

Imperial Valley College Academic Senate Minutes

Wednesday, September 20, 2017

Board Room

Adopted October 4, 2017

A. Call to Order by the Past President, Michael Heumann: 12:52 pm

Roll call by Secretary

Present: Melanie Guinn, Julie Craven, Frank Hoppe, Jeff Burt, Austen Thelen, Jia Sun, Kathy Rodriguez, Roberta Webster, Jose Velasquez, Dolores Diaz, Jose Plascencia, Mike Palacio Jr., Zhong Hu, Ric Epps, Jesus Esqueda, Cathy Zazueta, Diane Harris, Michael Heumann, and Karla Espejo (ASG).

Absent: Nicholas Akinkuoye, Michael Capeci, David Scott Shepard, and Ed Wells.

Excused: Cuauhtémoc Carboni, Kristen Gomez, Mary Lofgren, Stella Orfanos-Woo, Xochitl Tirado, and Elizabeth Treviño.

Visitors: Melody Chronister, Sheila Dorsey-Freeman, and Mary-Jo Wainwright.

B. Visitor's Comments

Mary-Jo Wainwright – I have filed a Level 2 Policy grievance against the district for repeated failure to comply with the contract to provide timely and proper completion and return of faculty evaluations. Level 2 Policy Grievances are filed with the HR director. I did attempt to seek an informal resolution before bringing this action forward.

C. Consent Agenda

1. Academic Senate Minutes 2017-09-06
2. Curriculum Minutes 2017-06-01
3. Recommendations to President CC 06-01-17

Jose Plascencia—I would like the minutes to reflect my attendance at the 2017-09-06 meeting of the Academic Senate.

Michael Heumann—The amendment is added to the Consent Agenda motion.

(MSC: Burt/Epps) Motion carried as amended.

D. Past President's Report – Michael Heumann

President Lofgren informs me that there will be an election for the position of Academic Senate Vice President at the next meeting on 4 October 2017.

E. Treasurer's Report – Jeff Burt

Currently we have a balance of \$3,902.80.

F. Action Items

Campus Hour – Michael Heumann.

Is there a motion on whether or not to have Campus Hour?

Melani Guinn – I move to end Campus Hour.

Austen Thelen – When surveyed, the Behavioral Science & Social Science department overwhelmingly supported the continuation of Campus Hour, and further supported reducing it from its current 4 days per week to two.

Mary-Jo Wainwright—My concern is the Faculty Committee requirement in the contract. Currently there are not enough committees for all faculty to participate as the contract specifies. If committee scheduling is more limited, faculty participation will go down, and that lack of full faculty participation in campus committees will become an accreditation issue again.

Jia Sun – Most faculty in the Science, Math & Engineering department support the continuation of Campus Hour but would like it reduced to one or two days per week.

Jose Plascencia – Most Counselors support the continuation of Campus Hour but would like it reduced to two days per week.

Karla Espejo – The ASG (Associated Student Government) uses Campus Hour for its meeting times. It's also when student clubs meet. Campus Hour is crucial for building a sense of community among students.

Roberta Webster – Nursing students overwhelmingly support getting rid of Campus Hour.

(MSC: Guinn/Esqueda) Motion fails.

Melani Guinn – I move to change Campus Hour to two days a week, same time [12:50 – 1:50 pm], Mondays and Wednesdays.

Melody Chronister – Suggests moving Campus Hour to 1:30 – 2:55 pm on Mondays and Wednesdays, allowing classes to be scheduled during that time for added sections of high-demand classes.

Melani Guinn & Roberta Webster – We adopt that change to our motion.

(MSC: Guinn/Webster) Motion pulled by movers.

G. Discussion Items

1. Changes to Course Schedule and Student Guide Development Process – Melody Chronister.

H. Reports

1. CART – None
2. SLO – None
3. DE – None
4. Equivalency – None
5. BFPC – None
6. ISSC – None

I. For the Good of the Order

None.

J. Adjournment

Adjourned 1:53 PM.

Next meeting will be 4 October 2017.

In accordance with the Ralph M. Brown Act and SB 751, minutes of the IVC Academic Senate record the votes of all committee members as follows: (1) Members recorded as absent are presumed not to have voted; (2) the names of members voting in the minority or abstaining are recorded; (3) all other members are presumed to have voted in the majority.