Palo Verde College
ACADEMIC SENATE
2012-2013
Biju Raman- President
Brian Thiebaux- Vice President
Peter A. Martinez- Secretary
MINUTES
Tuesday, March 12, 2013

Attendance: Biju Raman, Peter Martinez, Dennese, Edgerton, Derek Copple, Richard Castillo, Solomon Osayande, Karen Redine, TM Brown, Lupita Andrade, June Turner, Robert Robertson, Sarah Frid, Kevin Eoff, Sharron Burgeson, Mike, Rhoades, Carlos Medina, Joseph Boire, David Silva, Greg Snider, Paul Shibalovich, Irma Dagnino, Daniel King, Alejandro Garcia, Mike Gaubeca, Bruce Wallace, Sioux Stoeckle, Willie Smith, Sandra Sher, Brian Thiebaux

I. Call to Order: The President called the meeting to order at 3:01pm

II. Pledge of Allegiance: The President recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Public Comment: None

Motion was made to go on to the next item on the agenda.

First: Solomon Osayande  Second: June Turner

Motion carries unanimously

IV. Approval of minutes: February 12, 2013

First: David Silva  Second: Dennese Edgerton

Approval of Minutes: unanimously

V. Adoption of Agenda for March 12, 2013

A. Motion: Adopt the agenda

B. First: David Silva  Second: Mike Rhoades

Motion to approve: unanimously

Motion to move the President’s Report to the beginning

A. First: David Silva  Second: Kevin Eoff

Motion to approve: unanimously

President's Report:
1. Mini Semester- Starts on Monday, March 18, 2013. There will be a cutoff date of which will be Friday, March 22, 2013 to find out if the class makes. Two extra days will be provided to students after the cutoff date.

2. Reorganization across disciplines will be reviewed, but not until a later date.

First: Robert Robertson  Second: Derek Copple

Motion to approve: 16 Ayes, 0 Nays, 8 Abstention

3. The running of meetings. It is important that we go through first and second readings all in one session opposed to having it done in two sessions. It makes it easier and faster to meeting senate needs.

4. Summer school sessions, electricity will be shut down at 1:55pm beginning June 1, 2013. It will be difficult to have summer school classes in the evenings. Expected saving is $70,000 for the summer. It’s important to keep this mind.

5. Senate is looking at the process for hiring faculty. Currently there are five full time faculty positions open on the college website. The Senate President wants to bring this matter to the senate body as an item for discussion. There are two parts for a RESOLUTION that will be introduced shortly. So, there is a need for support by the senate body to adopt these line items:
A. For new faculty hiring, we want to describe the “process” and,
B. What is the “process” for back-filling.

Administration has identified $250,000 of ongoing funds. To keep up with the 50% law, the senate has been charged with identifying with hiring three new faculty positions. In order to keep up with compliance laws, the entire process will require initiating this process through a set of steps. The senate has the charge of making the recommendation to get the process going. Upon that recommendation, it will be presented to administration and at a later time to the board of trustees.

6. Special Congratulations to Karen Redine for a great job she is doing and being part of this institution.

Old Business:
A request was made to adopt 2nd senate meeting item Resolution 2013-01. In addition, the motion included striking out the last three paragraphs of the resolution.

First: Richard Castillo Second: David Silva
Motion to approve: unanimously

We have two scenarios being introduced for adopting a resolution:
A. For new faculty hiring, we want to describe the “process” and,
B. What is the “process” for back-filling.

Motion to accept the 2nd reading (as proposed as above) in the way it is presented along with striking out the last three paragraphs, as discussed.

First: Richard Castillo Second: Sioux Stoeckle
Motion to approve: unanimously

A request was made to adopt 2nd senate meeting item Resolution on changing “Registration Dates & deadlines.” The idea is to shorten the registration period.

First: Richard Castillo Second: Dennese, Edgerton
Discussion/Ammendments: SB 1456 counseling services expectations has increased of which will create difficulties to meet the demands. This issue should be considered before a resolution is decided. The idea also was contemplated on starting registration earlier. In the fall semesters, we cannot close the doors the last two weeks of the holiday. All registration should be stopped on the second week. Deadline to withdraw from a course should be moved up to the 12th week.

The only motion made is to have the last day to register on a “Thursday” opposed to a Friday. This would also move the registration to the second week of the semester.

First: David Silva Second: Hortensia Rivera
Discussion/Ammendments: None
Motion to approve: 27 Ayes, 1 Nays, 08 Abstention

Move to consent: 2nd reading.
First: Dennese, Edgerton Second: Sioux Stoeckle
Motion to approve: unanimously

There is a second reading of the senate Resolution 2013-03, a recommendation to offer technical support to faculty. A motion was made to have a 2nd reading.

First: Sioux Stoeckle Second: Paul Shibalovich
Discussion/Ammendments: An upgrade was made on the “Bridge” and little information was provided on these changes. Any changes to the (software) should be done at the beginning of term.

Motion to approve as amended: First: Paul Shibalovich Second: Dennese, Edgerton
Motion to approve as amended: unanimously
Motion to move this recommendation “Resolution 2013-03” to the next meeting
First: Dennese, Edgerton Second: Solomon Osayande
Motion to approve: unanimously

Reports:
BSI Committee: A scheduled date and matters to basic skills are still being reviewed.

Curriculum Committee: A meeting would be held Thursday, March 14, 2013. Please submit any new course outlines promptly.

Equivalency Committee: A discussion on completing an application process is being re-developed at the moment. Next meeting is April 11, 2013.

SB 1440 Committee: Course description (CID) reminders were asked to remember them, they are needed when completing the forms.

Scholarship Committee: Scholarship applications are on the web, please remind students.

SLO Committee: Meeting was held on Tuesday, March 12, 2013.

Enrollment Management Committee: Hortensia will be chairing to represent the senate.

Articulation Committee: David Silva, appreciated BSI for buying the new testing materials.

Program Review Committee: A meeting is now scheduled once a week. A new template is now developed. The group is now working on two year reports.

Staff Development Committee: Effort is made to support a faculty member on obtaining a Master’s degree.

Title III Committee: The position is open Vicki Attaway will be in the position for a short period of time.

Open Forum
GES 115 making this class a mandatory requirement for incoming or returning students/freshmen. This could be incorporated with SB 1440.

A recommendation was made to award the “honorary degree of Criminal Justice” to Amy Pratt due to her recent passing. A motion was made by acclamation

Motion to approve: unanimously
The Senate President will notify Vice President and Superintendent President to consider this request, as requested by the senate body.

Announcements:
A request to make Lorenzo Lujano permanent in his position, along the same line, the same thing must be done in the position for Needles center.

Motion to Adjourn
4: 10pm