**Porterville College Academic Senate APPROVED**

**Minutes: May, 7 2020**

I. Miles Vega called the meeting to order at 8:03am.

II. Roll Call:

Voting Members: Miles Vega, President; Jeff Keele, Past President; Robert Simpkins, President Elect; Kathryn Benander, Matthew Flummer, Secretary-Treasurer; Rickelle Syrdahl, Sarah Rector, David Kavern, Patty Serrato, Stephanie Cortez, Lupe Guillen, Elizabeth Buchannan, Miguel Ruelas

Non Voting Members: Joel Wiens, Rebecca Baird

Guests: Ben Makino

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

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

V. Discussion/Action Items:

1. OERI – A work group has been started exploring OER.
   1. There’s some overlap between OER and ZTC, often OER is ZTC but not all OER are ZTC. This would be a good time to develop a Senate subcommittee so that faculty could maintain as much control as possible.
   2. Matt Flummer and Rebecca Baird volunteered to work on this over the summer with Ben Makino to develop language for the senate’s position on this
2. Professional Development – Dr. Habib has taken the lead on this and a decision was made to re-hire Dr. Solano without consulting the senate. This is an example of a pattern of administration making decisions regarding 10+1 issues without the input of the faculty.
   1. Bob Simpkins has drafted a resolution (see document “Senate Resolution on Faculty Professional Development”)
      1. Motion to approve the above resolution - \*(M-S-P, Jeff Keele, Lupe Guillen)
   2. Proposal to put together a task force on professional development for faculty Motion to move forward with the task force – \*(M-S-P, Rickelle Syrdahl, Miguel Ruelas)
3. Commencement and Awards – It will be shown May 14th at 6pm. The decision to go virtual was made last fall.
   1. Some are concerned of a lack of faculty involvement. But there was some though it might not have been communicated effectively.
4. Equivalency Committee – we need to maintain division reps for the committee
5. Program Discontinuance Policy – In the language we don’t include the curriculum committee. We need to add language to send these to curriculum first.
6. Senators/Senate Executive Committee –
   1. Kinesiology is replacing Dave Kavern with Bret Davis
   2. Executive Committee – Sarah Rector has been nominated for VP \*(M-S-P, Robert Simpkins, Jeff Keele)
      1. Matt Flummer will continue as Secretary/Treasurer \*(M-S-P, Miles Vega, Jeff Keele)
7. Report: Social Justice – Poem in your pocket event
8. Report: Guided Pathways – in college council, the new structure for academic and career pathways was passed and will be the new framework moving forward. The hope is to get a small group for a guided pathways academy that will include special comps. The purpose will be to help faculty learn about working within the guided pathway structure. The academy will be in August right before the semester starts.
9. Executive Committee Transition -

VI. Information



VIII. Adjourn: 9:26am

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.*