Riverside City College Academic Senate

September 19, 2022 • 3:00 - 5:00 PM • Zoom / Hall of Fame

3:00 I. Call to Order – 3:00 pm

Roll Call

Academic Senate Officers

President: Mark Sellick

Vice President: Kevin Mayse, Music Secretary-Treasurer: Mary Legner

Department Senators

Applied Technology: Paul O'Connell

Art: Jeff Soto

Behavioral Science: Marc Wolpoff Business Admin/IST: Mark Lehr Chemistry: Stacie Eldridge Communication Studies: Cliff Ruth

Communication Studies: Cliff Ruth Cosmetology: Peter Westbrook Counseling: Scott Brown/Sal Soto Dance and Theatre: Jodi Julian

Early Childhood Education: Emily Philippsen

Economics/Geography/Political Science: Kendralyn Webber

English: Christine Sandoval

History/Humanities/Philosophy: Daniel Borses

Kinesiology: Jim McCarron

Library: Sally Ellis

Life Sciences: Lisa Thompson-Eagle

Mathematics: Evan Enright

Nursing: Lee Nelson

Physical Science: James Cheney World Languages: Rosemarie Sarkis

Associate Faculty Senator

Lindsay Weiler

Ex-Officio Senators

EPOC: Vacant ASC: Jacquie Lesch

Teaching and Learning LC: Star Taylor (not present) Student Access and Success LC: Carolyn Rosales

Resource Development and Administrative Services LC: Tucker Amidon (not present)

Government, Effectiveness, Mission, and Quality LC: Wendy McKeen

Curriculum: Kelly Douglass

RCCD Faculty Association

Rhonda Taube

Administrative Representatives

College President: Ramalingum Vurdien VP Academic Affairs: Lynn Wright VP Business Services: Vacant

VP Planning and Development: Kristine DiMemmo

VP Student Services: FeRita Carter

ASRCC Representative

ASRCC President Elisabeth Etchell

Recorder of Minutes

Danielle Elizondo

3:05 II. Approval of the Agenda – 3:01 pm

 Motion to mend the agenda to add an item under five, C for Curriculum Chair report M/S/C: O'Connell/ Westbrook, accepted by consent.

3:05 III. Approval of the Minutes from May 2, May 16, June 6, and August 29 – 3:02 pm

Accepted by consent.

3:10 IV. Open Hearing – 3:02 pm

A. Philippsen- Announces and congratulates the RCC Children's Center for recent reaccreditation through NAEYC.

3:25 V. Officer and Liaison Reports- 3:05 pm

- A. President-
 - The State Chancellor has stepped down and become Lead of the California Futures and Daisy Gonzales is sitting in as interim. Both President and VP of ASCCC are part of the committee search for new State Chancellor.
 - President Sellick sent out a message regarding AB 928 and AB 1111. Please
 use the links provided in the message to raise concerns, give insight and
 respond to these assembly initiatives.
 - AB 1705 is now on Newsom's desk as of September 6th. Implementation should be before us soon and we will be talking about this as it occurs.
 - ASCCC Area D meeting to be held on October 5th.
 - ASCCC Plenary to be held on November 3-5 in Sacramento. Faculty interested in attending must reach out to President Sellick.
 - President Sellick mentions the feedback of stakeholders regarding recent Board Committee Meetings and his goal is to make sure all stakeholder groups are part of the Strategic Planning Process so that when initiatives come to the Board, they are given proper consideration by all relevant bodies.
 - District is hiring a Civil Rights Investigator who will look into alleged transgressions of Civil Rights Law.
 - First Q&A session for Strategic Planning Prioritization took place last Tuesday. It is incumbent for faculty serving on leadership councils to attend prioritization meetings, read documents and give proper consideration of college initiatives to be prioritized.
 - LatinX Heritage month- special events occurring all month, President Sellick detailed the event calendar
- B. Vice President-
 - No Report.
- C. Secretary Treasurer-
 - No report.
- D. Curriculum Chair-

- Deadline to launch courses and programs to appear in 23-24 catalog is Friday September 30.
- Please visit the curriculum website for support at websites.rcc.edu/curriculum
- Douglas highlights 2 resources on the website- handbook part 1 and part 2, core review tool.

E. RCCD Faculty Association-

- FA initiatives were communicated via email to RIv-All and Dariush goes over the major issues which include:
 - Negotiating a progressive discipline process
 - Demanding course caps are converted to pre-COVID limits
 - Unacceptable Board Committee Meeting structure FA is asking Senate to take the lead on this matter.
- Conversation on these matters followed for a total of 30 minutes.

F. College President-

- College campus is looking more normal with student engagement.
- Highlights upcoming Hispanic Heritage Month events.
- Congratulates Early Childhood Development Department on their reaccreditation.
- Health and wellness center is seeking volunteers for suicide prevention muralplease contact Dr. Carter if interested.
- Basic Needs and Recourse Center is open.
- District target for enrollment has been met and with late start classes, we will be over target.
- District Vice Chancellors will each visit the college campus once per semester

G. Director of Athletics-

 Peyton Williams thanks the faculty and staff for their support and highlights student success and GPA during Covid. This is followed with an introduction of himself along with department goals.

H. ASRCC Representative-

• Elisabeth Etchell- Hispanic Heritage month events, Club Rush success, Homecoming next week with events all week leading up the Saturday's game. Please see ASRCC website for event info.

4:00 VI. New Business- 4:09 pm

- A. Motion to extend provisions of AB 361 M/S/C: Ellis/Weiler, accepted by consent.
- B. Dr. Inez Moore gives the first read of the Student Equity Plan Executive Summary and highlights the relevant sections while going over the details of the current plan for year 1 (22-23).
 - Senators are urged to bring this back to departments for perusal as Dr. Moore will bring this back for a second reading on October 3rd.
- C. 2000 series of Board Policies and Administrative Procedures were sent to Senators. Sellick is urging Senators to review and bring perusal back to meeting on October 3rd.
- D. Update on DSPC- updating the structure, president will provide updates and hopes to pass in the next meeting. Documents have been sent out to Senators.
- E. RCC President search committee-

 Motion to add Leadership Council Chairs from T&L and SAS to join the Academic Senate President and VP in the President Search Committee M/S/C: Ruth/Westbrook. Conversation followed and it was determined that the Chancellor ultimately holds the final decision as to who serves on the hiring committee. O'Connell proposed an amendment to add a 5th committee member to represent CTE, passed with 16 yeses and 1 abstention (Enright).

