



## Academic Senate Minutes

Wednesday, April 17, 2024 - 12:30 pm – 1:20pm (ROOM 421)

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*Berkeley City College’s mission is to promote student success, to provide our diverse community with educational opportunities, and to transform lives. The college achieves its mission through instruction, student support and learning resources which enable its enrolled students to earn associate degrees and certificates, and to attain college competency, careers, transfer, and skills for lifelong success.*

**Required Membership:** (Attended = marked with “X”, Partial Attendance “P”). **NOTE:** 9 Needed for Quorum

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Matthew Freeman, President Academic Senate (IP) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gabriel Martinez, Vice President Academic Senate (IP) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kelly Pernell, Secretary Academic Senate (IP) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Carolyn Martin - Proxi, Senator Arts and Cultural Studies <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pete DuBois, Senator Business/CIS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Joseph Bielanski, Senator Counseling (IP) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jenny Lowood, Senator English <input type="checkbox"/> Osa Kauffman, Senator ESOL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Melina Bersamin, Senator Social Sciences (IP) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jenny Yap, Senator Library (IP) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mark Rinker, Senator Mathematics (IP) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anne McCormick, Senator Modern Languages <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jenny Gough, American Sign Language (ASL) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mary Clarke-Miller, Senator MMART <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Joya Chavarin, Senator Part Time (IP) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Randy Yang, Senator Sciences (IP)
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**Guests:** Catherine Nichols (Curriculum), Ari Krupnick (Chair of Chairs), Jeff Sanceri (PFT president), Sejal (Executive Director PFT), Armando Franco (MESA), Tim Rose, Vanessa Phillips (Interpreter)

Agenda Item	Discussion	Follow-up Action	Decisions (Shared Agreement/Resolved or Unresolved?)
<b>Meeting called to order</b>	12:32pm		
<b>1. Approval of Agenda</b>	a. Motion to Approve Agenda (2 mins)		Moved by: Joseph B Seconded by: Joya C  Yes: 10 No: 0 Abstain: 0
<b>2. Approval of Minutes</b>	a. Motion to Approve Minutes – March 20 (3 mins)		Moved by: Joseph B Seconded by: Joya C  Yes: 11 No: 0 Abstain: 0  Look for typos and correct as noted.

