

Moorpark College Academic Senate Council Minutes: DRAFT

Tuesday, September 16nd, 2014, 2:30-4:00pm in Admin 138

STANDING MEMBERS						Guests
POSITION	NAME	PRESENT	POSITION	NAME	PRESENT	
ASC Pres	Mary Rees	X	EATM	Gary Wilson		Cintia Diriwaechter_Melia
ASC V.P.	Nenagh Brown	X	Health Education/Kinesiology	TBA		Farshid Orak
ASC Secretary	Nathan Bowen		Health Sciences	Jamee Maxey Alt. Dalila Sankaran		Rex Edwards
ASC Treasurer	Mary Mills	X	Library	Mary LaBarge	X	
ACCESS	Melanie Masters	X	Life Sciences	Jazmir Hernandez	X	
Athletics	Howard Davis	X	Mathematics	Phil Abramoff	X	
Behavioral Sciences	Dan Vieira	X	Music/Dance	James Song		
Business	Reet Sumal		Physics/Astronomy/Engineering	Scarlet Relle / Erik Reese	XX	
Chemistry/Earth Sciences	Deanna Franke	X	Social Sciences	Hugo Hernandez	X	
Child Development	Kristi Almeida	X	Student Health Center	Sharon Manakas	X	
Comm Studies/Theater Arts/FTVM	John Loprieno	X	Visual & Applied Arts/Media Arts	Christine Marx	X	
Counseling	Traci Allen	X	World Languages	Raquel Olivera	X	
English/ ESL	Sydney Sims	X	Curriculum Chair (non-voting)	Jerry Mansfield		
			<i>Student Liaison</i>			

In accordance with the Ralph M. Brown Act and SB 751, minutes of the Moorpark College Academic Senate will record the votes of all 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.

2:30 pm—Call to Order

I) Public Comments

Phil Abramoff brought up a concern that Academic Renewal was being taken too casually since its reworking. Farshid Orak, President of Associated Students, introduced some of the key concerns of students at this time: lack of a cafeteria, lack of student jobs on campus, etc. He believes it is the right time to start work on the Campus Center that student monies have been put aside for over several years. Please contact Associated Students with any concerns or questions.

II) Approval of Minutes

- a) August 19, 2014
Unanimously approved
- b) Sept 2, 2014
Move to table as not updated fully; unanimously approved

III) Reports

- a) Committees
 - i) CurCom
 - (1) Any questions about labor data please go to Carmen, who will house all of it in future.
 - ii) Fac/Tech
 - (1) Focus on Facilities Master Plan; be there at Fall Fling (sign up with Conni Bittinger)!
 - iii) Prof Dev, Fiscal and EdCAP all to come.
- b) Officer Reports
 - i) Treasurer
 - (1) Form for dues now in mailboxes; please complete!
 - ii) Secretary
 - (1) New requirements under Brown Act for recording votes;
 - (2) **Proposed and seconded to bring suggested wording for agendas to next meeting as new business. Passed unanimously, included within this document in italics.**
 - iii) Vice President
 - (1) Thanks to all Council representatives for finding volunteers for the Sabbatical Leave Committee; about ten offers received so we should have broad representation from arts, humanities and sciences on the committee. The call for proposals should go out this week: the non-contractual date for drafts to go to the Tech Review Group is October 13; the contractual deadline for final drafts to go to the Office of the EVP is November 3. Spread the word!

