

Woodland Community College
ACADEMIC SENATE
Special Meeting
Minutes – February 3, 2012

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Monica Chahal (President)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kevin Ferns (Language Arts)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Talwinder Chetra (Math and Science)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Matt Clark (Vice President/at large)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nancy Clavere (Adjunct)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pat Wheeler (Adjunct, at large)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Greg Gassman (Social Sciences)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Estelita Spears (Student Services)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Donna McGill-Cameron (Business and Vocational Ed.)

Guests: R. Besikof, J. Brown, S. Ng, C. Latimer, B. Rhode, N. Bruening, C. Strode, A. Konuwa, L. Deniz

Call to Order at 2:05 pm

- I. Approval of Agenda as Amended (Wheeler/Chetra)
- II. Approval of Minutes as amended for 1/27/12 (Wheeler/Clark)
- III. Public Comment
 - A. Clark reports that Chahal has been elected to a second term as Senate President. Applause all around.
 - B. Clark reports that some faculty members have expressed concern that the Multicultural Enrichment Center is being used as a meeting space to conduct non ME-related committee work. This is not a recommended use of the space, especially since multiple conference rooms are available on campus.
 - C. Clark reports that the administration does not plan to allow 3 week summer classes to be offered. The Senate should take this up in the near future and make a recommendation on the merits/drawbacks of the three week course (on February 24).
 - D. Chetra wonders about the role of the Senate representative on the calendar committee because YCFA approval is required, but Senate approval is not required. Chahal reports that the union must sign an MOU, not the Senate.
 - E. Chetra reports that we had planned to acknowledge Classified staff on a monthly basis to improve morale. Chahal will check the goals and send out a reminder if this was a Senate goal.
 - F. Chetra recognizes Nancy Flores as being a wonderful resource and very effective in her work at the Colusa County Outreach Facility.
 - G. Chetra reports that the calendar committee elected to go with Draft 9 as the final version for Fall 2012, in which all faculty and staff work Monday through Wednesday during the Thanksgiving week for the Fall 2012 semester.
 - H. Clark notes that the calendar approved by the WCC Senate has a withdraw date for students at 60% of the semester. The WCC Senate implicitly endorsed the calendar

with that 60% withdraw time, but did not discuss the 60% issue. The Senate does not explicitly endorse that change.

- I. Chahal reports that the Counseling and Library Faculty Issues Committee will be meeting on campus on Friday, 2/21 in room 727 from 9:00-3:30.

➤ **Motion to Approve the Calendar, Draft 9 (M/S/C Clavere/Wheeler)**

IV. Closed Session: Tenure Hearings

V. Open Session

A. Report on action taken in closed session:

- **Motion to recommend to the Board to grant tenure to Nili Kirschner (M/S/C Clark/Gassman; Unanimous Decision)**
- **Motion to recommend to the Board to grant tenure to Ralph Robinson (M/S/C Clark/Wheeler; Unanimous Decision)**
- **Motion to recommend to the Board to grant tenure to Leslie Deniz (M/S/C Gassman/Clark; Unanimous Decision)**
- **Motion to recommend to the Board to grant tenure to Kevin Ferns (M/S/C Chetra/Clark; Unanimous Decision)**

VI. Meeting Adjourned-4:00 pm (Clark/Gassman)