



For Approval: April 30, 2012

**San Diego Mesa College
Academic Affairs Committee
Minutes**

April 16, 2012: LRC 208 (4:00PM-5:00PM)

Present: Co-Chair VPI McGrath, Co-Chair John Crocitti, Bill Brothers, Jack Forman, Peter Jacoby, Inna Kanevsky, Mike Sanchez, Robert Sanchez and Arlis Svedberg

Absent: Dean Dave Evans

I. Call to Order by Co-Chair John Crocitti @ 4:04PM.

II. Review of today's Agenda:

Motion to approve with the restoration of previously tabled agenda items:

M/S

Brothers/Svedberg

Unanimous

III. Review the minutes of November 28, 2011:

Motion to approve without changes:

M/S

Svedberg/Brothers

Unanimous

IV. Report from the Academic Senate: (Co-Chair Crocitti)

V. Academic Affairs Subcommittee Report:

A. Humanities Institute: (Denise Rogers)

1. Some of events/programs the committee is supporting for Spring 2012 are:
 - a. African American/Latino Male Leadership Annual Summit
 - b. Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Annual Celebration
 - c. Bridges to the Baccalaureate Program
 - d. Festival of Colors Annual Celebration
 - e. Global Awareness Committee
 - f. Languages Department Annual Conference
 - g. Mesa Visions Annual Writing Contest
 - h. Student Athlete Award Recognition (STAR) Ceremony
 - i. Women's History Month Annual Events
2. Committee membership includes the Deans of Arts & Languages and Humanities and Faculty representatives from the Art, Biology, Chicano Studies, Counseling, and Sociology departments who are actively involved in the work of the committee and meet once a month.
3. It has been difficult for the committee to get Faculty to complete their paperwork on time.
4. Mesa College's recent designation as a Hispanic Serving Institution will open more funding sources.
5. Denise will send Academic Affairs the abstract of the grant the Humanities Institute is currently working on.

VI. Old Business:

- A. Position Paper #6 (Reassigned Time): Last Approved by the Senate & President's Cabinet in March 2009.
 - 1. The committee agreed that reassigned time funded by Discretionary funds from the College's FTEF needs to be approved through the Program Review process every two years.
- B. Curriculum Balance: Position Paper # 2 is only a procedure for maintaining Curriculum Balance.
 - 1. Six-Year Review:
 - a. It is time for the six-year review.
 - Vocational Education courses are reviewed every two years.
 - b. Does Academic Affairs want to work on this during 2012-2013?
 - c. How are other CA Community Colleges managing their Curriculum Balance with budget reductions?
 - d. How will San Diego State University's approval of nine (9) San Diego Community College District (SDCCD) Transfer Model Curriculum (TMCs) making our TMCs valid at all California State University (CSU) since the CSU has course alignment that effects Mesa College's Curriculum Balance?
 - 2. Scheduling Balance:
 - a. Co-Chair McGrath reported adding English 101 as a prerequisite for a course would reduce enrollment for the course for a time and increase the need for additional sections of English 101.
 - Enrollment for the course will go back down as students complete the English 101 Prerequisite requirement.
- C. Updating the role and responsibilities of the Academic Affairs Committee: (Bill Brothers)
 - 1. Bill will send out the duties of the Academic Affairs Committee as currently listed in the Academic Senate Constitution.
- D. List of Academic Affairs Subcommittees: Tabled

VII. New Business:

- A. Topics for New Position/Research Papers from the Senate Executive Committee: Tabled

VIII. Adjournment by Co-Chair Crocitti @ 4:57PM.

The next Academic Affairs meeting is scheduled for March 12th in LRC 208 @ 4:00PM.

Submitted by Sue Saetia

Approved by Academic Affairs: April 30, 2012