Recommendation #1

It is recommended that the minutes from the following meeting of the Santa Monica College Academic Senate be approved as distributed:

**Minutes of the 3 May 2011 Academic Senate Meeting**

**Present:** Jamey Anderson, Brenda Antrim, Dianne Berman, Greg Brookins, Fran Chandler, Mary Colavito, Guido Davis Del Piccolo, Tina Feiger, Candyce Goodfellow, Matthew Hotsinpiller, Gina Jerry, Janie Jones, Amber Katherine, Lesley Kawaguchi, Jo Kidd, Michael Klineman, Lucy Kluckohn-Jones, Brandon Lewis, Laura Manson, Moya Mazorow, Jennifer Merlic, Andrew Nestler, Eric Oifer, Wendy Parise, Vicki Rothman, Christine Schultz, Claudia Szekely, Esau Tovar, Marc Trujillo

**Excused:** James Geddes, Keith Graziadei, Nancy Hanson, Janet Harclerode, Deborah Kraut, Peter Morse, Michael Strathearn, Gary Todd, Christina Van der Ohe, Carol Womack

**Absent:** Alula Abate, Rory Barnett, Suzanne Borghei, Karen Breddlove, Ken Buckner, Tim Cramer, Giulio Della Rocca, Georgia Farber, Kathy Flynn, Terry Green, John Henderson, Sharon Jaffe, Jennifer Jesswein, Steve Kaufman, Helen LeDonne, Mitra Moassessi, Pete Morris, Maria Munoz, Melody Nightingale, Jim Pacchioli, Nick Pernisco, Michele Scholefield, Jaqueline Scott, Susan Sterr, Ventris Woods, Sal Veas, David Zehr

**Guests:** Dennis Frisch, Vanessa Mejia, Bob Myers, Michael Owens

I. **Call to Order** – President Eric Oifer called the meeting to order at 11:25 a.m.

II. **Public Comments:**

   Janie Jones announced a Fund Raiser for the Student Emergency Relief Fund and the Recognition BBQ at El Torito on May 19th. 25% of your food bill will go the SMC Academic Senate. The Recognition BBQ will be on June 15th (tickets are $10 in advance and $15 on the day of).

   Amber Katherine announced that the SMC Team at the UCLA Cancer
Walk raised over $4,000, coming in third in fundraising.

III. Action Items:
1. Approval of the Minutes for April 19, 2011
   Minutes for April 19, 2011
   Vicki Rothman should be listed as excused.
   Brenda Antrim said that Carol Womack’s files had corruption issues, so if there were errors, the minutes could come back.
   Minutes were accepted and approved as amended.

2. Curriculum Items – Guido Davis Del Piccolo, Chair of Curriculum Committee
   A new credit course, Energy Efficiency 2: Residential Building Science, will be housed in the Earth Science Department.
   Passed unanimously.
   A new Public Policy A.A. Degree/Certificate of Achievement consisting of 20 units will be housed in the discipline of Political Science.
   Tina Feiger recommended that Psychology 19 be part of the Public Health Strand and the discussion focused on whether or not this course had a policy component. The Political Science faculty can look into this and make additions and improvements to the degree/certificate of achievement
   Passed unanimously.

3. 2nd Read – AR 4441 Recording of Classes or Redistribution of Online Course Materials – Wendy Parise, Chair of Distance Education Committee
   Bob Myers attended to explain the proposed ARs. The first, which concerns recording in the classroom, is to provide legal cover. Instructor consent is required. The language for the second part regarding Distance Education classes was slightly altered to read: “Without the prior consent of the instructor, no student shall copy and redistribute the content of any password protected materials obtained as a result of logging into a course.” (This AR does not include eCompanion materials.)
   M/S Brenda Antrim/Tina Feiger
   2nd Read Passed unanimously.

4. 2nd Read – AR 4350 Graduation Requirements – Greg Brookins, Chair of Student Affairs
   The committee made some changes, creating sections A. Credit Normally Allowed, B. Credit Not Allowed, and C. Accreditation. The subsection under B. regarding Courses in Religion would be numbered 2. Under B., Credit for Advanced Placement Tests, the word “advanced” before credit in the first line should be struck. Discussion occurred under B., College Level Examination Credit, because AR 4314 references Credit by Exam and the question of referring to AR 4314 in AR 4350 was raised. Because of questions regarding catalog updates, waivers, and other processes, it was M/S Andrew Nestler/Brenda Antrim to table the 2nd Read until the
May 17th meeting, so that the Student Affairs Committee can look at AR 4314. Passed unanimously.

5. 1st Read – AR 4410 Student Conduct, Activities and Programs – Greg Brookins, Chair of Student Affairs

   Bob Myers noted that under 1.S. the word “Stalking” was removed and the final line to section 1 regarding college activity and attendance can be broadly interpreted. He gave the example of a rape of a student by another student off-campus – that this would be considered within the realm of college activity/attendance.

   Faculty should send any edits or questions to Greg Brookins.

   M/S Tina Feiger/Esau Tovar

   1st Read passed unanimously.

IV. Information Items:

1. President’s Report – Eric Oifer

   a. Course Repeatability in Physical Education, and the Visual and Performing Arts – Randal Lawson, SMC Executive Vice President

   Eric Oifer contextualized Lawson’s presentation by mentioning the resolutions that emerged at the ASCCC Spring 2011 Plenary Session.

   Randy Lawson began his comments by remarking that we need to recognize the current fiscal environment we are in. In a “normal” environment, restrictions on repeatability are lifted, but in tight budget times, the current budget and legislative activities have forced California community colleges to reduce their size, raising the issue of course repeatability and course repetition.

   In terms of course withdrawal and repetition, a Title 5 change would limit the number of enrollments a student could have in a particular credit course to three times (this includes any combination of “Ws” and retaking a course for a substandard grade). Students probably could go to multiple colleges. However, the only exceptions would be significant lapse of time (5+ years) and extenuating circumstances.

   Another issue concerns “activity” courses and how many times students can repeat them. The Chancellor wants community colleges to be proactive, rather than let the legislature dictate what will occur. In this discussion. At the System Advisory Committee on Curriculum (SACC), the discussion has centered on not allowing for repeating of classes in this area unless a student needs to in order to meet a lower division requirement at a transfer institution. Originally, student athletes were exempt, but the Chancellor removed this. Students need to go through a sequence or can only repeat a course if they received a “W” or substandard grade.

   For students in the visual and performing arts (music, theatre
production, dance productions, portfolio development), the transfer pattern for the student is key. A two-year model will be used. In sequential courses, a student won’t be able to repeat within the sequence. If a student enters at level 3, the student can repeat level 4 to have the experience needed for transfer.

The bottom line is how we define a sequence is critical, as well as the UC/CSU lower division major prep for transfer.

Due to foot traffic beating a path out the door, Oifer couldn’t cover b. or c. Janie Jones already made the announcement regarding the Recognition BBQ.

IV. **Adjournment**
Voting with their feet, the senators adjourned the meeting at 12:33 p.m.