President’s Report — March 16, 2022

March’s Elections

All sorts of elections happening this month!

Nominations close for Senate Officer, Senator, and faculty College Council area positions on March 22. Nineteen Senator slots!

Ballots for those positions + Constitution are out March 23 to 30. We must have at least 50% of the full-time faculty submit a vote on the Constitution for the ratification decision to even be considered valid. At least two-thirds of those voting then need to approve the amendments for them to be ratified. Please spread the word!

I’m giving flex workshops on the Constitution on Thursday, March 17 at 10 AM (March 17 registration link) and Monday, March 21 at 1 PM (March 21 registration link) over Zoom. See also the Academic Blast email for the links to the workshop registrations.

Nominations for Faculty co-chairs of governance committees close on March 22.

Interviews for Faculty co-chairs by E-board happen week of April 4 and results will be forwarded to the College President who makes final appointment by April 8. There are NINE governance committee co-chairs we’re going to need to step up!

Committee call for college wide standing committees will start on April 18. Only those who fill out the committee request form starting April 18 will be considered, so email or phone submissions will not be valid. Use the form!

ACCJC MidTerm Timeline

Here’s the timeline for our accreditation mid-term report:

March 16: Senate first reading (original E-board meeting on March 9 was canceled)
March 30: Senate second reading
April 20: Senate vote for approval
May: put it in BoardDocs for Board of Trustees review at June+July meetings.

Baccalaureate Program submission timeline

Departments wanting to have a Baccalaureate degree in their area need to have their applications completed by March 30. Applications will go to the VP of Innovation+Development Bill Moseley who will check the application for completeness and then to the April 20 Senate meeting for a first review and the May 4 Senate meeting for a ranking vote of the programs. President Dadabhoy will then make a decision on May 6 of which program to give to the District office team for consideration
of the single KCCD program we can forward to the state for its consideration. Only 15 baccalaureate programs will be approved statewide in the current cycle.

Commencement May 12 — Please Attend!

The Commencement Committee met earlier today (March 16). Commencement is going to in-person (live 3D immersive experience) at Memorial Stadium on Thursday, May 12. It means A LOT to the students to see the faculty there, so please come and celebrate their graduation. We also need volunteers to help out for tasks such as: handing out programs, name reading, checking in students, leading student procession, assisting students find location, helping students line up, providing a friendly smile for our graduates, counting students to rows, guiding students to stage, and any other assigned tasks by leads.