**Porterville College Academic Senate APPROVED**

**Minutes: May 13, 2022**

I. Robert Simpkins called the meeting to order at 8:06AM.

II. Roll Call:

Voting Members: Robert Simpkins, President; Sarah Rector, Vice President; Matthew Flummer, Secretary-Treasurer; Miles Vega, Past President; Rickelle Syrdahl, Bret Davis, Stephanie Cortez, Patty Serrato, Miguel Ruelas, Ben Makino, Lupe Guillen, Elizabeth Buchanan

Non-Voting Members: Dustin Acres, Joel Wiens, Joy Lawrence, Karen Bishop,

Guests: Thad Russell, Ana Ceballos

III. The agenda was approved \*(M-S-P, Patty Serrato, Elizabeth Buchanan).

IV. The minutes were approved as amended \*(M-S-P, Lupe Guillen, Patty Serrato).

V. Discussion/Action Items:

1. New Senate Membership changes – Joy Lawrence is the new CCA representative. Jim Carson will be the CTE representative starting in the Fall. Since Miles Vega is retiring, Robert Simpkins has appointed Joel Wiens to fill the the role of Past President. Ana Ceballos will be replacing Patty as Student Services Representative.
2. Online Teaching Handbook – The Distance Education Committee couldn’t retroactively do strike-outs, but Sarah Phinney highlighted some relevant portions. One question asked in the meeting was why the proctoring section was removed. According to the DE Committee the college might be severing ties with Proctorio. Concern was voiced that we need something to help new teachers and promote academic integrity. Another question was about regular and substantive contact between students and instructors. According to the DE committee, the intent with regard to the two announcements per week was just to have documentation of instructor-student contact to make it less time consuming on the person checking. The Senate will continue discussion about regular and substantive contact next year.
	1. Motion to approve the Online Teaching Handbook \*(M-S-P, Sarah Rector, Elizabeth Buchanan)
3. District EEO Advisory Committee membership resolution – According to Nick Strobel at BC, there is nothing that specifies that the composition of the committee be appointed by the Senate. This is a violation of the rules. We don’t know at this time who is on the committee or how they were appointed.
4. OEI-CVC Exchange Resolution passed by Cerro Coso Academic Senate – The Cerro Coso Senate President stated that this is not a high enough priority at the district level. But it is scheduled to happen anyway. This is a win-win for students and campuses.
	1. Motion to support the resolution \*(M-S-P, Sarah Rector, Lupe Guillen)
5. Accreditation Mid-term Report – this was completed and moved on to the Board of Trustees.
6. Mackenzie Scott Grant – The numbers listed on the document seemed like ballpark figures. We need to wait for more details. It would be helpful to go around campus and see what’s going on in other parts than what individuals are familiar with. We now have this document to take back to divisions for more discussion.
7. Faculty Professional Development Subcommittee Task Force – Robert Simpkins asked for volunteers and he got a few people who said maybe. He needs more help. There was also a proposal for a flexible flex. Dr. Habib is willing to explore this as a pilot program.
8. Faculty building access – The proposal has been shared with Dr. Habib. The Senate are encouraged to take the proposal back to divisions. Dr. Habib will also discuss with the President’s cabinet. Health Careers wants to make their own proposal because they need M&O to let them in to their offices every time.
9. Distinguished Students Award Ceremony – There was an ad in the Porterville Recorder of the names and pictures of the distinguished students. The ceremony went well and the students will be announced at commencement.
10. New Faculty Orientation – Thad Russell and Robert Simpkins have been discussing how to improve the new faculty orientation process.

VI. Reports

1. Senate President – Meeting with Dr. Habib
2. Curriculum – No Report
3. Distance Education - No Report
4. Outcomes - No Report
5. CTE – No Report
6. Fine and Applied Arts – No Report
7. Health Careers - No Report
8. Kinesiology – No Report
9. Language Arts - No Report
10. Mathematics – No Report
11. Natural Sciences - No Report
12. Social Sciences - No Report
13. Student Services – Outcomes Fest with Melissa Long was held and went really well. There have also been a lot of outreach events such as talking to field workers. There was also a Pirate Week at the Adult School.
14. CCA - No Report
15. Guided Pathways – Rebuilding the committee – announcement coming soon
16. PC Foundation – No Report

VII. Adjourn: 9:21

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.*