- iv) President
 - (1) The ASC has been asked to host a presentation on campus sustainability; it will be agendized next meeting.
 - (2) OC concern over new Assistant Dean position to take responsibility over “transitional math” voiced at BofT meeting. OC has made the decision to re-emphasize transitional studies (basic skills) in this new organizational way; there was much discussion about pedagogy, etc. Although not the business of MC the discussion to set up a transitional studies was approved.
 - (3) Budget discussions at BofT, especially with concern over the extremely tight budgets and the potential use of reserves.
 - (4) Online Initiative: request from State for input from faculty; contact Mary for more information and link to survey.
 - (5) Adult Ed.: request from state for input about where best to house responsibility for adult education; survey sent out to all MC faculty. Do complete if you are involved or interested in Adult Ed.; this might be the moment for community colleges to take over responsibility (vs. our forced withdrawal from this area a couple of years ago).
 - (6) Get Moovin’ organized to increase health awareness within District; it will be held on Oct 11 at Arroyo Verde Park in Ventura. Please spread the word; sign up by this Friday.
 - (7) Student Success data now being sent into MIS; it looks really good. Thanks to all involved, especially counselors and IT.
 - (8) AB 2558 focuses on professional development towards student success; please be aware of this new bill and support!
 - (9) Program plan deadline now moved from September 15 to September 26.
 - (10) MC Presidential hiring in process.
 - (11) First Faculty Co-Chairs meeting held to much enthusiasm by members.

IV) Unfinished Business

- a) Academic Senate goals for 2014-15
 - i) There was a request from Council last meeting for an addition to the goals to cover a recent insensitive top-down decision from administration. The AS President proposed a new third action step for Goal 7 as follows (To preserve and promote morale across the campus):

“Action 3: Work with the Classified Senate and the Administration to provide a collaborative environment on campus.”

Some discussion focusing on Council’s desire to strengthen the wording; one person believes that college atmosphere of participatory governance is eroding. Decision made to ask AS President to bring up issue with Vice Presidential Council directly and ask for their guidance on this issue. Any direct examples that affect the charge of the Senate to go to the AS President.
- b) MC Academic Senate By-laws and Constitution
 - i) Co-Chairs meeting asked its members to read and contribute comments on the draft proposal, particularly on the section of the by-laws that described the role and responsibilities of the standing committees and their co-chairs.
- c) Review and update Making Decision Document
 - i) After last Council meeting request made to AFT to explain its position on requested membership on the Student Success and Equity Committee; they were unable to come this meeting but hope to come soon.
 - ii) Recommendation to make DE advisory committee a standing committee membership also on hold; we are waiting for input from EVP.
- d) MoU with LaVerne
 - i) Concern at recent advertising on portal that implies students can get four-year degree at Moorpark College; AS President to bring the concern to the administration again; full discussion probably not going to happen until new college president in place.

V) New Business

- a) Student Success and Student Equity Plans
 - i) The two documents have not yet been completed for Senate input and both are due to the Board for their first reading in October. The AS President cannot sign off on these unless the AS Council has had the opportunity to comment; she will send the plans out as soon as she receives them.
- b) Budget discussion regarding AS scholarship and Spring luncheon
 - i) The Treasurer presented report on 2014 Spring luncheon. The discussion focused on the following issues.
 - (1) The \$12 charged per person did not cover the \$14.75 cost. Should \$15 be charged per ticket?
 - (2) Do we want to continue inviting Classified as the guests of the faculty? Faculty did not raise enough money to cover the number of Classified attending last year.
 - (3) What can we do to encourage more faculty to attend the lunch? Is it the price? The timing? Can we do a SurveyMonkey to find out more?
 - (4) All representatives to go back to their departments to ask for feedback on the lunch.
 - ii) The Treasurer brought up the issue of the AS scholarships. Currently she has budgeted three scholarships at \$500 per award for a cost of \$1500 for this year. Group agreed with this in essence, adding “up to three scholarships of \$500 each” to ensure that the Senate does not have to award all three awards if the applicant pool does not warrant it. Decision made to bring issue back to Senate for a final vote, with the criteria included in the discussion. Reps to take issues back to departments.

VI) Future Topics for AS Council

- a) Adult Education Plan- survey & committee
- b) Facilities Master Plan
- c) Tech Master Plan
- d) Enrollment Management Plan
- e) District Policies

VII) Announcements

- a) September 19th (Friday) – Fall Fling
- b) September 24th Derek Clark
- c) Rendezvous at the Zoo Oct 9th
- d) Get Moovin Oct 11th
- e) October 21st (Tuesday) – EdCAP gap analysis report – study session
- f) (TBD) – CALSTRS

Meeting adjourned at 4.00pm