

SBVC Academic Senate Report

Welcome and Recognitions



Thank you to:

- Dr. Houston for her opening day welcome and words of vision, guidance, and encouragement.
- Chancellor Rodriguez for her visit to SBVC A.S. this past week to share some general updates and, more importantly, to let faculty know they are seen and heard.
- Dr. Thayer for his leadership during some challenging times. Chancellor Rodriguez highlighted his work and accomplishments during our opening-day presentation. Thank you Dr. Thayer for your service and support.
- The Board of Trustees and Chancellor Rodriguez for the opportunity to participate in the BOT Retreat and the conversation regarding reporting and communication between the BOT and the Academic Senate. The information gained is valuable and will be used as we continue to develop and improve our communication pathways and mechanisms.

We welcome Dr. Fontanilla to campus. The A.S. hosted a Meet and Greet session that allowed the Senate body to connect personally over sweet treats and lemonade. The faculty feedback was positive and the opportunity was welcomed. We look forward to working with Dr. Fontanilla over the next year as we continue forward progress on our recently completed plans.

Information to Inform Policy

- On February 1, 2023, the SBVC A.S. approved the establishment of an **AB928** Ad Hoc and Steering Committee to address the opportunities and challenges forthcoming with AB928. The Ad Hoc and Steering Committee membership is inclusive, diverse and representative of divisions across campus. The work will be focused on exploring the best options for SBVC to adapt its local GE pattern for students who do not plan to transfer. Details regarding the committee structure, scope of work and timeline can be found [here](#). [This FAQ](#) published by the ASCCC provides additional context. The board may see recommendations by the curriculum committee in future agendas.
- AP 2510: Participation in Local Decision Making was revised in February of 2022. The revision went through all the appropriate review and approval processes and ultimately better reflects our current governance structures. As the AP now stands, the role of the Academic Senate in the governance process is not reflected. There are plans in place bring forward some recommended language that will reference the role of Academic Senate and local governance process. SBVC A.S. Senate and Accreditation Committee established a timeline for the review and revision of our local Governance Handbook. This work is to ensure any reference added to AP 2510 will to a document that reflects our current processes.

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Actions and/or Updates Related to Goals



- **Eliminate Barriers to Student Access and Success**
 - Successful onboarding as a Teaching College with the CVC will open our online courses to students across all CCC campuses. This is also an opportunity to bring FTES to the campus. Additionally, our students will have one more tool for successfully transferring and completing their certificate or degree. Upon going live, we will have access to a dashboard to gather data about the number of students coming to us and going to other campuses. We will be able to track the courses students are looking for elsewhere or at our campus. This data can be used to inform scheduling and curriculum. The DE Committee looks forward to providing reports on this data in the future.
 - The English Department faculty have been engaged in a Community of Practice since 2019. The focus of the work changed according to current issues. The last few semesters have focused on providing a sustainable structure of continuous growth to support faculty. The department intends to support faculty working with our Black/African-American students. This is intentional work directly related to our Student Equity Plan and eliminating barriers to success. This type of work requires support in the form of time, space, and money. We appreciate the resources and support provided to date and look forward to continued support.
- **Be a Diverse, Equitable, Inclusive, and Anti-Racist Institution**
 - As a community, it is essential to recognize the experiences of our fellow members, especially when traumatic incidents impact them. Two tragic events in January greatly impacted the API community within the district and beyond. The district leadership responded with a message recognizing the shootings and the impact experienced by the community and expressed support and solidarity. Messages and recognitions such as these are vital to building a community of trust. Thank you to the district leadership for communicating and sending that message.
 - The faculty and staff of SBVC recognize the importance of identifying, supporting, and celebrating Black History Month. Black history and excellence should be recognized at all times. Still, Black History Month is a moment to consciously and intentionally spotlight the Black community's contributions to history, science, the arts, and more. SBVC will be hosting several events on campus and virtually in recognition of Black History Month. Several flyers have been included at the end of this document for reference.
- **Be a Leader and Partner in Addressing Regional Issues**
- **Ensure Fiscal Accountability/Stability**
 - Enrollment management is an essential part of ensuring fiscal accountability and sustainability. The faculty body is tuned in to the enrollment challenges we have and continue to face. While we are experiencing growth in enrollment, we know there is much more work to be done. The faculty body continues to offer their ideas and "boots on the ground" expertise in how to bring students to our doorstep and keep them. As enrollment is prioritized and plans are established to build our FTES, we ask that the role of faculty be kept at the forefront. It is not enough to get students to the doorstep of our campuses. We must provide a safe environment, present culturally responsive teaching, present content in a diverse and inclusive manner, humanize the student experience, and meet our students where they are. Faculty are engrossed in this work and ask that any future enrollment plans look beyond the marketing and are connected to the work already being done on our campus.

