

Barstow Community College
SPECIAL ACADEMIC SENATE MINUTES
September 6, 2018

DATE: Thursday, September 6, 2018

TIME: 12:30 – 1:30 p.m.

PLACE: B17

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 12:36 p.m. by President Nancy Nunes-Gill.

Members in attendance included Nancy Nunes-Gill, Denise Pasley, Susan Nylander, Abe Aboud, Rodolfo Duque, Dawn Howey, Eduardo Vasquez, and Jill Murphy.

Members absent: Paul Courtney Roland O'Neil

Guests: Penny Shreve, Christie Firtha, Emily Matteson (?)

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Dawn Howey and seconded by Eduardo Vasquez. The motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public comments regarding the prioritization of faculty hiring were made, encouraging Academic Senate to look at many forms of information, not just data presented on class size, and FTEs.

Reports and Announcements

President's Report

President reported on hiring decisions. President has asked for additional information which will be presented at our next meeting. President has been working on job descriptions for the DE Coordinator, Tutorial Center, Professional Development, and Guided Pathways.

Basic Skills Committee

Abe Aboud reported that the committee is restructuring and filling vacancies. President Nunes-Gill appointed Christie Firtha for the English vacancy, and Sona Vartanian for the Math vacancy.

Curriculum Committee

The first meeting will be held 9/7/18. A Curriculum Specialist has been brought in by the college.

Distance Education Committee

Christie Firtha reported that the attendance policy has been implemented. Sample language for syllabi is available. DE Committee is looking at appointing a Peer/Mentor for new online instructors. New guidelines from the State including Regular and Effective Contact—now to be defined as Substantive Contact.

Equivalency Committee

Has not met yet.

ACTION ITEMS

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made to approve the minutes of August 10 2018 by Denise Pasley and seconded by Susan Nylander. The motion carried.

Goals for 2018-2019

The Academic Senate will consider for approval the following goals for the 2018-2019 Academic Year;

0. Complete revision of the Constitution and By Laws
1. Curriculum
2. Guided Pathways (Pathway Leads)
3. Enrollment Management

A motion to approve the above goals was made by Jill Murphy and seconded by Denise Pasley. The motion carried.

INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

2018 Fall Plenary

The Academic Senate will discuss the 3rd person to attend the fall plenary. It was suggested that all interested send an email to President Nance Nunes-Gill.

Ranking of Faculty Hire

1. Chemistry
2. Mathematics
3. English
4. Child

The two replacement positions are Chemistry and Math. The ranking was discussed and data was reviewed.

Academic Senate By-Laws

The Academic Senate will discuss and consider changes to current Academic Senate Constitution and By-Laws beginning where discussion ended on 08/16/18.

Policies were reviewed up to By Laws, Article III: Section 3: Elections of Senators

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 1:28 p.m.

Dawn Howey, AS Secretary

Minutes approved: _____