

**Reedley College Academic Senate Minutes
Tuesday, September 9, 2014 (2:00-3:30PM)
Reedley Campus LRC 104 | Madera Center AV1-101D**

1. Meeting Called to Order/Quorum at 2:03pm

Officers		Present	Absent
President	Stephanie Curry	X	
V.P. for Senate Bus.	Rick Garza	X	
V.P. for Curriculum	Pam Gilmore	X	
Secretary	Emily Berg	X	
Rep. to ASCCC	Lore Dobusch		X
M.O.F.A.	Kristen Mattox	X	
Immediate Past Pres.	Jeff Ragan	X	

Guests:	
Jan Dekker	
Eileen Apperson-Williams	
Sandra Fuentes	
Claudia Habib	

Department	Senator	Present	Absent	Department	Senator	Present	Absent
Adjunct Fac. (1)	L. Gonzalez	X		Fine Arts & Soc. Sci. (1)	G. Cartwright	X	
AG & Nat Resources (1)	D. Sperling		X	Fine Arts & Soc. Sci. (2)	D. Richardson	X	
Auxiliary (1)	Vacant		X	Science & Tech. (1)	R. Fleuridor	X	
Business (1)	D. Morales	X		Science & Tech. (2)	Vacant		X
Business (2)	F. Underwood		X	Phys. Ed. & Health (1)	J. Hacker		X
Business (3)	E. Sandoval	X		Phys. Ed. & Health (2)	K. Lockin		X
Comp., Lit. & Comm. (1)	K. Watts	X		Phys. Ed. & Health (3)	M. Davidson	X	
Comp., Lit. & Comm. (2)	R. LaSalle	X		Industrial Tech. (1)	Vacant		X
Comp., Lit. & Comm. (3)	R. Synder	X		Math & Tech (1)	J. Gilmore	X	
				Math & Tech (2)	W. Tayar		X
Counseling (1)	G. Spear	X					
Counseling (2)	S. Trimble**	X		Reading & Lang. (1)	J. Zigler		X
Counseling (3)	J. Bedolla	X		Reading & Lang. (2)	F. Amezola	X	

**Melissa Affeldt, proxy for S. Trimble

2. Public Comment. None.
3. Roll Call / Review of Senate Members and Guests.
4. Consideration of August 26, 2014 minutes.
Garza: move to approve; second: Snyder. Approved.
5. Amend agenda, if necessary. N/A.
6. Department Reports
None.
7. Committee Reports

District Standing Committees

- Communications Council
- Strategic Planning for District-wide Facilities Committee
- Information System Advisory Committee
- District Strategic Planning
- District Budget Resource Allocation Advisory Committee
 - (J. Gilmore) DBRAAC will not meet this or next week meeting. A sub-committee is working on an evaluation tool that will be presented in three weeks at the next

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scheduled meeting. We still need a representative for Reedley College to serve on this crucial committee.

- (Mattox): We might have a representative from Madera willing to serve.

District Ad Hoc Committees

- District Staffing Plan Taskforce
- District Decision Making Task Force
- District Technology Taskforce

Academic Senate Standing Committees

- Academic Standards
 - (Dekker): We still need one more member on this committee, which has met once already this semester.
- Curriculum (P. Gilmore)
 - Cycle 1 meets this Friday; meetings continue for Cycle 2.
- Equivalency (Berg)
 - The newly approved equivalency that has been recently reviewed in Fall 14 is:
 - Jim A. Fox, Geography
- Faculty Professional Development (Flex)
- Program Review
- SLO Committee

Academic Senate Ad Hoc Committees

- Constitution and Bylaws Review Ad Hoc Committee (Garza) We have collected initial comments to create a working strike-out document to bring to the body soon.

State Center Federation of Teachers (A.F.T. Local 1533) (report sent in by Borofka)

- Michelle Pannett was recently hired as full time Executive Director/Organizer for the local; she will be working with Sheila Martin (FCC) and Maria Ortiz (RC) on grievances as well as various organizational duties. Her job description is on Blackboard.
- Executive Council held an all-day planning meeting on September 6. Discussions dealt with the roles of exec council officers to the local's vision for the future and how the union can better articulate its role for the membership as well as within the community.
- The exec council will be interviewing candidates for the upcoming Board of Trustees election. Those interviews will take place on Thursday and Friday of this week. A candidate forum is also tentatively scheduled for the FCC campus.