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Noteworthy Accomplishments/Activities



The Purpose Series

Remember the community of practice work referenced earlier in this report? Well, there is more excellent work resulting from there. The English Department faculty have partnered with Professional Development to bring The Purpose Series to the faculty body. English faculty member Amy Mills and our Professional Development Coordinator, Rania Hamdy, lead this project.

The Purpose Series is a 3-part book discussion on "How To Navigate Life: The New Science of Finding Your Way in School, Career & Beyond" by Timothy Klein and Belle Liang. The first discussion was recently held, and the next two will be in February and March. Belonging is one of the key themes in the book, which is essential for all of us to create for our students and to experience ourselves. This book provides research-based methods for understanding and navigating life to discover how to live a purpose-driven life. Growth in these areas has the potential to transform our teaching and our student experiences. This work directly relates to the district's goals of eliminating barriers to student success and creating a diverse, equitable, and inclusive learning environment for our students.

Books were provided to participants at no charge, and participants were provided a personal welcome message by both authors. Tim's welcoming message can be viewed [here](#), and Belle's message can be viewed [here](#). If you would like a book of your own, please reach out to Rania Hamdy to see if copies are still available.

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HISTORY MONTH

SBCCD EVENTS & SCHEDULE

01

FEB

BLACK HISTORY MONTH OPENING CEREMONY

CHC CCR 155 | 12:00 PM

08

FEB

UNTOLD STORIES OF BLACK HISTORY IN REDLANDS

ONLINE | 12:00 PM

08

FEB

PRINTED MATTER

SBVC GRESHAM ART GALLERY | 12:15 PM

08

FEB

"THE LIGHT WE CARRY: OVERCOMING IN UNCERTAIN TIMES" BOOK DISCUSSION

ONLINE | 2:00 PM

15

FEB

"HOW IT FEELS TO BE FREE" FILM SCREENING

ONLINE | 12:00 PM

16

FEB

"CHISHOLM '72 - UNBOUGHT & UNBOSSSED" FILM DISCUSSION

ONLINE | 3:00 PM

18

FEB

NATURAL HAIR DAY

SBVC BUSINESS BUILDING
ROOM 100 | 12:00 PM

22

FEB

"HAIR TALES" SCREENING & DISCUSSION

SBVC BUSINESS BUILDING
ROOM 100 | 4:00 PM

28

FEB

BREAKING BREAD A COMMUNITY GATHERING

SBVC BUSINESS BUILDING
ROOM 100 | 10:00 AM

28

FEB

FASHION SHOW

SBVC BUSINESS BUILDING
ROOM 100 | 6:00 PM

Get online event information at

www.eventbrite.com/cc/black-history-month-2023-1550159

Black History *J* American History





Wadsworth Jarrell,
Revolutionary (Angela Davis), 1971

Posters, artworks
and materials addressing
historical events, war, women's
rights, voting rights, and civil rights
that speak to challenges we are
working through today.

Printed Matter

Gresham Gallery at San Bernardino Valley College

For more information contact: mabatalo@valleycollege.edu



ETSA/ SBCCD Black Faculty & Staff Association
Presents

Natural Hair Day

Saturday February 18th, 2023

Location : Valley College Business Building Rm-100

Time : 12pm-4pm

Address : 701 S Mt. Vernon Street

San Bernardino, Ca 92410

Live Hair Stylists/ Barbers

Live Performances

Vendors

Guest Speaker

Music by: Dj: Demico

Hair/ Fashion Show

“MY HAIR IS A
REFLECTION OF
MY SOUL”



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