Los Medanos CollegeAcademic SenateDraft Minutes 5-15-2006Room 213 3-5 p.m.Present:Alex Sample, Laura Bernell, Mark Lewis, Brad Nash, Barbara Austin, Cindy McGrath, MichaelNorris, Scott Cabral, Andy Ochoa, Estelle Davi, Phil Gottlieb, Ginny Buttermore, Erich Holtmann

#### **II. Public Comment**

None.

### **III. Senate Announcements**

- A. Ginny Buttermore will attend the Faculty Institute given by the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges in June.
- B. Reports: No report from Curriculum Committee, SGC, Tag, Student Services, Distance Ed, and Planning Committee.
- C. Consultation with Chancellor: Budget policy is still in the works.

## IV. Minutes Approved

Minutes Approved. 11-0-0.

# V. Agenda Approved

Agenda Approved. 11-0-0.

# VI. Agenda Items

- A. HSI. The HSI Grant is a five year position grant. The goal is to move towards institutionalization of grant. Interviews for ESL instructor/coordinator and ESL counselor upcoming. Hopefully both positions will begin hourly in summer 2006. A steering committee is currently forming to ensure activities encompass LMC goals. Austin, Baskin, Bolds, Caldwell, Jones are interested in participating. Appointments will be needed in fall.
- B. Approval of one new at-large Curriculum Committee representative for Brentwood Division. Concerns about eligibility of Brentwood Division faculty for other positions within departments and campus committees. Spirited discussion of Curriculum Committee representation and possible reorganization. At the last meeting of the semester, a structural change to Curriculum Committee could not be given the time and attention needed. The suggestion that disciplinary expertise as the basis for Curriculum Committee representation. Concerns about possible course conflicts. Management has been clear that there will be no parallel courses. Suggestion made to review new configuration in one year. Motion passed: 7 (Norris, Ochoa, McGrath, Davi, Sample, Lewis, Gottlieb)-3 (Austin, Nash, Cabral) -2 (Bernell, Buttermore).
- C. Motion to approve courses in Brentwood to follow course outlines with minimal paperwork. Motion withdrawn, revised, and withdrawn due to clarification.
- D. Instructional Program Review and Planning. Program Review forms have been revised. Concerns about document length. (The previous form had 36 parts, the new has 33 plus management questions approximately same length). New program review document has unit planning and program review integrated and is more pertinent for departments. The new forms will be appendices to the LMC master plan and SGC will review. Approved 12-0-0.
- E. Mission Statement for Curriculum Committee. Mission Statement reviewed at a previous Senate meeting. Mission Statement approved 12-0-0.
- F. Process Technology Program. LMC was requested by Dow Chemical to start a program in process technology. Dow and other factories have a lot of employees who are moving on and they are struggling to find a workforce in this area to fill positions. Workers are currently imported from other areas of the country. Many of these workers new to Northern California are shocked by high cost of living and leave the area. The process technology program will prepare students to work in industries such as: chemical, refining, oil and gas exploration and production. The process technology program was developed at LMC and classes are set to begin January 2007. Curriculum Committee has already approved courses. Process Technology program approved 11-0-0.

- G. Motion to pay \$3925 for this year for consultants for course outlines and slos. This proposal was approved through the FPM. If the Senate pays for the consultants for faculty, then additional FPM money would be available to fund other campus projects. Approved 9-2 (Sample, Lewis) 0.
- H. Motion to amend Senate Constitution to add Brentwood At Large Representative for Academic Senate. A Convocation of the whole is required to make the motion official in the fall.

#### VII. Possible agenda items for August 2006

Senate Budget

Meeting adjourned at 4:58 pm