

I. Burning Issues
To update College Council on changes to some of the governance groups’ representatives, the members re-introduced themselves and explained their representative roles at College Council.

D. Jones-Dulin advised members that a Celebrity Forum had been rescheduled to avoid conflicting with the first day of the Winter quarter.

II. Approval of Minutes for October 23, and November 12, 2003  Handouts #1A & 1B
Both sets of the minutes were approved by consensus.

III. Environmental Study Area Naming Request  Handouts #2A-C
J. Miner introduced Doris Spanggord from the Biological and Health Sciences Division who was representing S. Sherman. D. Spanggord informed the Council that the Biological and Health Sciences Division were requesting the environmental area beside the Kirsch Center be named after Doug Cheesman in appreciation of his contributions to the campus. The naming request was approved by consensus.

IV. Measure E Updates
M. Brandy advised members that he was requesting approval of a proposal to use artificial turf on the soccer field. He provided some background and an overview of the issues, in addition to two information handouts. He noted that using artificial turf would be cheaper and safer; it would be easier and cheaper to maintain; and it would be funded from a surplus funds from the parking deck. L. Jeanpierre concluded from the information and a cost analysis, that it would cost an additional $600,000 in upfront costs but in the long term (over 10 years) would be cheaper by approx. $125,000. Ron Warnock introduced himself, provided background on the older and newer type of artificial turf and the benefits of the new product. All three presenters answered questions on this item. The use of synthetic turf on the soccer field was approved by consensus.

M. Brandy and D. Jones-Dulin addressed the issues of Measure E contingency and bid status on the proposed creative arts performance hall project. D. Jones-Dulin then updated the members on the impact and mitigation plans for parking in the winter and spring quarters. A
recommendation was made to send another parking email to encourage the use of the shuttle and to reiterate the shortage of parking for these two quarters.

V. Draft FHDA Legislative Relations Plan & Guidelines

J. Miner drew attention to handout #3, which was distributed at Chancellor’s Advisory Council, and explained that it was brought before College Council for information.

VI. Educational Master Plan – FHDA Mission, Learning Outcomes & Core Competencies, and Timeline for Mission/Master Plan

J. Miner explained that as a part of the self-study accreditation De Anza needs to address certain issues. She drew attention to the handouts.

FHDA Mission: J. Miner reported that M. Kanter had gone to the senates, unions and other governance groups to request feedback on the draft FHDA mission statement. J. Miner asked for feedback from College Council on this subject.

Learning Outcomes & Core Competencies: De Anza tasks for accreditation: J. Miner recapped a previous College Council accreditation item and requested that the updated materials in handout #5 be taken to the governance groups. She then outlined her ideas and visions for updating the learning outcomes and core competencies. She noted that she would like to see a discussion on a campus-wide level, with particular attention being paid to curriculum. Her goal was to provoke critical thinking on this issue and she was offering the #5 handout information as a framework for a discussion. There was a lengthy discussion on learning outcomes, core competencies, state discussions, FHDA impacts, goals, objectives, and quantitative & qualitative standards.

Timeline: The timeline was discussed and College Council suggested a timeline of February.

J. Miner drew the item to conclusion by stating that it was a work in progress and that the issue would be revisited.

VII. Budget Updates

L. Jeanpierre reported that M. Brandy’s version 3 budget document would go to the Board on December 15, 2003 and that it was still indicating a $12M deficit.

R. Griffin provided an overview of the budget handout #7B1 document. He reported that student services was still having discussions on reduction alternatives. He answered specific questions on the handout and explained the impacts. J. Miner reminded the meeting that this was an impact statement and that it needed to be looked at in its entirety. She asked that the document be returned to the constituencies to review, with a campus-wide focus rather than a divisional focus.

R. Hansen reported that one of Foothill’s ideas was to re-look at WSCH. J. Miner advised that the Board of Governors would do a study on course offerings in February 2004.
VIII. Quick News and Wrap Up

Full-time Faculty Obligation For Fall ’04: Handout #8 was discussed and J. Miner clarified the faculty vacancy section.

Kirsch Center Groundbreaking Ceremony: J. Miner reminded the members of the groundbreaking ceremony January 28.