De Anza Academic Senate
Approved Notes of the meeting of
October 11th, 2010

Senators and Officers present: Anderson, Cruz, Glapion, Hanna, Hertler, James, Kryliouk, Larson, Lathers, Lee-Wheat, Maynard, McNamara, Pesano, Schaffer, Setziol, Stockwell, Swanner, Tao, and Yang

Senators and Officers absent: Annen, Beckum, Botsford, Guevara, Karst, Mello, and Nickel

DASB: Ali Masook   Classified Senate: none
Administrative Liaison: Rowena Tomaneng Guests: Stacey Cook, Jim Haynes, Virginia Marquez, Rob Mieso, Vicki Moreno, Laurel Torres, Alicia DeToro, Cheryl Woodward, Margaret Michaelis, Dan Mitchell, Kevin Metcalf, and Marcia Maero
SLO coordinators/Staff Development: Jackie Reza   Curriculum Co Chair:

[NOTE: Item numbers are reflective of agenda numbers in the order they are actually taken up at the meeting.]

I. Approval of Agenda and Notes: The agenda was approved as distributed. The notes of October 4th were approved as distributed with a minor correction.

II. Needs and Confirmations: Jen Myhre was confirmed for service on the Roseanne Quinn Tenure Review Committee replacing Wendy White

III. President and Vice President Reports: Lee-Wheat went first and began by telling the group of the current work of the IPBT group. That group is reviewing the annual program review process, the form used, and its overall effectiveness in pointing toward the periodic complete program review. She then turned to the work on SLOs and announced a workshop for division SLO liaisons November 18th and 19th. Anderson picked up where she left off and announced that the new SLO team would make an appearance at an upcoming Executive Committee meeting. Anderson then turned to a variety of announcements and information, beginning with the fact that, year to date, the college WSCH is down 4.5% compared with last year and moving on to a Night of Magic being October 23rd and a fundraiser event Thursday, October 14th, connected somehow to Measure E. Anderson concluded with a report of his attendance at a Strengthening Student Success conference. He characterized that conference, sponsored by the Research and Planning Group, as inspirational and said that he came away from it convinced that if we do good work and account for it adequately, we can stay in front of the accountability movement and legislative concerns about accountability.

IV. SSPBT Discussion: A number of guests speaking in favor of and opposed to a proposal (previously presented) to change the membership of and individual responsibilities within the SSPBT. By far the most discussed part of the proposal was the
portion regarding the co chair position. The SSPBT proposal calls for that position to be filled by a non administrator from within the group, to be approved by his or her respective senate. Among statements not previously made was one revealing that student services faculty have felt very well served by the current structure of the SSPBT, given its parallel with the IPBT and its representation of the more traditionally well represented instructional division faculty. Many questions were raised. Anderson ended the item saying that perhaps most importantly for the next time the item appears on the agenda, the Senators should 1) Read all pertinent documents already or soon to be in hand, 2) Focus on exactly what the group will be deciding, including the question of Academic Senate purview which, although not contested when the SSPBT was formed, seems to be an issue at this point, and 3) Submit any additional documents relevant to this discussion to Anderson by noon Wednesday, October 13th.

V. Standard III Report: Dan Mitchell, Kevin Metcalf, and Margaret Michaelis presented the report and distributed a document on the organization of the work of the standards and, in particular, the work of standard III – resources.

A very important aspect of the work of all of the standards is to be guided by the previous self study and promises and plans made to be sure we will have done a reasonable if not excellent job of living up to those promises and plans. A technology questionnaire has been distributed and people were encouraged to continue completing that. The next drawdown ($50M) of Measure C bond money is coming soon and a discussion of it relative to accreditation became a lesson. The drawdown presents the opportunity to revise needs but the four different subsections of Standard III are dealing with different pieces of the puzzle and now what is needed is to account of all of the money and to answer the question “How would a person find where and how decisions were made about all of the Measure C money?” The target date for a first draft of the Standard III report is December 3rd.

VI. Accreditation Survey: Draft survey instruments were discussed. There were many questions and suggestions for change about the student survey and fewer about the faculty one. Despite reservations from the group about the survey in terms of it being ready for its announced distribution date, Anderson expressed optimism that necessary changes could and would be made in time.

VII. For the good of the Order: Anderson projected a message from the IIS Division encouraging support for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender (LGBT) history month.

An Asian American Leadership Institute coming Winter quarter was also announced.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30.