College Ad Hoc Committees

- Educational Master Plan

College Committees

- Accreditation
- Distance Education
- Sabbatical Leave
- Salary Advancement
- Strategic Planning
- Budget
 - (Curry) Forms for each program should be going out to departments soon.
- College Council
- Facilities

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- Health and Safety
- Staff Development
- Student Conduct
- Student Success

8. Old Business

8.1 Reedley College SSSP Plan (Claudia Habib and Sandra Fuentes).

P. Gilmore: move to approve; second: Fleuridor. Approved.

8.2 Reedley College Midterm Accreditation Report (Jan Dekker and Eileen Apperson)

(Apperson): In addition to the district response, there are three responses (i.e. integrated planning/SLOs/participatory governance) to how we are advancing these recommendations.

(Dekker): There was a data anomaly with online Math classes that has been changed.

Garza: move to approve; second: Ragan. Approved.

8.3 Resolution to Open AR 4020 and 4260

(P. Gilmore): There have been many emails sent this morning questioning the need to open AR 4260. When we 4260 opened last time, FCC wrote it to include our permission to add prerequisites using content review only. That took two years and was finally approved. We recently attempted to use it and were denied by ECPC, who said we needed to have a plan as required by Title 5 for content review. This led us to where we are today, creating the resolution to open 4260 to address the plan. FCC said they felt that the original edit of 4260 included the plan, which administration in ECPC is saying we do not have. I am still in favor of this resolution but wanted everyone to know.

(Curry): There is confusion in the language of Title 5 that says that a plan must be approved by the Board of Trustees. The only way we can a plan to be approved by the Board of Trustees is to put it in an AR. There are varying interpretations of what Title 5 says; the faculty and Curriculum chairs at both locations say we have already met it, but the district says we have not. Since they are the ones who recommend curriculum to the board, we are asking for the Board to open up the ARs to change this.

(P. Gilmore): The administration is afraid that the Curriculum committees will inundate prerequisites, students will therefore have trouble finding courses to take, and the district would lose FTES. However, our Program Review process requires us to look at prerequisites and content of the courses.

Garza: move to approve; second: J. Gilmore. Approved.

(Curry): Since this was approved, I will present it to Communications Council.

8.4 RC Human Resources Staffing Plan

(Curry): Dr. Caldwell intends for this to be a “living document,” that will be modified as it needs to be, but they wanted to create consistent areas of data for everyone to look at. This would be in addition to the current faculty prioritization process on the faculty side.

Watts: move to approve; second: Garza. Approved.

9. New Business

9.1 None.

10. Informational Items

10.1 State Center AB 86 Adult Education Consortium Regional Comprehensive Plan Completed to Date July 2014.

(Curry): This grant was given to the district and the outlying elementary and secondary school districts to align adult education with community colleges; the first draft went to the state in

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July 2014. We did ask for many of our faculty to be represented on the committees, including Basic Skills, Career Technical, ESL, and Apprenticeship. I encourage everyone to read it and get feedback from departments. Some concerns as I read it were the use of some terms such as curriculum, especially “standardized curriculum” and the creation of a curriculum committee, as well as mandatory trainings. Another draft will be created in October to send to the state in December. Specific comments will be sent to constituents on that committee, and if need be, I will send a letter to the director with our concerns.

(Synder): I am supposed to be on the Basic Skills listserv, but I have not gotten any information about it. There has not been much advanced notice about meeting times either.

(Curry): The process so far has been difficult; meetings have been irregularly scheduled or have been scheduled during prime teaching time for our campuses.

10.2 Parking fines and fees.

(Curry): In College Council last week, the Police Chief presented information about increasing fines and fees significantly and quickly. Next year, parking violations will increase from \$16 to \$40. Daily passes will go up from \$1 to \$2. Parking passes will increase every year for the next five years. He says that our parking lots need repair, and there is not enough funds to cover the repair. The cost to maintain the lots currently is \$1 million a year, and they are only bringing in less than \$500,000 each year from their fines and fees. The money raised from these increases will be used just to maintain lots, and no future parking will be added.

(J. Gilmore): There is no way of going in and talking to anyone about a parking ticket currently.

