Sun Room 3:00 - 4:30

Minutes of May 5, 2010

Time	Topic	Discussion	Further Action
3:05	Call to Order		
	Approval of Minutes for 4/21/10		Motion for approval of the Minutes of 4/21/10 by P Buckley 2nd by R Whitfield Voice vote - Ayes unanimous
	President's Report	J Stanskas reported (see attachment). Outstanding Professors - J Stanskas first recognized K Kammer and R Pires for being selected as outstanding professors. District Assembly Vacancies - J Stanskas reviewed the charge of the Assembly and the importance of filling the four vacancies (for Valley) before the first meetings occurring in the Fall. Academic Senate Retreat - J Stanskas reviewed the history of the retreat and asked about interest in continuing it prior to the Fall Semester. A recommendation was made to hold it on Thursday, August 12, 9a to 3p. Ex Comm Meeting scheduled for May 12 at 3p. J Stanskas reminded the Ex Comm to bring their committee assignments for their respective Divisions.	

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N	lew Business	Liberal Arts Degrees, Limitations on Number of Awards - L Molina spoke on the current requirements necessary to receive a Liberal Arts AS degree and brought two concerns to the Senate regarding; a) the issuance of three Liberal Arts AS degree with three different areas of emphasis, and b) the awarding of a Liberal Arts AS degree (w/ an area of emphasis) to a student who received a Liberal Arts AS, before 2008, when no area of emphasis was designated. Part (a) discussion - O Salvaggio enquired about the number of units required to receive multiple Lib Arts AS degrees. C Parish clarified the unit counts from the required areas to be eligible for multiple degrees. O Salvaggio then enquired about the advantages of receiving multiple degrees. L Molina responded that there were no advantages. A Aguilar-Kitibutr described a typical hypothetical circumstance where a student might find themselves eligible for multiple degrees. C Parish suggested that once a student has selected an area of emphasis and earned the LA AS then there is no need to earn another. Some additional discussion followed concerning fee, registration, local and state regulatory rules regarding students pursuing such an option. O Salvaggio commented about the concomitant strain placed on the institution in allowing students to pursue multiple degrees (ie taking up seats that could accommodate new students). Some other discussion followed about the typical student situation that leads up to the awarding of multiple degrees. J Stanskas commented that instead of dealing with this issue now, this issue could be forwarded to Ed Policy next year and solicit input from the Student Senate about it. L Molina clarified further that the auditing requirements that govern the awarding of a LA AS are such that if a student has units for multiple areas of emphasis they must be issued separate degrees for each of these areas. Welcome New Senators for 2010 to 2013 - (see attachment) Election of Vice President - J Stanskas opened the floor for nominations. K Rammer n	Motion for transferring this item to Ed Policy Committee for further analysis by P Buckley. 2nd by W Chatfield Ayes unanimous

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	Old Business	Student Success and Access Plan - J Stanskas briefed the Senate about the presentation occurring on April 29, 2010. B Fierro made some observations concerning the faculty commitment to being knowledgeable about the students we serve and being committed to serve them with our best efforts in light of this knowledge while maintaining high standards. A Moore reminded Senators that productive assessment not only refers to identifying needed courses for preparation but also providing students with information about classes that aren't necessary. J Stanskas then reminded the Senate that these discussions will be occurring at the start of the Fall Semester in the hopes of forming a consensus about the future path of the college in this realm.	

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	Committees	Ed Policy - R Pires highlighted the work on the Program Discontinuance policy (w/ thanks to C Huston) and also the ARCC Report composition. Student Serv - A Aguilar-Kitibutr highlighted the work performed in conjunction with the Elections Committee in modifying the procedure for electing Senators. Additionally the committee will be analyzing the different tools available for faculty evaluation of Librarians and Counselors. Personnel Policy - L Hector anticipated looking into the Advancement in Rank procedure and reviewing its operation. CTE - Financial Policy - Equity/Diversity - D Lee announced the offering of two noncredit courses in the Fall, ESL 604 and 650 Legislative Policy - A Moore reported on the analysis of AB 1440 bill in regards to transfer to Cal State. Elections - V Anemelu reported on the changes in the election By Laws and election of outstanding professors. Basic Skills - J Mendoza reported on the changes in the Orientation process and looked forward to the mandatory assessment and orientation. She also highlighted the work with J Smith on quantifying the effectiveness of their efforts in these areas. Curriculum - R Whitfield reported 9 new courses, 190 course modifications, 68 course deletions, 61 courses approved for Distrib Ed, 12 certificate modifications, and 11 degree modifications. She also highlighted the work of faculty and Deans in submitting courses for content review that had been lacking for some time. Program Rev - C Huston reported on the piloting the new efficacy process and simplifying paperwork. Ten programs completed the process and eight received recommendations for continuation, one program pending. She also spoke about some feedback the committee received on the modifications and ramping up the scope of the process next year to include Student Services and Administrative Services. K Kammer complimented the committee on the assistance he received in the process. Prof Development -	

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	Additional Reports	College President's Report - Pres Daniels spoke about the all campus meeting regarding the new hiring from the list provided by the Ad Hoc Committee. SBCCD-CTA - P Buckley reminded Senators that a ratification vote was scheduled to occur on the Health Plan modifications. District Assembly - O Salvaggio spoke to encourage Valley College participation in the affairs of the District Assembly as a vital element of feedback to the District on the operation of the campus. J Stanskas thanked E Szumski and S Meyers in the prep for this final meeting in the Sun Room. J Stanskas then recognized the following retirees, A Moore, R Whitfield, O Salvaggio, C Cook.	
	Public Comments	T Sheffield reflected on the fine work that has occurred at Valley College. Kathleen Rowley, Director of Grant Develop and Managment introduced herself as a resource to the college. B Fierro reminded the Senators going on in the Calif Comm College Collaborative meeting at UCR on May 13 from 1-3p. J Notorangelo thanked J Stanskas for all of his work and leadership throughout the year.	
	Annouce- ments		
4:28	Adjournment		