**Porterville College Academic Senate** **APPROVED**

**Minutes: October 28, 2022**

I. Robert Simpkins called the meeting to order at 8:04 AM.

II. Roll Call:

Voting Members: Robert Simpkins, President; Sarah Rector (Fine and Applied Arts), Vice President; Matthew Flummer (Social Science), Secretary-Treasurer; Joel Wiens (PC Foundation), Past President; Rickelle Syrdahl (Natural Science), Dave Kavern (Kinesiology), Elizabeth Buchanan (Language Arts), Lupe Guillen (Health Careers), Jim Carson (CTE), Stephanie Olmedo-Hinde (proxy for Ana Ceballos, Student Services), Miguel Ruelas (Math), Jacqueline Escareno Salas (Adjunct Rep)

Non-Voting Members: Melissa Long (Outcomes), Dustin Acres (Curriculum), Joy Lawrence (CCA), Rebecca Baird (OER/ZTC Taskforce)

Guests: Jim Entz, Jeff Jacobs, Ricardo Marmolejo

Absent: Ben Makino, Karen Bishop

III. The agenda was approved as amended \*(M-S-P, Dave Kavern, Lupe Guillen).

IV. The minutes from September 23 and October 14 were approved \*(M-S-P, Jim Carson, Sarah Rector). (Abstention – Stephanie Olmedo-Hinde)

V. Public Comments:

1. Jay Navarette
2. Chris Ebert

VI. Discussion/Action Items:

1. John Reid funds CHAP request - $3000 for Dr. Edwin Barnhart to come and speak on Maya hieroglyphs and archeology on campus. This will cover travel expenses and a stipend.
   1. Motion to approve the request: \*(M-S-P, Sarah Rector, Lupe Guillen)
2. Modern Policing Bachelor’s Program – an application is being prepared to send to the district for the program. AB 89 raised the standards for all new hires in law enforcement that requires them to have a bachelor’s degree. If we can’t put this in place, the nearest program is 50 miles away. By offering this locally, local people are able to complete this program and become law enforcement officers who have cultural competency for our area.
3. Student Equity Plan Early Draft – previous plans didn’t require much change. The new plan requires systemic change. One of the changes is for the college to be more ‘race conscious’. It is due November 30. Senators are encouraged to read and send comments to Ricardo.
4. New Faculty Position Request Rankings – We don’t know how many new faculty hires there will be yet. The results of the Senate ballots were compiled and shared. The results are our official recommendation for new faculty hires this year.
5. KCCD Academic Senates Joint Resolution on BP 6200 – The Senate previously voted to oppose raising the budget surplus from 15-20% to 20-25%. Robert Simpkins has requested the evidence behind why it should be raised to this level and the impact of raising it on the rest of the district’s budget, but has not had a response. Bakersfield and Cerro Coso’s Academic Senate have already voted in favor of the resolution. If approved by PC, it will be presented at the November Board of Trustees meeting.
   1. Motion to accept the resolution \*(M-S-P, Joel Wiens, Lupe Guillen)
6. Safety & Security Campus Policies/Faculty Role – The Safety and Security Committee hasn’t met since April. The Crisis Management Team has no faculty representation. The Senate will invite the campus security officer to the next meeting. Jim Carson noted that there are two separate issues: Access and Safety. We should separate these because we haven’t gotten anywhere on Access. But if we separate them, we might at least get traction on safety so that we can lock and unlock our doors.
7. New KCCD Academic Calendar Drafts – New calendars have been prepared for the district and a block of five weeks was proposed for Spring Break. By board policy we’re supposed to have calendars at least 2 years out.
8. HEERF Funds – We have unused funds that we must spend by the end of the academic year. $30,000 set aside for faculty professional development related to the pandemic.
9. ASCCC Fall 2022 Plenary Resolutions Packet – Plenary session is next week. All delegates are supposed to weigh in on the resolutions. Senators are encouraged to let Bob know if there are any resolutions that we should or shouldn’t support.
10. KCCD BPs & APs –any concerns about the language in board policy should be raised soon so that the feedback can be used in revisions
    1. BP/AP 4000s & 5000s
    2. BP/AP 8900 – there were concerns about the hiring process for temporary full-time faculty and proposed changes, but a final draft has not been shared

VI. Reports

1. Senate President – Bob met with the president to discuss hiring priorities and their next meeting will be November 8th. The district-wide Faculty Innovation and Leadership Investment Initiative has been extended and PC faculty should apply.
2. Curriculum – Math courses were all unexpectedly pulled from the Board Docs after approval at the last Curriculum Committee meeting. The primary focus is on MATH P122’s units and the impact on students, but subsequent discussions with President Habib have been going well. Continuing discussion on Title 5 and GE – we are currently out of compliance.
3. Distance Education – No Report
4. Outcomes – Outcomes Fest continues, Language Arts is later today, Student Services and Fine Arts are coming up.
5. OER/ZTC – There is likely some money to adopt OER/ZTC
6. CTE – No Report
7. Fine and Applied Arts – Choir concert last week was a full house; band concert is November 17th at 7pm and musicians will be performing in December. The art show was successful. The next on is November 7th.
8. Health Careers – No Report
9. Kinesiology – Winter sports are starting next week. Women’s Basketball has first game Wednesday.
10. Language Arts – No Report
11. Mathematics – No Report
12. Natural Sciences - No Report
13. Social Sciences – No Report
14. Student Services – Counseling division will be having popup events on November 7th and 14th to get students to talk about ed plans. Transfer event November 3rd from 10-1 in the quad. Reg-fest during the weeks of November 2 and November 16th.
15. CCA – No Report
16. Guided Pathways – Next meeting next week. Discussions about our college’s Pillar 4: Ensure Learning Plan. At the last Consultation Council, the Chancellor led a discussion about Pillar 4 and expressed interest in getting more involved.
17. PC Foundation – Met this morning and discussed the swap meet, fundraisers, finance report related to the stock market.

VII. Adjourn: 9:37 AM

Respectfully Submitted,

Matthew Flummer, Secretary-Treasurer

*\*In consideration of the Brown Act, Items considered to be part of routine procedural business or that incur a unanimous vote have been determined to not require delineation of votes.*