

Academic Senate Agenda

Date: Friday September 11, 2015

Time/Location: 1-3 PM / Room 113

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

<u>Senators:</u> Matt Clark (President), Donna McGill-Cameron (CTE), Donna Bahneman (Adjunct), Jaya Shah (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		
I	Approval of Agenda -Action		Approve agenda of 9/11/15.		
п	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		-		
ш	Approval of Minutes-ActionReview and approve the minutes of 8/28/15.Discussion/Decision:				
IV	President's Report - Information/Discussion	Clark			
	Discussion/Decision:	I			
v	Committee Appointments - Action	Senate	Objective : Appoint faculty members to committees.		
	Discussion/Decision:				
VI	Senate/Committee Reports - Information	Senate			
	Discussion/Decision:				
VII	Election of Senate Vice President – Discussion/Action	Senate	 Background: The VP elected for this year resigned. Objective: Elect a VP for either this academic year or for the latter half of the academic year. If the latter case, discuss strategies for dealing with absence of a VP for this semester. 		
	Discussion/Decision:				
VIII	Adoption of Senate Purpose Statement – Action	Senate	Background: The WCC Academic Senate shall annually reviewits purpose statement.Objective: Adopt purpose statement.		
	Discussion/Decision:				
іх	Senate Goals – Action	Senate	 Background: At the May 21, 2015 retreat, the senate drafter goals for 2015-2016. The list needs to be finalized, adopted and presented to the YCCD Board of Trustees. Objective: Adopt Senate Goals for 2015-16 		

	Discussion/Decision:					
x	Committee Structure – Information/Discussion	Senate	 Background: In an effort to streamline and improve the efficiency of a number of planning groups (Budget and Planning, PRVT, SLO) a proposal has been made to combine some into a single committee, tentatively named Institutional Effectiveness Committee. Objective: Continue discussion of the proposal. 			
	Discussion/Decision:					
XI	Compressed Calendar – Action	Clark, Asmus	 Background: The District is considering adopting a compressed calendar for the 2016-17 academic year (and beyond). As part of the process, the State requires letters o support from the academic senates within the district. Objective: Reach a decision regarding such a letter. 			
	Discussion/Decision:					
XII	Accreditation Midterm Report – Information/Discussion	Konuwa, Howerton , Clark	 Background: WCC will turn in a Midterm Report and two (2) Sub-Change Reports (CLC transition and CCOF curriculum). All three are due October 15. Objective: Receive updates on the status of each report. 			
	Discussion/Decision:					
XIII	Program Review & CLC - Discussion	Senate, Lyons	Background : With CLC poised to transition to be part of WCC in 2016-17, the process of CLC program review should be agreed upon soon Objective : Begin discussions.			
	Discussion/Decision:					
XIV	Library Advisory Purpose Statement – Action	Clark	Background: LAC has suggested a change in its membership, so that the senate president chairs the committee. Objective: Consider adoption of the membership change.			
	Discussion/Decision:					
xv	Future Agenda Items- Discussion		Division Chairs, College Catalog, SSS Priorities, Ed Master Plan, CCOF, LGBTQ Safe Zones, ADA in the Classroom, Faculty Evaluation Forms, Curriculum Support Across the District			
	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	Working on Midterm report			