

Academic Senate Agenda

Date: Friday October 31, 2014 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 (Vice President, CTE), Donna Bahneman (Adjunct), Talwinder Chetra (Math & Science), Kevin Ferns (Secretary, FaLaHum), Greg Gassman (Social Science), Pam Geer (Adjunct Atlarge), Christopher Howerton (At-large), Cheryl Latimer (Student Services)

Item	Description-Type	Lead	Background and Objective		
ı	Approval of Agenda -Action		Approve agenda of 10/31/14.		
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				
Ш	Approval of Minutes-Action		Review and approve the minutes of 10/24/14.		
""	Discussion/Decision:				
IV	President's & Vice President's Reports - Information/Discussion	Clark, McGill- Cameron			
	Discussion/Decision:				
v	Committee Appointments - Action	Senate	Objective : Appoint faculty members to committees.		
	Discussion/Decision:				
VI	Senate/Committee Reports - Information	Senate			
	Discussion/Decision:				
VII	SLO Committee Purpose Statement & Program Review Validation Team Purpose Statement – Action Discussion/Decision:	Howerton	Background: The SLO Committee and the Program Review Validation Team have proposed changes to their committee purpose statements. This will be the second read of each. Objective: Approval of the two (2) new purpose statements.		

VIII	Agreements with Other Institutions – Information/Discussion	Latimer, Clark	Background: WCC has been approached a number of times regarding establishing a working arrangement with other institutions (National University somewhat recently, Simpson University most recently). What role should the senate take in such decisions, and what a process for making such decisions might look like will be considered. Objective: Follow-up regarding conversations with the administration regarding next steps.		
	Discussion/Decision:				
IX	Academic Standards – Information/Discussion	Clark, Mangney	Background : Continued discussion of Academic Standards. Objective : Follow-up regarding conversations with the administration regarding next steps.		
	Discussion/Decision:				
x	Accreditation Update - Information	Clark, Howerton	Objective : Provide the senate with an update of the status of the response to the ACCJC Recommendations and the timeline for completion of the process. Begin discussion of the process for the Midterm Report.		
	Discussion/Decision:				
ΧI	Plenary, ASCCC Institutes, Senate Appointees to State Committees, and Visit from The ASCCC Local Senates Committee – Information/Discussion	Clark, Senate	ackground: There is an increased WCC involvement with the cademic Senate of California Community Colleges. There as been a haphazard approach to supporting participation and to gleaning information from participation. bjective: Hold a preliminary discussion on if and where secus should be provided in work with ASCCC. Identify esources needed to take advantage of ASCCC opportunities.		
	Discussion/Decision:				
XII	Future Agenda Items- Discussion		College Catalog, SSS Priorities, Ed Master Plan, Committees, CCOF, WCC Committee Structure, CLC Transition, Constitution & Bylaws		
	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				