

The De Anza Academic Senate

Approved Notes from the Meeting of January 23rd, 2017

Senators and Officers present: Alexander, Clem, Cruz, Deck, Delas, Dolen, Donahue, Hertler, Kalpin, Karmi, Klingman, Leonard, Liu, Malek, Miskin, Nguyen, Setziol, Stockwell, Subramaniam, and Sullivan

Senators and Officers Absent : Breen, DiLeonardo, Kragalott, Levy, Pape, Rodriguez, Vargas

DASB: Kurumi Sasaki

FA Liaison: Bob Stockwell

Classified Senate:

Curriculum Co Chair: Ram Subramaniam

Administrative Liaison: Randy Bryant

Director of Diversity, Social Justice, and Multicultural Ed.:

Guests: President Murphy and Sheila White-Daniels

[NOTE: Item numbers are reflective of agenda numbers in the order they are actually taken up at the meeting.]

The meeting was called together at 2:31, a quorum being present.

I. Welcome – Part one: Cruz welcomed all of those in attendance and acknowledged the presence of college President Brian Murphy. Murphy addressed the group to welcome everyone to the new quarter and to talk about strategies being employed and discussed relative to the Donald Trump administration and its announced agenda, understood to be a direct threat to an estimated 1,500 De Anza students and to announce upcoming events including division meetings wherein Murphy will engage faculty as to how their departments and divisions can help students deal with the current environment.

– Part two: The group conducted a conversation on respectful interactions, both among the Executive Committee members and, especially, among all present when guests are present and, particularly, when those guest are present for controversial items. All three officers introduced the phenomenon, the goal of the Call In culture, and a request for specific means to deal with guests when guests become disrespectful. A number of Senators spoke to the issue. Several times Cruz said that this conversation would continue. There appeared to be a growing consensus that some kind of formal code of behavior was called for and that, although it was specifically the officer's responsibility to stop bullying et cetera, it was also the responsibility of everyone in the group to support the officers when they step in to stop misbehavior. References to the Brown Act and Roberts' rules of order were made as were the need to advise guests ahead of time of expectations. Finally, it was said that members of the group could speak first

during controversial items to model good behavior and that a code of conduct including the sanction of removal could perhaps be posted in the meeting room.

II. Adoption of Agenda and Approval of Notes: The agenda was approved as distributed with Cruz announcing that, as per the tradition of the Academic Senate, Item VI would be taken up before item III because the guest presenter was already in attendance.

VI. Discussion/Information: Early Alert/Starfish Presentation and Recommendation: Sheila White-Daniels made a detailed presentation speaking to all preparatory and participatory aspects of the Starfish system which has been fully funded through Student Success and Student Equity monies. In her overview, speaking to items projected onto the screen, she presented a structure of Background, Vision, Planning, Implementation Details, and Next Steps. De Anza is one of 9 colleges in a statewide pilot project. The key, according to White-Daniels, is to get collegewide involvement. To this end, an Early Alert/Retention Core Team has been started which needs more faculty and Academic Senate support. **It was MSCU (Sullivan/Leonard)** to support the implementation of the Starfish Early Alert system. Cruz and Nguyen volunteered to join the Core Team. Others are welcome.

Cruz, without objection, took up item VB because the presenter would no longer be present if the posted order of items was followed from this point.

VB. SLO Convocation – funding request: Leonard, on behalf of Pape and the SLO group, requested \$600 for feeding attendees at the convocation. **It was MSC (Sullivan/Donahue)** to approve the request.

III. Needs and Confirmations: Shagun Kaur, Alex Kramer, and Russell Hong were confirmed for service on the Speech Search and Selection Committee (2 positions). Some concern was expressed about the lack of an Equal Opportunity (EO) Representative at the time of confirmation. Cruz asked for patience as the new system of District selection of EO representatives gets up to speed. Roseanne Quinn was confirmed for service on the ongoing English/Reading Search and Selection Committee. Susan Tavernetti, Barak Goldman, and Aimee Gillette were confirmed for service on the Film/TV Search and Selection Committee. Moto Ohtake, Eugene Rodriguez, and Elizabeth Mjelde were confirmed for service on the Studio Art Search and Selection Committee. David Gray, Cinzia Muzzi, Ram Subramaniam, and Erik Woodbury were confirmed for service on the Chemistry Search and Selection Committee. Kulwant Singh, Cheryl Owiesny, and Danielle Von Matt were confirmed for service on the Men's Soccer Search and Selection Committee

VA. Action Item: Board Policy and Administrative Procedure 5300 – Third reading: Cruz again distributed and projected proposed changes to Board Policy (BP) and Administrative Procedure (AP) 5300. It was MSCU (Miskin/Clem) to approve both documents.

IV. Public Comment: None

VII. Reports: - Cruz mentioned her President's Report which had been distributed electronically. She asked that the Senators read carefully, especially the portions pointing to guest speakers coming soon. A current topic of discussion is a concern for the future of academic freedom and civic responsibility given the current political climate. Cruz ended by pointing to the section of her report dealing with the cross listing approval method, now ready for implementation.

- Nguyen reported that the IPBT was in the process of determining criteria for funding requests for Strong Workforce Initiative funding.
- Subramaniam reminded the group of the new Senate approved deadlines for curriculum submission and approval. He asked that the Senators tell their constituents to look at the curriculum website for the details.

VIII. Meeting Evaluation: - It was said that the discussion of how to deal with guests who are not aware of or disregarded orderly conduct boundaries was very good.

- Deck again called for the consideration of having the posted agenda include appearances by the college president. Cruz responded by bringing up the long standing tradition of allowing the college president to address the group any time he or she appeared and that it was not always possible to know in advance when president Murphy would appear. Reasons to at least attempt an agenda item were stated. The idea will be an agenda item in the near future.
- It was observed that few of the groups listed as reporting had ever reported.

IX. Good of the Order and Appreciations: - Klingman expressed concern about the loss of some 200 parking spaces due to the moving of drop and go parking to a regular parking area.

- Presentation and discussion of the *New York Times* free editions was announced for Thursday, January 26th.
- Donahue advised those who were inclined to go up to the Sierra snow country to wait because of current dangerous conditions.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 PM.