

The De Anza Academic Senate

Approved Notes of the meeting of November 19th, 2012

Senators and Officers present: Ahrens, Anderson-Watkins, Botsford, Bryant, Cole, CruzChow, Donahue, Dunn, Freeman, Glapion, Hanna, Hanzimanolis, Kang-Robinson, Kryliouk, Larson, Leonard, McCart, Newell, Pacheco, Setziol, Swanner, Truong, and VonMatt

Senators and Officers Absent: , Chenoweth, Lewis, Schaffer, Sullivan,

DASB: Tatyana Grinenko

Classified Senate: Lois Jenkins

Administrative Liaison: Coleen Lee-Wheat

Director of Diversity, Social Justice, and Multicultural Ed.: Neal (present briefly at start)

Guests: Gregory Anderson, Edmundo Norte, Angela Caballero de Cordero
Faculty and Staff Development:

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

The meeting was called to order at 2:33, a quorum being present.

I. Approval of Notes and Agenda: The agenda was approved as distributed. The notes of the meeting of November 5th were approved as distributed with minor corrections.

II. Needs and Confirmations: There were no needs or confirmations. Instead this time slot in the agenda was filled with announcements and discussion of items not on the agenda. First, Chow said that congratulations were in order for Cruz on her reelection to the San Jose Evergreen CC Board of Trustees. Next, she noted the death of De Anza faculty member Donna Bradshaw. Ahrens and others expressed concerns about the implications of the day's armed robbery on the Foothill campus, especially as regards the security response. The officers clarified some of the emergency procedures in place at De Anza and actions faculty could take like checking to see if the phones in classrooms were working so that classes could be informed of potentially dangerous situations and what to do to address immediate concerns. After further discussion, Chow agreed to make the matter an agenda item and to invite someone from Campus Security to come and address the group. Finally, Edmundo Norte addressed the group on the topic of work done by the Africana Action Committee, PE Dean, and Athletics faculty prior to, as well as subsequent to, statements made about African American student athletes and support on campus for those students, primarily from the Physical Education and

Athletics faculty and staff. Ongoing meetings have served to broaden the scope of discussion and, it is hoped, to produce promising results for the college and its students. The group was reminded by Senator Vonmatt that the rules governing athletics do not allow the college to offer the kinds of special support for student athletes that Division 1 colleges/universities can provide.

III. Joint PBTs and College Council Update: Chow distributed a new budget handout showing the effects of the passage of Proposition 30. While the district and colleges have significantly reduced budget reduction targets (about 50% of “worst case scenario”) thanks to increased tax revenue from Prop 30, they still need to reduce. Chow shared the PBT’s new reduction targets shared at the joint PBT meeting; for IPBT, VP of Instruction Espinosa-Pieb announced that the new targets would hit around item 27-28 on the latest proposed reduction list. Complicating the situation is the fact that the district’s enrollment is down, and we need to make up a 4% shortfall in order to avoid a permanent negative adjustment in state apportionment/revenue. At present De Anza is running approximately 2% below its enrollment target and Foothill around 8%. To increase the likelihood that the college will be able to reach its target, there will be, in some cases, opportunities to add sections of classes. At this point the group launched into a discussion about maintaining and increasing enrollments. Three points of discussion stood out: 1) adding as many students from waiting lists as possible, 2) revisiting the college drop policy and giving students more ways to feel they belong in classes and at the college, 3) informing faculty and advising students of the consequences of withdrawing from classes; 4) messaging to students, faculty, and community to enroll in courses, particularly courses in PE and ARTS that will not be repeatable after this academic year. DASB representative Tatyana Grinenko informed the group that DASB plans on making classroom announcements about post-Prop 30 update and encouraging students to enroll in the increased class sections that will be offered in Winter 2013.

IV. Cross Listings/FSAs Update: Setziol went over the list of division reports due. Although several of the four due were not complete, all were said by the responsible Senators to be close to completion. Only Physical Education was said to be complete. There may have to be a follow up series of activities because of uncertainties as to the part of the task calling for reconciliation of discipline and FSA designations for parallel courses at Foothill. Senators were reminded that it was their responsibility to launch the reconciliation through communication but not to provide facilitation unless they were comfortable doing that. For more information about Foothill contacts, Senators in doubt were advised to contact Carolyn Holcroft at Foothill. The item ended with the answer to an inquiry as to the need for reconciliation. Setziol responded that, for full time faculty, the reconciliation would determine whether or not they could be reassigned to Foothill or not and whether Foothill faculty could be reassigned to De Anza in case of

reduction in force. In other words, it could determine who would be laid off and who would not.

V. BO 6060 and AP 6060: In light of the dwindling time available for the remaining items on the agenda, the item was postponed to the meeting of November 26th. Senators were asked to be prepared to approve or suggest modifications to the documents. Chow will resend the draft language.

VI. Program Discontinuance and Viability Processes: Chow and Bryant led the group carefully through different aspects of the IPBT document on Program Discontinuance, most notably changes made in the document itself based on the discussion November 5th, and the relationships between various groups involved in the process. Once again there were multiple questions and comments including what criteria were applied and how those criteria were determined and how a program was to know what criteria would be determining factors in having a program put into the discontinuance process. Chow took careful notes and, after allowing time for discussion, brought up the idea of forming a task force to examine all aspects of the process and the Senate's legitimate interest in them and comparing the contents of the new ASCCC paper on program discontinuance with the process at the college and in the District. There was a mixed response with some supporting the idea of forming a task force and others saying either that what needed to happen did not require a task force or that, while they supported the idea of a task force, their current time commitments did not allow them to volunteer for such a group. The item will return.

VII: Statewide Senate Resolutions: The item was held over.

VIII. Good of the Order: - Two flyers were distributed announcing a Transgender Day of Remembrance Tuesday, November 20th.

- Faculty were reminded to look in their mailboxes for any Student Academic Progress inquiry forms.
- The long awaited grand opening of the Media and Learning Center building will be held Friday, November 30th from 1:00 to 3:00.
- A bookstore event December 5th will include some kind of fashion show. The possibility of making this event large and inviting and then having it promote students enrolling in more classes was posed. The idea will be an agenda item November 26th.

The meeting was adjourned at 4: 35