

Academic Senate Agenda

Date: Friday August 28, 2015 Time/Location: 1-3 PM / Room 113

Senate Roles and Responsibilities (The 10+1)

- **1.** Curriculum, including establishing prerequisites and placing courses within disciplines.
- 2. Degree and certificate requirements
- **3.** Grading policies
- 4. Educational program development
- **5.** Standards or policies regarding student preparation and success
- **6.** District and college governance structures, as related to faculty roles
- **7.** Faculty roles and involvement in accreditation processes, including self-study and annual reports
- **8.** Policies for faculty professional development activities
- 9. Processes for program review
- **10.** Processes for institutional planning and budget development
- **11.** Other academic and professional matters as mutually agreed upon between the governing board and the academic senate

<u>Senators:</u> Matt Clark (President), Donna McGill-Cameron (CTE), Donna Bahneman (Adjunct), Vacant (Math & Science), Kevin Ferns (Secretary, FaLaHum), Greg Gassman (Social Science), Pam Geer (Adjunct At-large), Christopher Howerton (At-large), Jose Vallejo (Student Services)

Item	Description-Type	Lead	Background and Objective		
ı	Approval of Agenda -Action		Approve agenda of 8/28/15.		
II	Public Comment		Guests are welcome to comment on any item on the agenda or not on the agenda. For items on the agenda, they may comment now or during the discussion of that item.		
	Discussion				
III	Approval of Minutes-Action		Review and approve the minutes of 5/21/15 & 8/21/15.		
	Discussion/Decision:				
IV	President's Report - Information/Discussion	Clark			
	Discussion/Decision:				
V	Committee Appointments - Action	Senate	Objective: Appoint faculty members to committees.		
	Discussion/Decision:				
VI	Senate/Committee Reports - Information	Senate			
	Discussion/Decision:				
VII	Review of Senate Purpose – Information/Discussion	Senate	Background: The WCC Academic Senate shall annually review its purpose statement. Objective: Review and consider updating the purpose statement as needed.		
	Discussion/Decision:		•		
VIII	Senate Goals – Information/Discussion	Senate	Background: At the May 21, 2015 retreat, the senate drafted goals for 2015-2016. The list needs to be reviewed, adopted and presented to the YCCD Board of Trustees. Objective: A review and possible modification of the senate goals prior to adoption at the next senate meeting.		
	Discussion/Decision:				

ıx	Committee Structure – Information/Discussion	Senate	Background: In a number of venues, including the senate, it has been opined that WCC's committee structure is too bulky. Objective: Begin discussions which may lead to some streamlining of WCC committees. This work will parallel work of College Council.			
	Discussion/Decision:					
x	Clear Lake Faculty	Clark,	Background: Tentatively, Clear Lake Center will become part			
	Representation on WCC	Howerton	of WCC in Spring 2016. In anticipation of that transition, by			
	Governance Committees –	, Lyons	the end of Fall Semester 2015 there should be decisions			
	Discussion		made about how and where the faculty from CLC will be			
			included in WCC's current committee structure.			
			Objective : Grant the executive team the authority to			
	D: /D ::		represent the senate during Summer 2015.			
	Discussion/Decision:					
	Senate Evaluation –	Clark	Background: As part of CQI, the senate should annually			
	Information/Discussion		assess its work and identify areas of improvement and			
ΧI			strategies for improvement.			
	D: /D ::		Objective: Discuss tool for assessing last year's senate work.			
	Discussion/Decision:					
	Elections Update –	Ferns	Background : Two senators resigned including the VP.			
XII	Information/Discussion		Objective : Receive an update on the elections for the vacant			
	D: ' /D ::		seats and discuss the VP position.			
	Discussion/Decision:	Cl. I				
	Library Advisory Purpose	Clark	Background: LAC has suggested some modifications to its			
XIII	Statement –		purpose statement.			
	Information/Discussion/Action		Objective: Consider adoption of the new purpose statement.			
	Discussion/Decision:	T				
	Future Agenda Items-		Division Chairs, College Catalog, SSS Priorities, Ed Master			
XIV	Discussion		Plan, CCOF, LGBTQ Safe Zones, ADA in the Classroom			
	Discussion/Decision:					

	Senate Goals, 2014-2015 (14 goals)						
#	Goal	Who	Status				
1	Curriculum: Create catalog/class schedule subcommittee (via curriculum and scheduling committees), increase faculty awareness, establish program development structure and incorporate with EMP, and create a DE handbook.	McGill, Howerton					
2	Communication: Advocate for increase in effective communication tools and access.	Howerton, Ferns	Continuing				
3	Grading Policies: Review, update, and distribute Faculty Handbook.	Clark	TBD				
4	Academic Standards: Initiate campus-wide discussion to promote rigor in coursework, DE, and collegiality among faculty, classified staff, administration, and students.	Clark, Bahneman, McGill-Cameron	TBD				
5	Student Success: Identify and address barriers to student success (counseling availability, course offerings).	Latimer, Clark, Bahneman	Student Equity Plan for 2013-14 has been completed and will help drive the work				
6	Faculty Development: Find more opportunities/activities focused on student success.	Chetra, McGill- Cameron	In progress				
7	Improve faculty evaluation process.	Clark, Howerton	In progress				
8	Work to create comprehensive process for Colusa County Outreach Facility (CCOF).	Clark, Chetra, Geer	Early in process				
9	Revise Senate Constitution and Bylaws.	Clark, McGill, Gassman, Ferns	In progress				
10	Professional standards research	Clark	TBD				
11	Sustainability and grant funding	Clark, McGill- Cameron	TBD				
12	Clearlake College transition	Clark, Howerton	In progress				
13	Update the Student Code of Conduct	Bahneman	TBD				
14	Accreditation	Clark, Howerton	Response to Recommendations is nearly complete; work to begin on Midterm Report				