



**For Approval: October 11, 2010**

**MESA ACADEMIC SENATE**  
**September 27, 2010: H117/H118 (2:15PM-4:00PM)**  
**Minutes**

**PRESENT:**

Anar Brahmabhatt, Jennifer Cost, Chris Dawes, Nelly Dougherty, Joel Espinoza, Rob Fremland, Erika Higginbotham, Madeleine Hinkes, Bill Hoefler, Katie Holton, Sharon Hughes, Peter Jacoby, Jill Jansen, Leroy Johnson, Ken Kuniyuki, Danielle Lauria, Cesar Lopez, Jonathan McLeod, Phyllis Meckstroth, Devin Milner, Francisca Rascon, Angela Romeo, Ron Ryno, Marilynn Schenk, Barbara Sexton, Shannon Shi, George Svoboda, Duane Wesley

**ABSENT:**

Mark Abajian (proxy to Duane Wesley), Becca Arnold, Aulani Chun, Kris Clark (proxy to Barbara Sexton), Leslie Cloud (proxy to Duane Wesley), Michael Crivello, Dwight Furrow (proxy to Jonathan McLeod), Martina Hesser (proxy to Georgia Laris), Holly Hodnick (proxy to Jonathan McLeod), Georgia Laris (proxy to Barbara Sexton), Susan Lazear (proxy to Susheela Narayanan), Laurie Mackenzie (proxy to Ron Ryno), Joe "Mac" McKenzie (proxy to Shannon Shi), Guillermo Marrujo, Thekima Mayasa, Tricia Mendoza, Toni Parsons (proxy to Phyllis Meckstroth), Cynthia Rico-Bravo (excused), Mike Sanchez, Michelle Tucker, Farshid Zand

**I. CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME** by President-Elect Madeleine Hinkes @ 2:15 PM.

**II. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS:**

**A. ASB Representative:** (Joel Espinoza)

New ASB representative, Joel Espinoza, announced the Mesa ASB will hold a joint rally with Region X to protest the state budget cuts on October 7<sup>th</sup>, the "NATIONAL DAY OF ACTION FOR EDUCATION", at 12:30PM at the Mesa Quad in front of the cafeteria. The ASB is looking for speakers for the rally.

**B. Accreditation Update:** (Dean Jill Baker and Juliette Parker)

Dean Baker told the senate that Mesa College has come a long way over the past six years. She showed the senate the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC) rubrics that we need to achieve for the accreditation process. The first is Program Review, second is Planning, and the third is Student Learning Outcomes (SLOs). The four cycles of implementation are: Awareness, Development, Proficiency, and Sustainable Continuous Quality Improvement. Dean Baker reported we have achieved the fourth cycle of Sustainable Continuous Quality Improvement for Program Review and Planning. We are still between the second (Development) and the third (Proficiency) cycles for SLOs. However, we do not need to reach Proficiency for SLOs until 2012 and the Assessment cycle is continuous. Program Review is making a clear connection between Program Review and Budget Planning. Our self-study does include the need for more funding and the issue of workload. A great deal of discussion occurred at the FLEX events for Accreditation Preparation, which also included participation from students and the Academic Senate.

**IV. APPROVAL OF SENATE MINUTES:** The Minutes of September 13, 2010 were unanimously approved.

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**Unanimous**

**V. COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- A. Academic Affairs:** Interim Chair Peter Jacoby reported that Academic Affairs discussed the review and updates of the Position Papers and the pending changes in the Prerequisite Clearance process at the September 13<sup>th</sup> meeting. Donald Abbott also discussed the role of the Strategic Planning Committee. Monica Romero, Transfer Center Supervisor, will update Academic Affairs on the changes resulting from the relocation of our evaluators to District Offices at a future meeting.
- B. Professional Development:** Report E-Mailed.
- C. Committee of Chairs:** No Report
- D. Curriculum Chair:** Toni Parsons had to leave due to illness. A quorum was not reached at the last Curriculum meeting at District Offices. A report is not available.
- E. Basic Skills:** Terry Teegarden announced that five copies of "College Fear Factor", the first book for the Basic Skills Book Club, will be available for check out at the LRC. Terry also announced that there are open discussions on the Blackboard section of the Basic Skills website to create new professional development workshops. The Basic Skills Committee is also looking at "Culturally Relevant Teaching". Are we being sufficiently inclusive to our students from all the different cultures we serve?
- F. Textbook Affordability:** No Report.

**VI. SENATE EXEC REPORTS:**

- A. President-Elect:** Hinkes reported that the Environmental Stewardship, Global Awareness, Perkins, and Public Art Committees need more members. Anar Brahmhatt reported on the problems the Environmental Stewardship Committee has been dealing with. Madeleine noted that the Scholarship Committee has volunteers. The Photovoltaic project is ongoing in parking lots 1 & 2, and the parking structure. VPA Perez created flexible parking spaces on Mesa College Circle between the tennis courts and the A100 buildings that will honor student parking permits from 6:00PM-11:00PM through December 18<sup>th</sup>.
- B. Treasurer:** Ken Kuniyuki clarified due card information and received new due cards.
- C. State Senate Representative:** Katie Holton reported that Miramar College approved the resolution on gender identity and there is board activity on the resolution.
- D. Senator at Large:** No Report.
- E. Secretary:** No Report.
- F. President:** (Cynthia Rico-Bravo)
  - 1. President's Cabinet:** Cynthia Rico-Bravo emailed her report before leaving for vacation; there were no further questions or discussion.

2. **District Governance:** Cynthia Rico-Bravo emailed her report before leaving for vacation; there were no further questions or discussion.
3. **Board of Trustees:** Cynthia Rico-Bravo emailed her report before leaving for vacation; there were no further questions or discussion.
4. **Student Services:** Cynthia Rico-Bravo emailed her report before leaving for vacation; there were no further questions or discussion.

## VII. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. **Resolution – 10.09.01 ARTICLE 111 – ORDER OF BUSINESS** (Addition of Section)  
Introduced by Madeleine Hinkes on September 13, 2010 and opened for discussion.  
The resolution was unanimously approved.
- B. **10.09.02 Resolution on the hiring of new tenure-line faculty as prudent planning and to comply with AB 1725**  
Introduced by Jonathan McLeod on September 13, 2010 and opened for discussion.  
The resolution was unanimously approved.
- C. **10.09.03 Resolution on Budget Allocation Proposal for 4000/5000 budget categories.** Updated Sept. 8, 2010  
Introduced by Rob Fremland on September 13, 2010 and opened for discussion.  
The resolution was unanimously approved.
- D. **Program Review Recommendations:** Adjustments to the review of short and long-term goals. Rob Fremland went over Program Review's Pilot Program for assessing short and long-term goals.

## VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. **Strategic Planning Committee (SPC) Purpose and Membership:**  
Dean Jill Baker just received her doctorate in this field and she is assisting the committee. We want to put strategic planning at the core of our decision-making process.

## IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- A. Madeleine Hinkes informed the senate that our October 11<sup>th</sup> meeting will be held in room [F109](#) due to the Accreditation visit.
- B. Madeleine also announced that the Chancellor's Forum will take place on September 28<sup>th</sup> in H117/H118 from 3:00PM-4:00PM.
- C. Cesar Lopez announced the Ethnic Studies Symposium will be held at Mesa College in the G100 building on October 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>. The symposium is sponsored by SDCCD Mesa and City Colleges, CSU San Marcos, Palomar College, SDSU, UCSD, and USD.

## X. ADJOURNMENT @ 3:51 PM

Submitted by Erika Higginbotham