

## Christopher Howerton's WCC Academic Senate President's Report\*

Friday February 8, 2019

*\*This President's report covers activities between the last official Senate meeting and Monday 2/4/19. I will provide an oral report for meetings after 2/4/19 during the next Senate meeting.*

### Off Campus Stuff:

- 1) **Area A Meeting (Spring 2019)** – Scheduled for March 22<sup>nd</sup> and hosted by San Joaquin Delta College (Stockton)
- 2) **ACCJC Conference (April 30 – May 3)** - On Feb 29<sup>th</sup> I received notification that I will be a co-presenter for two breakout sessions during this conference (*Gearing Up for the Site Visit*) & (*Opportunities from Recommendations*). Librarian Dena Martin will also be a presenter during this conference.
- 3) **ASCCC Hayward Award** – I submitted my review of applicants that ASCCC assigned to me as one of the many readers. ASCCC will recognize the winner during the Spring Plenary

### On Campus/District Meetings Stuff:

1. **WCC & YC Senate Presidents meeting with YC-AFT President (1/28/19):** (Elena Flacks, Christopher Howerton, and Elaine Robinson). Topics of discussion included: 1)update on YC-AFT negotiations, 2) PT faculty participation on committees with compensation; 3)PT evaluation forms; 4) concern with the calculation and payment of lab hours/rates; 5) I did bring up the topic of intellectual property; and 6) PT participation on the district evaluation taskforce.
2. **WCC and YC Senate Leadership meeting with FAYCCD leadership (1/29):** (Elena Flacks, Christopher Howerton, Kevin Ferns, Lisa Jenson-Martin, & Georgie O'Keefe-Schwering) Topics of discussion included: FAYCCD concern brought to YC Senate regarding the transferring of deans w/o a clear process and the appointment to interim and permanent positions. We also discussed: the role of the senate in the tenure review process, the possibility of deans hiring part-time faculty without FT faculty participation in the interview process, missed evaluations of FT faculty, and the new WCC Director of Special Programs job announcement develop and advertised without faculty input.
3. **PIE Meeting with VP King (1/30):** This was a planning meeting for PIE that VP King and I co-chair. Please see the PIE meeting report below on topics that are covered.
4. **Senate Leadership check-in meeting (Howerton & Pierro) (1/31)** - Agenda planning meeting
5. **Meeting regarding OER (1/31):** Rescheduled to 2/7
6. **PIE Meeting (2/1)** – Review of PRVT Process and discussed the formal feedback necessary for full program review. PIE will have a finalized full Operating Agreement with the updated taskforces for senate review prior to the end of the semester. As we discussed in Senate with the approval to move to a new PIE committee and the consolidation of the taskforces under the new structure we will have more conversation about membership that might change from what the original membership suggested. Update about the full-time faculty positions and the full resource support for each position. We also discussed the refreshed EMP timeline and expected outcomes. In a future PIE meeting we will have more conversation about the Grant process.
7. **College Council (2/1)** – There is still a vacancy for both a FT faculty representative and a PT faculty representative. College Council received an Accreditation update provided by VP King; received oral progress reports from the Accreditation Committee and Diversity Committee chairs. PIE, Safety Committee and Student Service Council will provide updates on March 1, and the Student Success Committee and FLEX/Professional development committee will update college council on March 15. College council also discussed the refresh EMP timeline and committee effectiveness surveys.

8. **Meeting with Deans/VP/Directors/IT (2/4)** – Oral Report will be given during the 2/8/19 senate meeting
9. **DC3 (2/5)** – Oral Report will be given during the 2/8/19 senate meeting
10. **PIE Planning Meeting with VP King (2/6)** - Oral Report will be given during the 2/8/19 senate meeting
11. **DCAS (2/7)** - Oral Report will be given during the 2/8/19 senate meeting
12. **Senate Leadership chick-in meeting (Howerton & Pierro) (2/7)** – This is a standing meeting to plan our senate agendas and update status on senate work.
13. **Senate Leadership meeting with WCC Administration (2/7)** - Oral Report will be given during the 2/8/19 senate meeting
14. **Meeting regarding OER (2/7):-** Oral Report will be given during the 2/8/19 senate meeting

#### **Other Stuff**

- 1) **Official Accreditation Notification from ACCJC** – On January 25<sup>th</sup> WCC received official notice from Dr. Winn (President of ACCJC) that WCC’s accreditation status has been reaffirmed for 7 years with a follow-up report due no later than March 2, 2020 for our one compliance recommendation (district-level Recommendation 1). As directed, college administration sent a copy of the report, action letter, and submitted ISER to the signatories of our ISER. (On a personal note: I have read the full report from our visitation team and I am extremely proud of all the hard work to create our ISER, prepare for the visit, and the work necessary to meet the standards). The full [EXTERNAL EVALUATION REPORT](#) and [official letter from ACCJC](#) are hyperlinked here for quick reference. All accreditation information will be stored on our college website (including these documents).
- 2) **I notified the faculty members that we endorsed to attend Spring Plenary and Ana to arrange registration and travel documents.**
- 3) North by far North – Deputy Sector Navigators provided a small grant for LCC Culinary program to support the development of certificates for CDCD.
- 4) Dr. Houston has requested for me to begin collecting suggestions from the faculty in preparation for the WCC President search. I will place this topic on our agenda, and will request that suggestions come to me by Feb. 15.

#### **Upcoming Meeting Calendar for Howerton**

##### **This list represents my planned meetings prior to our next full WCC Senate Meeting**

- 2/11/19 – IEPI Connecting the Dots: Data-Informed Integrate Planning (full day meeting) Sacramento
- 2/12/19 – Full Faculty Meeting
- 2/14/19 – Standing WCC Academic Senate Leadership meeting with WCC Administration Leadership
- 2/14/19 – YCCD Regular Board of Trustee Meeting
- 2/19/19 – full day face-to-face meeting with ASCCC Accreditation sub-committee (held at San Burnadino Valley College)

#### **Calendar of upcoming ASCCC events for our Senate planning and attendance: See Below**

Link for all ASCCC events: <http://asccc.org/calendar/list/events>