(Spears): Oakhurst and Madera students go frequently to FCC to take classes because we don't offer some of the courses they need to finish their degrees; they pay for parking spots that aren't available on that campus.

(Mattox): Madera students pay the same but do not have the same services as the Reedley College campus, such as someone to monitor the lots consistently.

(Curry): The Police Chief says he is going around to constituency groups, including ASG groups at all campuses, to present price increases. The prices have not changed since 1991, but the fact that it is raised five years in a row without any additional parking is troubling.

(J. Gilmore): How can we give feedback?

(Curry): As this is not a Ten plus One issue, I don't think we can write a resolution. I will look into the process to see how we can give feedback. Please ask for feedback from your departments, which I will forward to the police department.

(Mattox): There is some information missing from the PowerPoint they provided.

(Fleuridor): Will fees go down once they repair the lots?

(Curry): No. I did suggest that they should look into adding additional parking, but the cost is so high to do this when they can't maintain the ones they have. This will go to the Board in November, so please send me feedback.

(J. Gilmore): Do RCM high school students have to purchase passes?

(Curry): Yes.

(Spear): Oakhurst does not have sufficient police monitoring and has had trouble with acts of violence and homeless people on campus. It is not fair to offer inequitable services but charge students the same.

11. Future Agenda Items

11.1. International Baccalaureate Tests/CLEP Exam

11.2. FW Grades

(Curry): I have been to a couple of meetings this week where the FW grade has been brought up. A few years ago, we did a resolution regarding FW grades, but at that time, FCC did not

want to pursue it. Because of the outcome-based funding going on right now, SLO assessments and overall an increased emphasis on accountability, there seems to be a renewed interest in bringing back this discussion to be able to designate what is a true F for content versus an F for failure to attend. I will broach this subject with the AS presidents at Willow and FCC to gauge their interest in bringing back this discussion.

12. Officers' Reports

12.1 President – Stephanie Curry

Board of Trustees Meeting September 2, 2014

- Board members heard a detailed report on District and College recommendations for the Colleges Accreditation Midterm Reports.
- A new Master Agreement was approved between SCCC and the SCCC Foundation
- Final 2014-2015 Final Budget was approved
- Change in title for the Associate Vice Chancellor of Human Resources approved. Title changed to Vice Chancellor of Human Resources
- Next Board of Trustees Meeting will be at the Madera Center on October 7 at 4:30pm. Location TBD.

College Council September 3, 2014

- Parking Fines and Fees Changes (see notes in Informational Items)
- SCCC is looking at no longer providing Direct Student Loans to students. The default rate is reaching critical levels and has the potential to impact Pell Grant availability for students. This would impact around seven students at RC (Reedley, Madera, Oakhurst and Willow), 40 students district-wide. Students would still be able to get Student Loans from independent loan distributors.

Request from State Academic Senate

The Online Education Initiative (OEI) has established a workgroup for the development of the Common Course Management System (CCMS) to be used for the future statewide online course exchange. The charge of this workgroup is to identify the required elements of the CCMS as it prepares for the process of selecting the vendor. As part of this process, **the CCMS Workgroup is seeking input from stakeholders. It is critical that faculty, particularly distance education faculty, provide input.** Please encourage your faculty to participate by going to the following web page:

<https://ccc.ideascale.com/a/ideafactory.do?mode=top&discussionFilter=byids&discussionID=8542>

Input will be received until September 22, so please encourage your faculty to provide input as soon as possible. For more information about the Online Education Initiative itself, please go <http://ccconlineed.org>.

12.2 MOFA – Kristen Mattox. No report.

12.3 Vice President for Senate Business – Rick Garza. Thanks to Rebecca for helping me to format the Committee Report form.

12.4 Vice President for Curriculum – Pam Gilmore. No report.

12.5 Secretary – Emily Berg. Send me an email if you would like to receive the Academic Senate meeting reminders on Microsoft Office.

12.6 State Representative – Lore Dobusch. Absent.

12.7 Immediate Past President – Jeff Ragan. No report.

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13. Other thoughts

None reported.

Motion to adjourn: Sandoval: second: La Salle. Approved.

Meeting adjourned at 2:45pm. Next regular meeting September 23, 2014 (2-4pm) RC-LRC 104, MC - AV1 101D/Oakhurst Center -7.