

Ohlone College Faculty Senate
Minutes
April 5, 2017
3:30-5:00 p.m.
Rm. 7101

Members present: Brenda Ahnholz, Rose-Margaret Itua, Jim McManus, Jeff Roberts, Lisa Wesoloski, Drew Wise, Nan Zhou, Sheryl Einfalt, Sobia, Roberto, Debbie Franklin

Members Absent: Jackie Vetter, Narinder Bansal, Barbara Duggal

Others present: Robin Kurotori, Rob Smedfjeld, Kimberly Robbie, Martin Kludjian, and Dr. Ta.

1. Share - All (I)
What instrument do you play?
2. Approval of Minutes from Mar. 15, 2017 – B. Ahnholz (A)
Brenda made a correction; Sheryl moved Debbie seconded, minutes approved with correction.
3. Faculty Senate President Update (a. tenure/retirement ceremony graduation update, b. part-timer appreciation, c. new faculty announcement, d. FOM, e. Branding, f. MMAP Update, and g. IEPI visit April 6th) - B. Ahnholz (I)
 - a. Breaks during ceremony for changing. Attendance encouraged for faculty support.
 - b. Efforts to re-kickstart this event/reception which has suffered from low attendance in the past.
 - c. New Soccer coach, Computer Science instructor hired
 - d. Faculty of the month: Nan Zhou. Nan and family invited to next board meeting for FOM announcement.
 - e. Faculty invited to join in with rebranding visit/meeting the afternoon of April 27th. Sheryl Einfalt is interested in attending/assisting with event.
 - f. AB-705 is being considered which includes HS GPA as a multiple measure for placement.
 - g. Larissa and Robin Kurotori will be attending
 - h. Faculty Senate table for Gender Sex Fair is ready to go. 25 total tables planned. Jim, Andrew and Sobia are volunteering to sit at the table.
4. Curriculum Consent Agenda for March and April - R. Kurotori (C)
Math-158 had its transferability removed and it won't count toward the AA, tabled again for articulation issues. Agenda unanimously approved.
5. Academic Calendar for 2018-2019 - K. Robbie (I)
We're good for summer 2018 for aligning with the local HS's. Aug 27 fall start, Jan 28 spring start. Summer 2019 aligns with local HS's. Graduation May 24, at the beginning of Memorial Day weekend. Rob asked about the starting point for the schedule: starts with spring built with Learning College Week the week of MLK Day. Starting a week earlier would cause the first Monday of spring to be a holiday. Roberto asked why graduation isn't the week after finals. Dr. Ta offered that many students are out of town that week, including (Nan) international students going home. Debbie asked about spring break, ours is in the middle of the semester, not based on Easter. Lisa mentioned that the schedule takes the winter cyber session into account and avoids having the winter cyber session overlap with the spring semester.
6. Emeritus Status for C. Bolt - J. Andrews and B. Ahnholz (A)
Brenda spoke about Christine's background. Sheryl moved Larissa seconded motion to approve: unanimous yes vote
7. Traffic Issues and Update - M. Grabiner (I)
Mark's contact at radio station KLAW (San Francisco) made a live recorded program about our local traffic with Rose Margaret. Program emailed to senators for pass on to any persons/organizations/entities that could help with traffic issue. Mark is petitioning the city of

Fremont to put a carpool lane on Washington Blvd for right turns from the 2nd lane onto 680N. Dr. Ta and Dr. Browning have spoken with the city and the city is working on the traffic issue. The city has slowed down the light on Mission. A 680 expansion is planned for 2 years from now. Mark and Roberto can connect with Dr. Ta and Dr. Browning about attending a May 9 meeting AC transit meeting.

8. Faculty Senate Gender Equity Resolution - B. Ahnholz (A)
Edits were suggested/made. Rob observed that the resolution is now not about women but about gender. Mark thinks it strikes a good balance. Brenda asked is anyone wanted to make a motion to adopt: tabled for final revision (Sobia will help Brenda with edits)
9. Civility and a Proposed Set of Guidelines for Difficult Discussions (I)
Brenda stated that she thinks some faculty should work with their classes to talk about what civility looks like and bring some statements about this to the senate to form a value statement/set of guidelines. Sheryl and Rose Margaret spoke about adopting information like this into syllabi as a guide for student interaction. Brenda stated that she didn't support making rules about civility or frame this in the context of this being reactionary in any way.
10. Emeritus Status for Bunny Klopping (I) - Roberto
Resolution in support of emeritus status for Bunny introduced.
11. Debbie is retiring at the end of the semester.

Meeting adjourned 5:00pm

Parking Lot of Issues for Next Year

1. Plus/Minus Grading System (Proposal from H. McCarty)
2. Academic Dishonesty Procedure and Reporting Form
3. Part-Time Faculty Appreciation Event
4. Joint Task-Force for New Faculty Orientation and Mentor Program from Faculty Senate and Professional Development and Human Resources (?) Possible interested faculty are Kyle Levy, Brenda Ahntholz, Andy Bloom, Kerrie Kawasaki-Hull and Jose Rico?)
5. Other (?)