

Minutes of Academic Senate Meeting - 12/7/2011 12:10 PM in 451B

Present: Pieter de Haan, Hannah Chauvet, Jenny Lowood, Cleavon Smith, Juana Alicia Araiza, Barbara Des Rochers, Chuck Wollenberg, Siraj Omar, Katherine Kocel

1. Call to order
2. Approval of the minutes was unanimous.
3. Measure A: According VC. Sadiq Ikharo, the build out is scheduled to begin on January 16th.
4. Spring Semester Meeting time (BCC Academic Senate). We did discuss this briefly and decided to leave the meeting time at the same time - every other Wednesday at 12:10 PM in one of the 4th floor conference rooms.
5. Voluntary Transfers (Laney Resolution). We discussed this resolution but found that we could not pass it as is but would have to change the wording. The transfer issue brought up the topic of the very recent appointment of Linda Berry as permanent Vice President of Instruction at BCC to replace Krista Johns who is leaving imminently.
- 5a. We spent quite a lot of time discussion the appointment of Linda Berry by Chancellor Wise Allen as BCC's new Vice President of Instruction. The arbitrary process by which this appointment was made was disapproved of by all members of the BCC Academic Senate. Finally, we drafted the resolution seen below that Pieter said he would take to Chancellor Allen.

Resolution:

Whereas, the Berkeley City College Academic Senate acknowledges a lack of transparency and due process of shared governance in the decision to transfer college administrators.

Whereas, the BCC AS sees a trend in the use of the current financial crisis to circumvent processes recommended in accreditation standards for human resources.

Whereas, the BCC AS views as problematic the process of the District Office transferring administrators without due process of shared governance.

Resolved, BCC AS recommend that a clear and open shared governance process be used in the hiring and transferring of administrators in current and future instances.

Resolved, BCC AS recommend a moratorium on the transfers of non-interim administrators.

5b. We voted on the above resolution and it passed unanimously without abstentions.

6. Student Success Task Force (Alameda Resolution)

We discussed this, and decided that the Student Success Task Force Recommendations were flawed in many ways and needed some changes and more refining. I think we felt that we should give individual feedback on the online website reserved for that purpose.

8. Adjournment