

VVC Faculty Senate Meeting
APPROVED MINUTES
 Thursday, October 2, 2008
 Administration Building Room 8, 3:30 p.m.

Area		Area Representative		At-Large Area Representative	Members / Guests
1		Contreras, Fernando		Allan, Peter	Butros, Michael
1	X	McCracken, Mike	X	Huiner, Leslie	Golder, Patty
2	X	Burg, Ed			Golliher, Carol
2		Hollomon, Dave		Executive Officers	Inagi, Yoko
3	X	Davis, Tracy	X	Blanchard, D., President	Johns, Meredith
3		Heaberlin, Ed		Harvey, L., Vice-President	Jones, Scott
3	X	Malone, Patrick	X	Huiner, L., Sec./Treasurer	Mayer, Peggy
4	X	Cerreto, Richard (Proxy M. Butros)	X	Menser, G., Past-President	Rubayi, Khalid
4		Harvey, Lisa			Skuster, Marc
5		Truelove, Terry		Part-time Faculty Rep.	
6	X	Basha, Claudia		Akers, Glenn	
6	X	Ruiz, Maria	X	Elsmore, Cheryl	
6	X	Smith, Mike			
7		Slade, Neville			
7	X	Visser, Mike			

Additions and Revisions to the Agenda

Called to order 3:30 p.m. Change to agenda: Action item “1.2 Suspension of Bylaws” moved to President’s Reports item “2.6 Suspension of Bylaws.”

1. Action Items

- 1.1 Approval of September 4, 2008 minutes – Y, with corrections (Golliher/Butros)
- 1.2 Suspension of Bylaws – moved to President’s Report item 2.6
- 1.3 Matriculation Plan – 1st reading – Y (Basha/McCracken)
- 1.4 Student Equity Plan – 1st reading – Y Approved as corrected: note, no faculty on committee; add Golder, McCracken and any other faculty who contributed to the committee membership page. (Burg/McCracken)
- 1.5 Student Services-Categorical Programs Self-Study – 1st reading – N Missing attachments listed on p.35, send suggested changes to Blanchard, bring to Nov. mtg for 2nd reading (Huiner/Malone)
- 1.6 Grade Appeal Form – 2nd reading with corrections – Y, 1 opposed (Butros/McCracken)

2. President’s Report and Announcements-

- 2.1 Student Learning Assessment Committee - Handout on duties of SLAC, note to give assessment data to committee. Suggested changes to wording.
- 2.2 Basic Skills Ad-hoc Committee – Established with chair Golliher, members Elsmore, Golder, P. Mayer and Malone
- 2.3 Dues – Proposal \$5/mo (10 mos./year) for FT faculty; ask PT reps. for input on amount. Dues to be allocated toward scholarships, memorials, workshops, etc. Discussion opposing dues. Executive team to survey other colleges regarding dues, amount, allocations, etc.
- 2.4 Senate – Title V handout describes roles and purview of Academic Senate.
- 2.5 Change next meeting date to Thursday, November 13, 2008.
- 2.6 Suspension of Bylaws – Misunderstanding about process, executive team does not want to suspend bylaws or constitution, but rather need to consider potentially adding new language

regarding current vacant treasurer position. Issue is that no treasurer was nominated or elected, so duties fall to President per current VVC Faculty Senate Bylaws and Constitution. We need to investigate adding new language to address this situation when no one runs for office. Executive team will bring proposal for new potential language back to Senate.

3. Executive Officer's Reports

- 3.1 Past President, Gary Menser – No report
- 3.2 Vice President, Lisa Harvey – No report
- 3.3 Secretary / Treasurer, Leslie Huiner – Collected \$139 for refreshments
- 3.4 Part-time Representative Report -- No report

4. Committee Reports or Special Reports

- 4.1 Senate Budget Committee – Peter Allan
No report
- 4.2 Foundation Report – Peter Allan
No report
- 4.3 Curriculum Committee—Richard Cerreto
Butros reported shorter meeting time for committee approvals using Curricunet, though more time spent by committee members reviewing course outlines. Blanchard reported Title 5 requires methods of evaluation, but committee integrated this with methods of assessment in new Curricunet course outlines, it needs to be separated out in Curricunet.
- 4.4 Student Learning Assessment Committee—Marc Skuster
Next mtg. 10/10/08 at 9:30am in TLC, still need committed new members who come prepared to do some work, faculty may not be aware of the committee charge. Will be meeting monthly, current membership is Harvey, Gibbs and Skuster.
- 4.5 Program Review—Khalid Rubayi
Chair requested list of committee members.
- 4.6 Equivalency—Debby Blanchard
Equivalency currently requires 15-years of full-time verifiable work experience, which may be extensive for disciplines which do not require master's degree; discussion to potentially propose 10-years experience for those disciplines that do not require master's degree, and 15-years for those disciplines that require master's degree. Jones notes some disciplines are state regulated. Committee may propose a change, asking for input.
- 4.7 College Council/Synergy—Dave Hollomon
No synergy report. Re: College Council, Blanchard discussed minutes from past meetings, including: new building at 7th & A streets for ESL, parenting, etc. classes, which has no evening or night classes; "Spice of Life" in Victorville this weekend; revised grade appeal form and district vehicle use polices were passed through Council.
- 4.8 Honors—Tim Adell
No report
- 4.9 Graduation Requirements—Pam James
No report
- 4.10 Online Program—Glenn Akers
No report
- 4.11 Study Abroad Committee – Tracy Davis
Per discussion with Dean Dr. Lori Kildal, there is a new college-wide International Studies Committee chaired by Dino Bozonelos, established 18-months ago; VVC is no longer a member of the community college "Study Abroad" consortium in which we formerly held membership. Focus of new committee is on bringing foreign students here.

Davis suggested a meeting between committee chair, Senate executive board and administration as there seems to be confusion of college wide versus senate committee.

5. Senate Representative Reports

Area 3 -- Davis noted that Senate 9/4/08 minutes referred to technology committee blocking web site "MySpace.com" from on-campus network; VVC's student newspaper "RamPage" is published on "MySpace" but students must go off-campus to access their student newspaper.

Area 6 -- Basha announced "Bus Stop" directed by Ed Heaberlin in new black box theatre this weekend.

6. Adjournment 5:08pm