<p><b>3. Action Items</b></p>	<p>a. Resolution on Equitable Access to Technology (10 mins)</p>		<p><b>a. Resolution on Equitable Access to Technology (10 mins)</b></p> <p><b>Link to Resolution:</b>  <a href="https://www.berkeleycitycollege.edu/senate/files/2024/04/Chromebook-and-Hotspots-Academic-Senate-Resolution.pdf">https://www.berkeleycitycollege.edu/senate/files/2024/04/Chromebook-and-Hotspots-Academic-Senate-Resolution.pdf</a></p> <p>We bring this to Senate as a resolution because we haven't gotten much response to the student need for this technology.</p> <p>Resolved, that the BCC Academic Senate urge the BCC Administration to develop a college plan for technology support to obtain Chromebooks or equivalent technology and Hot-Spot internet access for students;</p> <p>Resolved, that the BCC Academic Senate urge the BCC Administration and the Peralta Community College district to secure stable funding to ensure equitable access to Chromebooks and Hot-Spot internet access;</p> <p>Resolved, that the BCC Academic Senate urge the BCC Administration and the Peralta Community College district to develop an equitable technology distribution plan to lend out technology to the students with the greatest need.</p> <p>Moved by: Randy Y.  Seconded by: Joseph B.</p> <p>Discussion:  Should we really be using the word Chromebook as that may not be the chosen technology in the future?</p> <p>This will go to Roundtable. Will it be taken to District Technology Committee? It should.</p> <p>BCC Academic Senate reports to Roundtable, District Academic Senate, and the Board of Trustees.</p> <p>Yes: 13  No: 0  Abstain: 0</p> <p>Approved unanimously.</p>
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<p><b>4. Discussion and/or Information</b></p>	<p>a.Update from DAS (5 mins) b. Reminder of Senate &amp; Chair’s Election (5 mins)</p>	<p>Please use COA's recent updated draft on Class Cancellations, update it to reflect information from BCC to make it our own resolution. (Mary Clarke-Miller will help.) Put on Agenda for May 1st as an action item.</p>	<p><b>a.Update from DAS (5 mins)</b></p> <p>Re Academic Probation, formerly incarcerated students, and the language we use around that.</p> <p>Chancellor Gilkerson will attend the DAS in May to address and talk about plans for strategic and collaborative enrollment management strategies we should consider and do.</p> <p>PFT President Jeff Sanceri presented a draft resolution from COA regarding Class Cancellations.</p> <p>(Ask Jeff/Matt for this draft resolution).</p> <p>We have classes that are cancelled, reformed as late-start, changed to online/hybrid, etc.</p> <p>We share this idea with all of the local Academic Senates in order to present as a DAS resolution.</p> <p>Students are adversely affected by class cancellations. It hurts the colleges, too.</p> <p>Goal: please pass this resolution at local senate by the end of the school year and present to the Peralta Board of Trustees in May.</p> <p>We have a new chancellor and want to give her every opportunity to be successful. This resolution is not meant to be contentious. It is meant as a message of unity with faculty and students. This is something we want to address and make progress on.</p> <p>Please use COA's recent updated draft, update it to reflect information from your college to make it your own resolution.</p> <p>Mary Clarke Miller, our BCC PFT rep, will gladly help draft a BCC resolution.</p> <p><b>b. Reminder of Senate &amp; Chair’s Election (5 mins)</b></p> <p>We completed our nominations and have launched the ballot. It is an online ballot.</p>
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			<p>ASL and ESOL did not submit nominations for Senate representation. These departments are encouraged to use the Write-In option on the online ballot.</p> <p>Deadline to vote April 26th at 11:59pm</p> <p>Chairs election results will happen May 1st. Senate will announce at this time as well.</p>
<p><b>5. Standing Items</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Assessment Committee Report</li> <li>b. Curriculum Committee Report</li> <li>c. Chairs Council Report</li> <li>d. Professional Development Committee Report</li> <li>e. Distance Education Committee Report</li> <li>f. CE Committee Report</li> <li>g. Affordable Education Materials Report</li> <li>h. FASTT</li> <li>i. Teaching and Learning Center Report</li> <li>j. District Academic Senate Report</li> <li>k. OPUS Award: Faculty Honors &amp; Acknowledgement</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Chairs Council Update (10 mins)</li> <li>b. CE Committee Update (10 mins)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>b. CE Committee Update (10 mins)</li> </ul> <p>Make a priority at next meeting</p>	<p><b>a. Chairs Council Update (10 mins)</b></p> <p>Randy, Mary Clarke Miller, Jenny Yap, Randy formed a group to review and revise the prioritization process for new faculty hires.</p> <p>New updates: Chairs not asking for a position will get to rank the positions that have been requested. It used to be all chairs ranking.</p> <p>We may do away with the rubrics because it's too complicated of an evaluation, especially in the data rubric. Some data elements are problematic and skewed.</p> <p>We will still use data and make use of a written submission.</p> <p>Rather than just taking the score that people come up with and averaging them, the scores will be a starting point for discussion and determining the prioritization.</p> <p>The final ranking itself will allow for ties within it. We will allow for two positions to rank in the second position, for example.</p> <p>It is the college president's discretion to initiate hires from these tied positions. In the past, the college president has followed the prioritization determined by the faculty.</p> <p>Hopefully, the May 10th Chairs meeting we will get approval of this new process.</p> <p>What are the specific criteria to be used for rankings? The criteria for ranking will no longer be dictated by a score, but rather the written submission and rationale for the college need for a particular position.</p> <p>The initial ranking by chairs not asking for a position will be a starting point for discussion.</p>

		<p>If there are 4 prompts in the written submission, perhaps there could be a 1 - 4 scoring rubric to help those making the initial ranking provide an informed decision. It could inform a robust discussion after the initial ranking.</p> <p><b>b. CE Committee Update (10 mins)</b></p> <p>Tabled to next meeting</p>
<b>6. Public Comment/Announcements</b>	OPEN (5 mins)	<p>Please review the State Academic Senate Resolutions. Please send email to <a href="mailto:gmartinez@peralta.edu">gmartinez@peralta.edu</a> by Friday, April 19th to give input on how we should vote on specific resolutions.</p> <p>Tomorrow, Thursday, April 18th, in the auditorium, LBL will present information for non-STEM majors to enter the STEM field.</p>
<b>Meeting adjourned</b>	1:25pm	
<b>Next Meeting:</b>	May 1, 2024	