SBVC Academic Senate President's Report

September 30, 2020

Ruth Bader Ginsburg. Many of us, myself included, would not be able to do what we do had it not been for RBG. I ask the Senate to please observe 87 seconds of silence for RBG who stood so strongly for human rights.

Breonna Taylor. Breonna Taylor deserves justice. The injustice handed down this last week reminds us as to why we need to continue our work.

Districtwide Institutional Effectiveness Committee (DIEC): Presented on the PDP (Post-secondary Data Partnership) Dashboard that, if the District commits to it, allows one to use a password- protected dashboard that contains Tableau on their server. Managers and faculty chairs would be able to obtain robust data. Currently, there is very limited access to Tableau because of the cost due to the per user license. The committee will also take a look at the Request for Proposal (RFP) for the Environmental Scan which is needed to write the Education Master Plan (EMP). The membership of this committee includes the Academic Senate President or a designee, and Rania Hamdy will be the designee for this committee.

AB705. There is a district- wide report and statewide survey results on AB 705. I highly recommend that our English and Mathematics department faculty, if they have not had a chance to read and discuss, to do so. As we know, curriculum is Senate/ faculty purview.

Senate faculty appointments on committees: Faculty should be empowered to speak for the faculty, be familiar with the purview of the Senate, and report back the global picture. I will work with the Senate Executive Committee on this theme for our Spring Academic Senate retreat.

87 seconds of silence

to honor Ruth Bader Ginsburg

