

**Mt. SAC Academic Senate Meeting**  
**Thursday, May 9, 2019**

**In attendance:** Chisa Uyeki, Lina Soto, Serena Ott, Kelly Rivera, Sun Ezzell, Vicki Greco, Scott Guth, Abby Wood, Melinda Bowen, Scot Childress, Hong Guo, Bruce Nixon, Phil Wolf, Tamra Horton, Tania Anders, Dalia Chavez, Tim Engle, Jennifer Hinostroza, Tom Edson, David Mirman, Jenny Leung, Janet Truttmann, Tony Henry, Sohair Zaki, Carol Impara, Naomi Avila, Bernie Somers, Michelle Shear, Jason Kordich, Christopher Hallstead, Hector Sanchez, Rita Van Dyke-Kao, Shari Wasson, Sierra Powell, Isaac Carter, Dianne Rowley, Pauline Swartz, Robert Bowen, Michelle Boyer, Jaime Hooper, Sarah Nichols, Karla Hernandez-Magallon, Luisa Howell

**Absent:** Kristina Allende, Eric Kaljumägi, Joan Sholars, Lisa Amos, Regina Martinez, Donna Necke, Linda Rogus, Fred Kobzoff, Jacob Duarte, Beta Meyer, Eric Bladh, Roger Willis, Julie BrayAli, Joseph Denny, Kate Cannon, Ema Burman, Bill Edwards, Karla Rivas, Briseida Ramirez Catalan, Mike Dowdle, Lance Heard, Robert Augustus, Matthew Burgos

## 1. Opening Items

### A. Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 11:35 am.

Motion to add confirmation of the Senate President to Discussion Items. Moved by M. Bowen. Seconded by L. Howell. Approved unanimously.

Motion to have Action Items acted on prior to Reports. Moved by B. Nixon. Seconded by K. Rivera. Approved unanimously.

### B. Public Comment:

- Shari Wesson announced the 71st Mt SAC Student Art Exhibit open through June 6<sup>th</sup>.
- Mala Arthur Project Manager from the Mountie Maker Space shared with the Senate a handout detailing the impact the Maker Space has had including 1,400+ members and 63 class visits. She explained the current grant funding for the Maker Space ends on May 31<sup>st</sup> and asked for the Senate's support to secure additional funding to remain open for the campus.
- Sohair Zaki shared information about the Big Data Analytics Certificate now being offered <https://www.mtsac.edu/cis/bigdata/>. Mt SAC is the first Community College to offer this certificate.
- Melinda Bowen announced the upcoming Lavender Graduation on May 29<sup>th</sup> at 5pm in Founders Hall.
- Jessica Wu advocated for the Maker Space and explained its importance.
- Michelle Shear announced the upcoming Dance Concert in the Clarke Theater on May 17<sup>th</sup>, May 18<sup>th</sup>, and May 19<sup>th</sup>.
- Russell Savage advocated for the Maker Space and explained how it has been a valuable tool for creative expression.
- Sarah Nichols from the Physics and Engineering Department argued that Senate should be invested in maintaining the Maker Space stating that it was written into

Measure Go and the Master Plan. She hopes to bring forward a resolution at a future Senate meeting for the body to consider.

- Hector Sanchez urged the Senate to oppose the Chancellor's Proposed guidelines to alter EOPS programs.
- Amy Moore, Co-Captain of the Mt SAC Rocket Team, advocated for the Maker Space and explained how it has benefited her as a student at Mt. SAC.

Motion to have Action Items acted on prior to the Consent Agenda. Moved by L Howell. Seconded by T. Edson. Approved unanimously.

#### **4. Action Items**

*(Action items have been reordered to reflect the motion to reorder that occurred at the meeting. Original lettering of items has been maintained for clarity.)*

Move to reorder Action Items to consider them in the following order: C, B, A and D. Moved by K. Rivera. Seconded by S. Ott. Approved unanimously.

#### **C. BSCC Carryover**

Motion to approve. Moved by T. Edson. Seconded by L. Howell. Approved unanimously.

#### **B. EEO Plan**

Motion to approve. Moved by T. Edson. Seconded by V. Greco.

*T. Edson discussed previous iterations of the EEO plan and has concerns about the language in Section D 10. He proposes to the senate that it is the right of the Board of Trustees to affirm or reject a candidate but argues that this should not be states as a matter of the EEO plan. Suggested edit to the language is the following:*

*includes the right to reject all candidates and to order further review—~~or to reopen the position where necessary to achieve the objective of the EEO plan or to ensure equal employment opportunity.~~*

*S. Guth asked if striking that portion of section D 10 would create compliance issue.*

Motion to extend debate by 5 minutes. Moved by K. Rivera. Seconded by S. Ott. Approved Unanimously

*S. Song responded to the question posed by S. Guth and said the proposed revision from T. Edson could be made without a compliance issues.*

Motion to recommend back to CEDC to revise D10 as recommend by T. Edson. Moved by T. Edson. Seconded by S. Ott.

*B Nixon mentioned that the Board of Trustees has the right to reject a candidate for any reason and asked if this suggested change were necessary.*

Call the question to recommend back to CEDC. M. Bowen opposed. L. Soto and B. Nixon abstained. Motion Carries.

Original motion to approve the EEO Plan. B. Nixon abstained. Motion lost.

**A. Role of Administration in Curriculum**

Motion to approve. Moved by B. Nixon. Seconded by L. Howell.

