

Academic Senate of Imperial Valley College

Minutes for Wednesday, May 20, 2015

A. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Heumann at 1:30p.m.

Present— Nicholas Akinkuoye, Caroline Bennett, Gilbert Campos, Michael Capeci, Dave Drury, Alex Garza, Daniel Gilison, Michael Heumann, Frank Hoppe, Eric Lehtonen, Allyn Leon, Mary Lofgren, Ralph Marquez, Lorraine Mazeroll, Priscila Ortiz, Mike Palacio, Jr., Frank Rapp, Ed Wells and Cathy Zazueta.

Absent—Holly Chase, Olivia Garcia, Rick Goldsberry, Suzanne Gretz, Russell Lavery, Frank Miranda, Norma Núñez, and David Scott Sheppard.

Visitors—Tina Aguirre, Ted Caesar, Melody Chronister, Jeff Enz, John Fahim, Gaylla Finnell, Norma Gonzales, Victor Jaime, Sergio Lopez, James Patterson, Laura Semmes, Efrain Silva, Mary-Jo Wainwright, and Kevin White.

B. Visitor's Comments

Gaylla Finnell—I'd like to provide an update on our Correctional Education program. Inside-Out Program is going really well at the County Jail. ACCJC has informed us that our proposed Prison Pilot program would trigger a substantive change in the population we serve, and so our programs for the Centinela and Calipatria State Prisons are on hold.

Norma Gonzales—I'm concerned about the possible loss of student services as a result of the new reorganization plan for Student Services. The Library facility can hold 87 people and 16 study rooms, while the new facility will only hold 54 people and maybe 3 or 4 study rooms. I see plans only for English and Math, so I wonder where other people will be tutored for other subjects. I propose reevaluating this organization plans to ensure that students won't lose any services.

C. Consent Agenda

[M/S/C] (Drury/Gilison) Carried.

D. Reports—Please limit your report to 3 minutes

1. President—Michael Heumann—Casino Night was a success.
2. Past-President—No report.

3. Treasurer—Caroline Bennett—Spent \$51.65 for printing and copying flyers and tickets, leaving a balance of \$1,585.06. Casino Night netted \$2,171 so far, 182% of last year's event amount of \$1,190.00. More contributions have been promised.
4. Associated Student Government (ASG) President—Priscila Ortiz—This Thursday the ASG will be giving out Snow cones. We're preparing for Spring Awards.
5. Part-Time Representative—No report.
6. College Council—Daniel Gilison—Yethel Alonso was elected Chair of College Council, and Todd Evangelist was elected Vice Chair. College Council approved the Student Services reorganization plan that will be coming to the Academic Senate for consideration.
7. Budget and Planning Committee—Michael Heumann—We're trying to find Non-Reserve ways to address a \$400K budget shortfall.
8. New Faculty Orientation Committee—Eric Lehtonen—The Committee has a prepared a New Faculty Handbook, but discussions about adjusting to life at Imperial Valley College were a major focus for committee members.
9. Distance Education Committee—Gaylla Finnell—The Committee approved State authorization to provide distance education to students in California and Arizona. The Online Education Initiative (OEI) asked for three more classes, so we're preparing proposals. The Canvas contract is still not signed by the OEI.

E. Action Items

1. Authorization to change Academic Senate meeting times to the first and third Wednesdays of each month, from 12:50-1:50 PM, for the 2015-16 academic year only—to be reviewed in Spring 2016. [M/S/C] (Gilison/Drury) Carried. Frank Rapp abstained.
2. Resolution on Reorganization Plan for Learning Services (First Reading). [M/S] (Zazueta/Leon).

James Patterson—Regarding space concerns—we've added language to find data to see if enough space and resources have been allocated.

Frank Hoppe—I'd like to see increased Library involvement in decision making affecting the Library.

Ralph Marquez—No current and past stats are available for comparison.

Caroline Bennett—There is data, just not hourly data.

Norma Gonzales—The New Dean should have a chance to craft the reorganization. This is too rushed.

3. Resolution on Changes to Wait List (First Reading). [M/S/C] (Leon/Drury).

Allyn Leon—This would help Enrollment Management and streamline registration.

Mary-Jo Wainwright—As I understand this, it would result in many students getting a slot in a class as late as two weeks into the semester, placing a heavy burden on faculty who would need to take steps to bring that student up to where the class is.

Ed Wells—This process can be done, stopping the process once classes begin. Other colleges have done this.

4. Resolution on the Formation of the Student Success & Equity Committee (First Reading). [M/S/C] (Leon/Mazeroll).

F. Discussion and Information Items

1. Institutional Effectiveness Partnership—Ted Caesar—This measure can help reduce risk of ACCJC sanctions.

2. Campus Hour Scheduling—Michael Heumann—We've already approved having Academic Senate meetings on Wednesdays during College Hour. Here's a preliminary recommended schedule for Academic Senate subcommittees [See agenda packet document "Committee Dates for 2015-2016 Campus Hour 12:50 – 1:50 PM."].

Ed Wells—Why are departmental meetings slated for Mondays?

Michael Heumann—That's when ASG meetings occur, so students won't need to go to departmental meetings, and faculty won't have to attend ASG meetings.

Kevin White--What about professional development?

Michael Heumann—Most won't attend every meeting, leaving lots of opportunities to pursue professional development on other days during Campus Hour.

Nicholas Akinkuoye—ACCJC specifically cited a need for more faculty involvement on Campus Committees.

3. Revision of Academic Senate Constitution and Bylaws—Michael Heumann—We have a division rep reorganization that requires revisiting and revising the Constitution and Bylaws since we'll have five divisions.

Michael Heumann—In this plan, Math & Sciences gets 4 representatives, Arts & Letters gets 4 representatives, Health & Public Safety gets 2 representatives, Career & Technical gets 2 representatives, and Student Services gets 2 representatives.

Eric Lehtonen—Part-Time Faculty should get 2 representatives, and Student Services should get 4 representatives.

Daniel Gilison—Part-Time Faculty's 2 representatives *are* in this plan, just not as Division representatives.

4. Academic Senate Election of Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer for 2015-16.

Michael Heumann—It would be nice to have new division representatives lined up for this election, which will happen at the next meeting. It would also be nice if some were running.

5. New Title V Grant Proposal—Michael Heumann—ATLAS Grant ends September 30. The new grant focuses on tutoring. Jill Nelipovich submitted that grant officially yesterday, 19 May 2015.
6. Rafael Santos Award Update—Michael Heumann—A committee has formed. We'll announce the winner at the next meeting.
7. Part Time Faculty Roles in Curriculum—Michael Heumann—All Faculty, both Part-Time and Full-Time, can initiate Curriculum changes.
8. Faculty Committee Openings for 2015-16—Michael Heumann—50 people out of 141 have submitted their Committee assignment forms. College Council, Equivalency, Bookstore, and Budget & Planning all have an opening.
9. Faculty Prioritization Process Review—Frank Hoppe—Shared Governance is under assault all round, and here as well. The faculty prioritization list was unilaterally reordered for three departments—The Library, Speech, and Adaptive Physical Education.

Michael Heumann—ACCJC looked at IVC's faculty priority process and wondered why the list went from Instructional Council to the Curriculum Committee. They suggested it go directly to the Academic Senate instead.

G. For the Good of the Order

Gaylla Finnell – Remember our fallen service members this Memorial Day.

Kevin White—On May 28 there will be a College Hour Presentation focused on the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict.

H. Adjournment Meeting adjourned at 3:00 PM.