LOS MEDANOS COLLEGE

Academic Senate Agenda – Minutes FA26 – 10/12/26

Present: Adrianna Simone, Cameron Bluford, Estelle Davi, Jennifer Finnigan, Nick Gale, Dennis Gravert, Eva Padilla, Nick Nabas, Randi Osburn, Lenea Pollett, Kira Roytburg, Julie Von Bergen, Russell Weber, Maryann Hicks, Melissa Wheeler, and Abbey Duldulao

Absent: Morgan Lynn, Haydee Lindgren, and Yollotl Lopez

Guests: Pamela Ralston, Carlos Montoya, Mandy Liang, Ryan Pedersen, Rachel Anicetti, Nicole Acosta, Emerald Templeton, Matt Escajeda, Christina Goff, Irene Sukhu, Grace Villegas, Erlinda Jones, Mindy Capes, Eric Sanchez, Jordan Clark, and LMC Experience.

1. Welcome and Introductions: (3:02 p.m.)

a) Public Comments:
- Happy Birthday to one of our Senators, Randi Osburn, ECE.

b) Approval of teleconference for Randi Osburn – Approved (M/S: R. Weber/M. Wheeler) Unanimous
Approval of 10/12/26 agenda w/ changes – Approved (M/S: J. Von Bergen/R. Weber) Unanimous
- Consent Calendar – additions for Interim Dean Counseling
- Consent Calendar – add Melissa Pon for Paper screening
- Consent Calendar – add Rudolph Rose for Interview committee
- Consent Calendar – add Michelle Mack for Interview committee

Consent Calendar was pulled from the agenda for special paper ballot for various positions.
Approval on Consent for paper ballot, Approved (M/S: E. Padilla/T. Jackson) Unanimous

c) No minutes.

2. Reports: Information

a) ASC President's Announcement:
- Best Practices: 10+1, #7 "Faculty roles and involvement in accreditation processes, including self-study and annual reports. Shared the Tri-Chair model with 1) Academic Senate President, 2) Classified Senate President, and 3) Senior Dean of Planning, bringing accreditation work to all Senates (Faculty, Classified, Students) and coming back here today for the Third Reading.
- CI 4016, Credit for Prior Learning: was approved at DGC with edits shared here, online and packets.
- Chancellor Hiring Committee is forming with A. Simone to represent FSCC and LMC, Von Freitag for DVC, and Randy Hartwood for CCC.
- Area B Meeting: Reviewed resolutions, more online than in-person, will share more during #6C.
- ASCCC Fall Plenary: on Thu, Nov 5-7, North Grand Bay Hotel San Francisco in Redwood City. Resolutions reviewed, more to come. A. Simone for LMC vote and M. Lynn for the district vote.
- Committee Open Seats: Faculty open seats shared, Planning, IDEA, and EEO were highlighted.

Special Item:

English and Math Guided Self-Placement – Mandy Liang, Associate Vice Chancellor, Educational Services

- English and Math Guided Self-Placement was approved a year ago, for implementation this year. An updated timeline and original plan have been updated to a new admissions application called CCC Start. 4CD is scheduled to work on transitioning during Spring 2027; postponing implementation of pooling high school transcripts data until Spring 2028. Still moving forward to allow students to register for equivalent courses with English and math placement as prerequisites. Students need to register for equivalent math courses approved by the college; they will not need to do separate placement process at each college effective Spring 2027.
- No changes to ESL placement; the changes will only apply to English and math placement process.
- J. Von Bergen said some math faculty supports updated timeline.

b) College Administration: Accreditation, R. Pedersen (ISER Report)
ISER Report – During Second/Third Read of this agenda.

c) Committee Report Outs:
Standing Committees:
SGC – Shared the process of quad-chair model and co-chair facilitator.
Curriculum Committee – Task team between Senate and Curriculum are moving forward to convene the labor around the work group.

3. Consent:

Consent Calendar item pulled from agenda moved to paper ballot for hiring committees.
Motion to approve Consent Calendar, Approved (M/S: N. Gale/L. Pollett) Unanimous

a) Career Technical Education Dean Paper Screening – Randi Osburn, ECE
b) Career Technical Education Dean Hiring Committee – Erlinda Jones, ECE
c) Compliance & Center Operations, Brentwood – Paper Screening – Nico Peck, English
d) Compliance & Center Operations, Brentwood – Hiring Committee - Star Louis Steers, Journalism

Paper Ballots Results (Bolded most votes)
Interim Dean Counseling Paper Screening – Melissa Pon, Counseling
Interim Dean Counseling Hiring Committee – Alex Stering, English
Interim Dean Counseling Hiring Committee – Rudolph Rose, Counseling
Interim Dean Counseling Hiring Committee – Michelle Mack, Counseling
Academic Student Services Mgr. Paper Screening – Cameron Bluford, Librarian
Academic Student Services Mgr. Paper Screening – Jill Noel, English
Academic Student Services Mgr. Hiring Committee – Kimberly Wentworth, Librarian
Academic Student Services Mgr. Hiring Committee – Max Trujillo, Ethnic Studies

4. Second/Third Reading:

a) Equivalency Workgroup Proposal Draft 3: This group will not be subject to Brown Act Rule.
- This workgroup is to convene when a department needs help to have an equivalency look at.
- The workgroup to try out for a year and report back after one year with specificity:
  i What are some of the advantages and disadvantages of having a workgroup?
  ii How many people/department utilized the equivalency workgroup?
  iii Evaluation of this group needs to be structured feedback.