*B. Nixon raised a question on page 2 Item 2 re: the role and responsibilities of administrators and suggested clarification was needed. C. Impara stated that her department likes the document and that they have suggested friendly amendments in order to strengthen faculty purview in curriculum decisions. These suggestions include the following language edits to the page two roles and responsibilities of administrators sections 2, 3, 7, 8, 9, and 10:*

*2. Faculty will consider the recommendations and decided whether or not to make appropriate changes in WebCMS*

*3. Provide input regarding viability of new and existing courses, certificates, and degrees with faculty authors and department.*

*7.. Ensure curriculum review as part of the Planning for Institutional Effectiveness.*

*8. Communicate technical aspects and Title 5 changes when necessary.*

*9. Support the development of new curriculum.*

*10. Support the collaboration of all parties and facilitate ongoing communication to build trust and shared understanding.*

Motion to refer suggested revisions to AMAC. Moved by T. Edson. Seconded by L. Howell

*V. Greco supports clarifying that Faculty have authority on curriculum as Title 5 states. Recommends editing language referring to shared responsibility to be clear that Faculty have primacy on matters of curriculum. She also suggests that there are areas of the guidelines that might be interpreted to empower Administrators over faculty and advocates that the body reject the document. A. Wood states that the points made by V. Greco and C. Impara are well taken but adds that a document like this is needed to protect programs like the paralegal program who must respond to curriculum guidelines from the American Bar Association. T. Edson echoes V. Greco's concerns.*

T. Edson moved to withdraw previous motion to refer suggested revisions to AMAC. L. Howell agreed to the withdrawal of the motion.

Motion to extend debate by three minutes. Moved by T. Edson. Seconded by V. Greco. Approved unanimously.

V. Greco recommends document drafters refer to the curriculum approval process from 'A Resource Guide for Trustees and Administrators' offered by the CCCL [https://www.ccleague.org/sites/default/files/trustees-resources/curriculum\\_approval\\_process\\_publication.pdf](https://www.ccleague.org/sites/default/files/trustees-resources/curriculum_approval_process_publication.pdf). C. Impara asked who created the document and why. C. Uyeki clarified the creation process of the document. C. Impara reiterated that her department was pleased to see the document but asked what would be the most meaningful action for the body to take in order to send a message of faculty primacy over curriculum. C. Uyeki stated that if the document were rejected by the Senate then she could bring the topic to the Executive Board to be considered with further faculty input. T. Edson indicated his preference for a task force. S. Ezzell suggested that the purpose and function statement of the EDC makes it an excellent Senate body to work on the document.

Original motion to approve. Motion lost unanimously.

#### D. Recommendations for SPOT Recertification

Motion to Approve. Moved by B. Nixon. Seconded by L. Howell.

T. Horton stated that the English Department offers sincere thanks to the DLC for their effort creating these recommendations and adds that the department has some suggestions. These suggestions include that all recertification be free, that there be easy to attend on campus courses, and that some of these courses are offered during Fall Flex 2019 and Spring Flex Day 2020. C. Impara clarified that the DLC can't authorize what Mt. SAC will pay for but stated that there will be free options. She suggests that people interested in securing additional funding could apply for POD funds. A. Wood advocating for being able to use an @One class should a faculty member want to pay for it.

Original Motion to approve SPOT Recertification Recommendations. L Howell abstained. Motion Carries.

## 2. Consent Agenda

Motion to approve Consent Agenda by T Edson. Seconded by L. Soto. Approved unanimously.

#### A. Approval of April 25, 2019 Full Senate Minutes Equivalencies

Classics (AHIS), Arabic (WLAN), and Art History (AHIS)

Fall 2019 Basic Skills Appointment: Susan Wright (Noncredit)

Fall 2019 Content Review Appointment: Khoddam Kambiz (MATH)

#### E. Fall 2019 Curriculum & Instruction Appointment: Dana Miho (Noncredit)

#### F. Fall 2019 CTEAC Appointment: L.E. Foisia (Noncredit)

#### G. Fall 2019 Distance Learning Appointment: Stacie Nakamatsu (COUN)

- H. Fall 2019 Ed Design Appointment: Samantha James-Perez (Mental Health Tech), Jared Burton (Library)
- I. Fall 2019 Equivalency Appointment: Dana Miho (Noncredit)
- J. Fall 2019 Facilities Advisory Appointment - Marc Ruh (Kinesiology)
- K. Fall 2019 Informational Technology Appointment - Rich Patterson (CIS), Jahiri Mehta (CIS), Jean Metter (BUS)
- L. Fall 2019 Outcomes Appointment - Parisa Mahjoor (CHEM)
- M. Fall 2019 SPAS Appointment - Bruce Nixon (Mental Health Tech), Donna Necke (Non-Credit)
- N. Completing Fall 2018 Vacated SSSPAC Appointment - David Beydler (MATH), Carly Netkey (ENGL, Noncredit)

### **3. Reports**

- A. President - Report given by C. Uyeki.
- B. Vice President – Oral report given by L. Soto.
- C. Legislative Liaison – Report given by K. Rivera.
- D. CTE Liaison - Report given by C. Impara.
- E. Non-credit Liaison - Report given by D. Chavez.
- F. Faculty Association – Written report submitted.
- G. Associated Students – No report.
- H. Curriculum & Instruction Council – No report.
- I. Student Preparation & Success Council – Verbal report given by L. Soto.
- J. Faculty Professional Development Council – Report given by T. Anders.
- K. Dual Enrollment Liaison Report – Report given by P. Wolf.
- L. Distance Learning Committee Report – No report.

### **5. Discussion Items**

- A. Confirmation of Senate President. Discussion Occurred.

### **6. Closing Items**

- A. Information and Announcements
  - None
- B. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 1:13 pm

*Minutes respectfully submitted by K. Rivera*