

SANTA MONICA COLLEGE
ACADEMIC
SENATE
MINUTES

Tuesday, May 10, 2016

11:15 am-12:35 pm, Business Building Room 144

[Attendance and Voting Sheets](#)

I. Call to Order at 11:15 a.m.

Approval of Agenda

Motion: M. Strathearn

Second: C. Tran

Approved unanimously at 11:16 a.m.

II. Public Comments (Two-minute limit per person)

Mark Tomasic, Dance Dept., announced the Global Motion performances at the Broad Theatre on May 20 and 22.

Ming Lu announced the next speaker for the Center for Teaching Excellence, L.A. math teacher, Anthony Yom, on May 17.

III. Major Items of Business

A. [First Read: AR 4420 Student Government](#), A. Tower

-Representatives from AS asked the Senate and the Student Affairs Committee last fall to support a reduction in the minimum requirements to serve on student government. The Committee discussed this, but the request was voted down. Students voted yes, but changed the requirements for students with disabilities. (AR4420.6). Students must go through channels to get this approved.

-In addition, Esau was able to change their enrollment priority; this was a major change.

-This section of the Ed. Code is vague and interpreted differently at other colleges. The Chancellor's Office does not enforce this AR. Six units are half of a full load.

-There is also a silent agreement statewide to keep the student trustee requirement at 5 units.

Motion: Exec

Second: B. Antrim

No: B. Magallon

Abs: J. Quevedo
Approved at 11:26 a.m.

B. [Resolution to K. Jeffery on Full-Time Hiring](#)

A 5% jump would have included 43 new faculty plus 5 counsellors for 2017-18. This was approved by senate and DPAC. The President responded that she was not adopting a plan, but was committed to hiring new faculty, within budget constraints. No plan or benchmarks were established. This is why the resolution is coming to the Senate.

Fulltime faculty are a priority which should guide the budget. The goal of the Trustees was to increase the percentage of faculty hired and to work with a plan.

Question: Is there a position on the IR dashboard for this?

Reply: Hannah Lawler indicated it would be no problem to report our hiring statistics. If we provide the number, she can report our numbers to track whether we are making progress.

Motion: Exec
Second: M. Moassessi
Abs: L. Kluckhohn-Jones
Approved at 11:35 a.m.

C. [Second Read, Constitution and Bylaws, M. Mazorow](#)

-Main new Changes to constitution:

Academic Senate to be consistent, add part-time faculty

Academic Senate appointments to joint committees are separate from FA appointments.

-Amendments may be made to the Constitution; they require a 2/3 approval of the Senate when a quorum is present, and then a simple majority vote of the total membership of the faculty.

-The name and date on the document were also changed.

-Changes to Bylaws:

-3.3.D. rules of succession require a temporary replacement from within the group; this change is made two places: when the President cannot serve and the Past President cannot serve.

-3.3.D.2 vacancies 2.2—Changed to “will start the process to run to run a special election....”

-p. 11 rules of quorum: changed back to simple majority.

-5.2.B should be deleted and 5.2.C should read as follows: Committee expenditures that fit into a line item on the approved budget but would cost the amount spent on that line item to exceed that amount in the approved budget by more than 10 percent require prior approval of the Senate President and Treasurer. When a budget line item is exceeded, the Senate President and Treasurer will determine whether it would be best to move the expenditure to another category, to transfer money from another category, or to require an amended budget approved by the Senate. At times when the Senate is not in session, expenditures requiring an amended budget may be authorized by the Senate President but require an immediate report to the senate at the next regular meeting followed by an amended budget.

-6.1.B: change "other personnel" to "administrators". Individual committees who want to include students will report annually. Students are allowed on joint committees. All students and staff recommended for committees must be approved by the Senate and the Board of Trustees.

NOTE: Next year the corresponding AR must be updated to reflect current practice. Board Policy 2230 has some errors too.

-6.1: Remove definition of select committees. And renumber the others.

-6.2: add "faculty only"

-6.3: faculty only

-6.3.B: Add Senate Exec. (will report directly to the Senate President, Executive Committee, and the Committee of the Whole.) Curriculum is the exception, and receives expedited approval by senate.

-6.3.I: "but not at same time".

-6.3.J.8: Consensus voting is not allowed by the Brown Act.

-6.5.B: OK to add student members

-6.6.: Scope of Standing Committees added.

-Delete Select Committees. Change Standing Committee to Ad Hoc.

-7. Amendments—2 weeks' notice changed because of the Brown Act to 72 hours.

-9.4—Sentence was removed, because Curriculum was moved to AR.

Changes were made to the Bylaws to make them more reflective of current practice.

Motion to approve changes and send this forward to a vote of the faculty and recommend that they approve.

Second: M. Strathearn, B. Antrim

Votes: 52 (2/3 of 70 needed)

Passed at 12:02 p.m.

D. [First Read: AR 4342 Progress Probation](#), A. Tower

At the request of the Senate, the Committee went to IR for data on our students. There is no difference whether we have two tier or single tier system (50%), so the Committee saw no reason to maintain the two tier system.

Question: Can we get the same data for those who don't pass?

Answer: IR has this data.

Motion: Exec

Second: A. Villalpando

Approved unanimously at 12:08 p.m.

E. Pulled Consent Agenda Items—none

IV. Consent Agenda. Any item pulled from the consent agenda will be discussed as the last major item of business above.

A. [Approval of Minutes of 042616](#)

B. [Curriculum Items](#), G. Del Piccolo (Global citizenship changes)

C. [Gender Center Resolution](#)

D. [Second Read: ARs 5111, 5112, 5113](#), G. Del Piccolo

E. Approval of Fellowships for S. Esfandyan, C. Harandon, S. Kolko, D. Novak, H. Vishwanadha—A. Buckley, Sabbaticals and Fellowships Chair

Motion to approve consent agenda: Exec

Second: B. Antrim

Approved at 12:10 p.m.

V. President's Report/Information Items

A. [Full-Time Ranking Committee Recommendations](#)

-Objective and subjective data were used in ranking the list. The Committee voted electronically.

-It is the President's prerogative to change the order of the list.

-Fran suggested we look at changing criteria in the future. Guido said that the Committee felt all 52 requests were worthy. (43 teaching faculty plus 5 counselors.)

- B. Other as time permits—none**

- VI. Announcements from the Floor –none**

- VII. Adjournment at 12:24 p.m.**

Motion to adjourn: M. Moassessi
Second: L. Koenig-Golombek
Approved at 12:24 p.m.

Next scheduled meeting, May 24, 2016, 11:15-12:35, in B144