their instructor.
Classified staff can choose whether or not to attend hearings, because this is not a Senate committee, but it has a valuable connection to the Senate.

III. Information Items

1. President’s Report - Eric Oifer
   a. Enrollment Priorities Task Group
      Teresita Rodriguez will create an enrollment priorities task force; Eric will appoint members from various groups: counseling, Black Collegians, etc.
   b. Democracy Commitment
      Eric communicated with Dr. Tsang, who has signed the Democracy Commitment. Dr. Tsang saw the Democracy Commitment as comparable to what we are already doing with global citizenship. Eric has thoughts on how we can bring this forward.
   c. Budget
      Eric reported that suggestions for saving money and generating revenue were turned back because they were things that the District is already doing: only 12-15% of our budget is not salaries and benefits. Eric suggested that we should make recommendations regarding processes by which the campus can take budget cuts.
      It was suggested that the budget process must be separate from the Faculty Association negotiation process.
   d. Winter Session
Dr. Tsang said at the Board meeting that he expects to offer 300 class sections in Winter 2012, which is the same as last Winter. This will be run either through and extension program or through contract Ed.

AB515 goes to the state Assembly next. The Chancellor’s Office supports it.

e. Global Citizenship and Basic Skills Faculty Leader Positions - no report.

2. Committee Reports
   Tutoring Task Force Recommendations - Janet Harclerode, Chair
   Janet will email her report on the tutoring task force. You’re your suggestions to Janet.

IV. Announcements

1. Recognition /Retirement Event June 15, 2011 - Janie Jones, Chair of Social Committee

V. Adjournment—meeting adjourned at 12:36 p.m.