- It was suggested to add, under Pilot, part of the timeline process gathering feedback from Department members who have participated to report to Academic Senate after a year.
- To pilot FSCC approved form.
  To require additional signatures for one year tryout. Signatures can be department chairs.
- **Motion to approve the Equivalency Workgroup with amended changes.**
  - Approved (M/S: J. Von Bergen/E. Davi) Unanimous
- **Motion to approve to utilize FSCC approved form w/ more signatures for 1 year trial.**
  - Motion failed. LMC stands by its edited form.

b) **Motion to approve Institutional Self-Evaluation Report (ISER) – R. Pedersen**
   - **Approved (M/S: R. Weber/K. Roytburg) Unanimous**
   - R. Pedersen expressed gratitude to Senate for agenda times for ISER this past year.
   - Elizabeth Esparza will sign the ISER as LMC Classified President. A big thank you to Irene Sukhu as well as former Classified Senate President and a special thanks to Beth Ann Stone and Renee Skrypnyk.
   - R. Pedersen shared recent edits and explained content didn't change. It was only for the style, the voice, the flow, for grammar, for readable purposes. Pedersen shared the Summary of Changes with Senate and that it was approved at LMCAS and Classified.
   - R. Pedersen and team will be presenting ISER at College Assembly two weeks from now and Governing Board will have its 1st reading in November and 2nd reading in December.

c) **Motion to approve Budget Development Fiscal Management as a group.**
   - **(M/S: J. Von Bergen/R. Weber) – Motion rescinded.**
   - BP 5033, student outcome refers to student success components of SCFF model. Additional language will be added for clarity and word enrollment for STEF.
   - A. Simone said no rush needed, last week was first reading at District and hope to receive an updated version of all by ASC's October 26th meeting.
   - To 3rd Reading on Oct 26th meeting. A. Simone will obtain updated documents.

5. First Reading: None

6. Discussions: I, D
   a) <u>Budget and Funding Sources for LMC Positions</u>: C. Montoya & A. Simone
      - A. Simone shared information on positions utilizing general funds, unrestricted funds, and restricted categorical funds; SEAP funds and historical reporting structures.
      - A. Simone thanked P. Ralston, J. Adams and all LMC VPs for producing this report.
      - A. Simone shared math department's requests; 1) to put the pause on hiring, specifically the Academic Student Services manager position to reevaluate the position and funding and 2) transparency on the use of SEAP funds and realignment on how process works.
      - It was suggested to pull all information together and to come up with closure.
      - A. Simone requested P. Ralston, A. Smith, and R. Armendariz to come to Senate during one of November meetings and asked all to bring information to their areas for feedback.

6. Discussions: I, D

b) FSCC & CSCC Resolution Honoring Chancellor Mojdeh Mehdizadeh's Service:

- A combined resolution from FSCC and Classified Senate. District body is also working on a joint resolution and opening space for Senates to share information for resolution honoring our Chancellor for her service at the district. The resolution will be from FSCC.
- It was asked if the Senate can email comments and sentiments to A. Simone,
- It was shared how important the district was to Chancellor Mojdeh, how she started as 4CD student and how committed she is o the students. Her trajectory in our district and if you've been lucky enough to hear some of her stories about her role from a student, and the love she holds for our district.

c) Area B Meeting – Resolutions:

- From Area B meeting, resolutions were discussed to bring forth to ASCCC Fall Plenary:
- Math resolutions for revisiting the math placement defaults from the state on an annual basis including faculty input.
- Asking IAS, Intersegmental Academic Senate Group between UC, CSU, and CCC, for specific guidelines and definition about what it means to be prepared. We were supportive of asking and if the resolution passes, it's helpful to have it documented that community colleges ask for that to be defined.
- Another was gathering data on local academic Senate leadership, reassigned time, compensation structure, and governance responsibilities and was highly supported.
- A. Simone touched based on several other resolutions; artificial intelligence literacy in CCC, Title V changes regarding AI, local degrees, and more will bring forth for Oct 26th.

d) GE Assessment Updates:

- M. Escajeda, GE Co-Chair shared assessment of local GE program; assessing GE student learning outcomes, gathering all data from all GE courses for assessments.
- Escajeda requested everyone to submit data from courses already assessed within the last 4 years, from Summer 2022 to Summer 2026.
- GE committee made a Microsoft form to be used and was sent to all department chairs. The form is straightforward and created a video on how to fill out the form. GE committee is also available for anyone who needs help. This is only for the local GE courses.
- The goal is to have at least one assessment per category, per course. Ask your department chair for the video and the form.
- The deadline is at the end of this semester; once we have your data, we're going to start drafting a report that can be utilized when accreditation team is visiting.

7. Upcoming Items: Listed on the agenda for information only.

8. Adjournment: 5:01pm