

ALLAN HANCOCK COLLEGE

Academic Senate Meeting

Minutes for Tuesday, September 10, 2024

4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Room F-225 (Fine Arts Building)

Senator's Remote Participation Link *** [See bottom of the agenda for details.]

AS Executive Committee:

President: Alberto Restrepo (AR)

Vice-President: Fred Patrick (FP)

Secretary: Nancy Jo Ward (NJW)

Member-at-Large: Thesa Roepke (TR)

Member-at-Large: Ana Gomez de Torres (AGT)

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: C. Carroll, R. Chaudhari, D. DeGroot, A. Fox, Y. Frazier, A. Gomez de Torres, S. Gottlieb, M. Guido Brunet, M. Hammill, C. Hite, M. Hull, A. Kopcrak, S. Kopecky, M. Landeros, L. Manalo, G. Marquez, A. McMeeking, M. Nishimori, F. Patrick, C. Perales, C. Provencio, T. Roepke, M. Segura, C. Sprecher, K. Villa, N. Ward, L. West

Student Rep: A. Ruiz, O. Shrecengost

Guests: R. Curry, A. Paniagua, J. Schroeder, M. Greeley, L. Beccera, J. Raybould-Rodgers, A. Gisclon,

1. **Call to Order. [2] (AR)**

2. **Rollcall. 26**

3. **Public Comments. [3-minute limit per individual]**

L. Becerra Valencia, co-chair of the DEIA Committee announced an opportunity for faculty to submit proposals for running a workshop at the DEIA Summit to be held on the 7th of February, 2025. Look for the forthcoming email. Funding is available for faculty who want to attend. Becerra Valencia will attend and report back to the committee. Meetings are every 4th Friday from 10:30 am to noon

A. Kopcrak recommended that faculty support input and clarity to improve student and faculty experience on the new Class Search portal.

N. Ward announced the 2024-2025 Faculty Innovation Fund applications and instructions are posted. All faculty and administrators were emailed a link to the documents. The deadline for applications is October 15th, 2024.

4. **Approval of Minutes from 4/23/2024. * [5] (NJW)**

Motion for Approval: L. Manalo / A. Fox

Discussion:

Yes: 24- C. Carroll, R. Chaudhari, D. DeGroot, A. Fox, Y. Frazier, A. Gomez de Torres, M. Guido Brunet, C. Hite, M. Hull, A. Kopcrak, S. Kopecky, M. Landeros, L. Manalo, G. Marquez, A. McMeeking, M. Nishimori, F. Patrick, C. Perales, C. Provencio, T. Roepke, M. Segura, C. Sprecher, N. Ward, L. West

Abstain: 3 - S. Gottlieb, M. Hammill, K. Villa

No: 0

5. **President's Remarks. [5] (AR)**

Public Comments typically do not have a question-and-answer process. If you need to, ask ASE to add you to the agenda.

Faculty are needed in leadership roles as members of councils & committees – there are about 150 positions on councils and committees for faculty to be involved, but typically only 60-70 of our faculty are

filling those positions. Please consider getting involved, as part of your 2hrs of service as specified in the faculty contract.

PRESENTATION

6. Shared Governance at Allan Hancock College and the California Community College System. [60] (Senate Exec)

It is customary at the first meeting of the academic year to review Shared Governance and Academic Senate's purview over the "10+1" areas at the first meeting of the semester. The information in this presentation comes from ASCCC, Plenary, Ed Code, Title 5, and historical knowledge. The presentation explains processes and pathways to decision-making at Hancock College. Faculty play a crucial role in shared governance within California Community Colleges. According to state law and regulations, faculty have the right to participate effectively in district and college governance, with the academic senate given primary responsibility for making recommendations in areas of curriculum and academic standards.

California Education Code requires community college governing boards to consult collegially with academic senates on academic and professional matters. This involvement is intended to increase faculty responsibility in duties related to their professional roles and ensure their input in the 10+1 areas of policy-making and institutional decision-making processes.

Hancock's Council & Committees Pathways to Decisions (CCPD) was developed to support and protect a collaborative approach to decision-making between different constituencies – administration, faculty, staff, and students. While shared governance does not necessarily imply total agreement or override the ultimate decision-making authority of local governing boards, it does ensure that faculty opinions are given reasonable consideration in matters affecting the college's mission and operations. This system recognizes the valuable insights and experience faculty can contribute to creating sound, well-informed decisions for the institution.

Please see the PowerPoint presentation on the Senate SharePoint.

CONSENT

None

ACTION ITEMS

None

INFORMATION (FOR FUTURE ACTION/APPROVAL)

None

REPORTS AND DISCUSSIONS (NON-ACTION ITEMS)

7. Introduction of New Senators. [10] (ASE/All)

M. Hammill – Public Safety, S. Kopecky – English Department, Kirk Villa - Counseling, J. Solorio English Department, A. McMeeking – Fine Arts Department, S. Gottlieb, - Life & Physical Sciences

8. Introduction of New Faculty. [10] (ASE/All)

A. Gisclon - Dental Assisting, N. Grijalva – Auto Body, G. Byard – 3D Art & Ceramics, H. Ramos Martinez – Machining & Manufacturing, R. Schroeter – Biology, T. Doyle – Biology, T. Esquivel – CNA, S. Newton – EMT/Paramedic

9. Councils and Committees Representation. [5] (ASE)

Senators are directed to look for an email with this list coming from F. Patrick.

10. Topics for this Academic Year. [5] (ASE)

- Review and recommendations to Article 17 Faculty Evaluations in the contract. We are looking to improve the process. This includes reviewing the guidance from the Chancellor's office to include a

perspective of Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Antiracism, improving language around Academic Freedom, and making the evaluation process more meaningful to provide an opportunity for input that promotes growth

- Program Vitality AP – current moratorium until AP is revised
- Continued process on DE improvement and robust Peer Review Process
- Including language in AP about Interim Administrative Hiring policy
- Common Course Numbering

11. Future Agenda Items and Department Suggestions.

12. Adjourn.

Next Academic Senate Meeting: September 24, 2023. Agenda Items due by September 17, 2023 @ noon.

* Documents available on Senate SharePoint.

** Documents available in previous Senate meeting's SharePoint folder.

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