

Moorpark College Academic Senate Council Minutes

Tuesday, September 17, 2013, 2:30 – 4:00pm in Admin 138

STANDING MEMBERS						Guests
POSITION	NAME	PRESENT	POSITION	NAME	PRESENT	
ASC Pres	Mary Rees	X	EATM	Gary Wilson	X	Rex Edwards (AFT Rep) Svetlana Kasalovic
ASC V.P.	Nenagh Brown	X	Health Education/Kinesiology	Jeff Kreil		
ASC Secretary	Nathan Bowen	X	Health Sciences	Jamee Maxey Alt. Dalila Sankaran	DS	
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	X	Physics/Astronomy/Engineering	Ron Wallingford	X	
Chemistry/Earth Sciences	Deanna Franke	X	Social Sciences	Hugo Hernandez	X	
Child Development	Kristi Almeida		Student Health Center	Sharon Manakas	X	
Comm Studies/Theater Arts/FTVM	John Loprieno	X	Visual & Applied Arts/Media Arts	Lydia Etman Alt. Joanna Miller	LE, JM	
Computer Sci/CNSE/CIS	Vish Viswanath	X	World Languages	Raquel Olivera	X	
Counseling	Traci Allen	X	Curriculum Chair (non-voting)	Jerry Mansfield	X	
English/ ESL	Sydney Sims	X	<i>Student Liaison</i>	Andrew Brown / Melvin Kim	AB, MK	

Quick Recap

Topic	Discussion/Comments	Action
Senate Leadership	ASC dues should be sent to Mary Mills by 10/4/13. Call for Sabbatical leave applications will be sent this week. Vote to approve 2013-14 MC committee representatives document with amendments sent to Nathan Bowen.	Motion passed unanimously
ACCESS	Concern about technology use in the classroom and adequately preparing ACCESS students	Concern brought to Dean of Student Services, who will look at ACCESS's role
AP 4240 - Academic Renewal	This topic has been loosely addressed last year and will need further review to move forward.	
Sabbatical Review Document	Vote to approve tie-breaker language.	Motion passed unanimously
District Master Plan	Our suggestions were moved forward and were well received. The master plan has undergone extensive reductions (from six goals to three). More suggestions have been forwarded here.	Approval vote is postponed

2:30 pm—Call to Order

I) **Public Comments** (Those wishing to make public comments must be in attendance before 2:30pm)

II) **Study Session** Year of Technology and Humanity - Svetlana Kasalovic. Please visit <http://www.mcwebspace.net/theyearof/>. There is a general commitment from this year's 'Year Of' committee to raise the bar in terms of academic excellence in the types of events hosted and sponsored for the Year of Technology and Humanity. One main point is that we are investigating the possibility of hosting a TEDx conference in the spring. See <http://www.ted.com/tedx>. Ideas for guest speakers are welcome and can be forwarded to Svetlana.

III) **Approval of Minutes**

a) September 3, 2013

IV) **Reports**

- a) Committees
 - i) Curriculum, Fac/Tech, Professional Development, Fiscal and EdCAP
 - (1) Curriculum: Distance Ed has a workgroup, developing an addendum showing best practices. These are attached to CORs.
 - (2) Fac/Tech: There will be a master plan for both Moorpark College Facilities and Technology, with a target for these to be finalized this semester. ITAC (the District IT Committee) has a trajectory for their master plan to be presented by the end of the academic year.
 - (3) EdCAP: The committee is planning to start preparatory work this year on the accreditation self-study due in 2015/16. The goal is to collect the evidence required in a more consistent manner and also to identify any gaps that become evident in the standards required through a gap analysis.
- b) Officer Reports
 - i) Treasurer: October 4th is the due date to receive ASC dues. First, we'll establish the budget for the year, and then we will work on the scholarship process (tentatively starting in January).
 - ii) Vice President: the call is going out for Sabbatical applications this week. Watch for the news in your email inboxes.
 - iii) Secretary: Committee Representatives for 2013-14 has been created distributed (handout). Motion to approve committee representatives as specified in the handout, with changes submitted and amended. Approved unanimously.
 - iv) President: Regarding the District Master Plan, there have been revisions after receiving feedback from each college, which are welcome. Mainly, the document is being trimmed (significantly) to leave discretion of implementation to the colleges. Mid-term Accreditation Report: the feedback we provided has been well received. There is a new institutional researcher on campus: Pamela Yeagley. Fall Fling is October 4th, at Brandeis Campus. Topics will include the Moorpark College Strategic Plan, CTE, and Student Success. The Vice Chancellor of Business position (formerly held by Sue Johnson) is being reopened for hiring, posted during the month of September. There is currently an interim for this year. Jane Harmon is hired on a contract to work on the District Master Plan. President's Council, recommended through the Accreditation Report, has taken place. Some feedback: suggestion for the end-of-year celebration to include classified retirees. In the past some classified employees reaching retirement have attended expecting to be honored but weren't. Along these lines, the classified vs. faculty divide has always been artificial, but there are some things we might want to think about in terms of the way Academic Senate sponsors these types of honors. For example, ASC funds help support the purchase of bricks for faculty who have served 50 semesters or over, but classified employees currently have no equivalent way of honoring their staff who have served equally long periods.

V) Unfinished Business

- a) District Master Plan (3rd reading)
 - i) The number of goals has been reduced from six to three, highlighting the District's role as supportive to colleges rather than proscriptive.
 - ii) Strategic Goal 1 (p. 9) suggestions:
 - (1) Remove or move 'use of technology and remaining competitive...' to another spot. It is a mechanism, not a core goal.
 - (2) ACCESS needs to be included in this goal.
 - (3) The last two sentences are statements, but not really outlining a course of action.
 - (4) Perhaps scope and rationale—for each goal on p. 9—should be partitioned.
 - (5) *Promoting* access and student success is the real crux of this goal. 'Increase' can be misleading.
 - (6) The language of 'student equity' is not listed, neither is 'ACCESS.' Both of these are a kind of code that could possibly infer the same thing, or mean different things. How is this language or meaning conveyed? Are these words necessary, or are they temporary buzz words whose meaning might change over the years? At any rate, how do we ensure that student services normally provided by ACCESS, EOPS, etc. are present within the plan (or are these individual college concerns)?
 - iii) Strategic Goal 2 (p. 9) suggestions:
 - (1) 'Partner' with whom? Clarification needed.
- b) AP 4240 – Academic Renewal
 - i) Ventura College was the first college within our district to relook at this AP and propose changes. These changes were very drastic, generating a response from MC Counselors calling for a broadened scope, including environmental scans. Counselors however did support most of the changes from last Spring. This message of support was not communicated well to Council who voted against any changes. We will provide copies of the most recent Academic Renewal documents for the next meeting for review.
- c) Academic Senate goals for 2013-14
 - i) This discussion is tabled for next meeting. Forward goals and suggestions to Nathan Bowen.

- d) MC Academic Senate By-laws and Constitution workgroup [set up](#): Phil Abramoff, Mary LaBarge, [and](#) Nenagh Brown [volunteered](#).
- e) Sabbatical Document review. Tie-breaking language has been modified as requested. Motioned and unanimously approved as amended.
- f) MoU with LaVerne (for next meeting)

VI) New Business

- a) Online Orientation workgroup

VII) Future Topics

- a) Community Service
- b) Facilities Master Plan
- c) Tech Master Plan
- d) District Policies

VIII) Announcements

- a) Fall Fling: Friday, October 4