

Riverside City College Academic Senate
October 16, 2023 • 3:00 - 5:00 PM • Hall of Fame

3:00 I. Call to Order

Roll Call

Academic Senate Officers

President: Jo Scott-Coe
Vice President: Ajené Wilcoxson
Secretary-Treasurer: Micherri Wiggs

Department Senators

Applied Technology: Patrick Scullin
Art: Will Kim
Behavioral Science: Eddie Perez
Business Admin/IST: Skip Berry (not present)
Chemistry: Leo Truttmann
Communication Studies: Star Romero
Cosmetology: Peter Westbrook (not present)
Counseling: Sal Soto
Dance and Theatre: Todd Faux
School of Education & Teacher Preparation: Emily Philippsen (not present)
Economics/Geography/Political Science: Dariush Haghghat (not present)
English: Christine Sandoval
History/Philosophy/Humanities/Ethnic Studies: Daniel Borses
Kinesiology: Jim McCarron
Library: Sally Ellis
Life Sciences: Lisa Thompson-Eagle
Mathematics: Evan Enright
Music: Steve Mahpar
Nursing: Lee Nelson
Physical Science: James Cheney
World Languages: Araceli Calderón (not present)

Associate Faculty Senator

Lindsay Weiler

Ex-Officio Senators

Teaching and Learning LC: Greg Russell
ASC: Jacquie Lesch
EPOC: Ajené Wilcoxson (interim)
Government, Effectiveness, Mission, and Quality LC: Wendy McKeen
Resource Development and Administrative Services LC: Patrick Scullin
Student Access and Success LC: Vacant
Curriculum: Kelly Douglass (not present)
Parliamentarian: Sal Soto

RCCD Faculty Association

Mike Chavez

Administrative Representatives

College President: Claire Oliveros
VP Academic Affairs: Lynn Wright

VP Business Services: Vacant
VP Planning and Development: Kristine DiMemmo
VP Student Services: FeRita Carter (not present)

ASRCC Representative

Jennifer Shaw

Recorder of Minutes

Danielle Elizondo

Guests

3:00 II. Approval of the Agenda

- M/S/C: (Perez/Borses) Approved by consent.

3:01 III. Approval of the Minutes

- October 2, 2023- M/S/C: (Borses/Faux) Approved by consent.

3:02 IV. Public Comments

- No public comment.

A moment of silence was observed in memory of Rosemarie Sarkis, faculty member and long-time RCCAS senator, who passed away on October 9, 2023.

3:03 V. Officer and Liaison Reports

A. President-

- President Scott-Coe has a meeting scheduled with President Oliveros, CSEA, and FA to clarify representation on our VP, Business Services hiring committee.
- New bookstore vendor contract to be voted on at BOT tomorrow, 10/17. Questions can be taken to BOT tomorrow, if desired. Informal campus walkthrough with new vendor, Barnes & Noble, to take place on 10/18. Barnes & Noble representatives will be invited to visit DLC on 11/9 for Q&A. Senators may attend or send questions with department chairs.
- Tentative date for IETTC presentation at RCCAS is 12/4. Each senate will have a scheduled presentation.
- At the Chancellor's forum on 10/6, the Chancellor spoke about how we need to be thoughtful about how we talk about efficiency and effectiveness. "It is possible to be efficiently wrong."
- Visited Curriculum Committee on 10/10 to send greetings from Academic Senate and thank them for their work. Curriculum is tentatively scheduled to present semester updates to RCCAS on 12/4.
- Attending upcoming Area D ASCCC meeting on 10/27 as your rep. The packet of resolutions will be shared once it's received. This will be in advance of the plenary session.
- Liberatory design concept- Reminder to attend to healing. Healing is capacity building.

B. Vice President-

- Strategic Planning Prioritization voting will open today or tomorrow, 10/16 or 10/17 and will close on 10/26. All Leadership Councils will meet on 10/27 to present results. 100% voting participation is encouraged!

- If you're not sure who your LC rep is, email GEMQ Chair, Wendy.McKeen@rcc.edu.
 - Prioritization process represents a department's needs and their prioritized perspective and how it is crucial for faculty to look at this from a macro view and make decisions that will benefit both our students and the college. It is important for leadership council representatives to engage in discussions with department faculty from their respective divisions. And its only through this that VOTING faculty can gain a comprehensive understanding of how to prioritize these positions.
- C. Secretary-Treasurer-
- Pathways to Equity conference (free) sponsored by CCCCCO during spring break, 4/8 and 4/9 at the Anaheim Marriott. Theme is "Equity in Action: Advancing Equity, Inspiring Change." Wiggs will find out if this event is SPR or FLEX worthy and report back.
 - Faculty Recognition Committee has funds that may be turned into endowed scholarship. A handful of faculty still contribute monthly to this fund.
 - Attended an RCC water polo game. Everyone is encouraged to attend at least one RCC sporting event during fall and spring semester to help strengthen the relationship between faculty and athletics.
 - Collegiality Mixer happening this Wednesday 10/18 in Glenn Hunt Center.
 - Reminder- Senate challenge photos are due 12/1.
 - We have back to back RCCAS meetings in November, 11/6 and 11/13, due to Thanksgiving holiday. Only 3 meetings left for the calendar year. December meeting should include brief end of term reports from each strategic planning leadership council plus curriculum and IETTC. We will re-set on rotations for reports as we move into the spring.
- D. RCCD Faculty Association-
- VP Business Services search and hiring committee has been rearranged to increase the number of faculty members on the committee in effort of balancing the composition - thank you, Dr. Oliveros.
 - The revised version of AP 6120 (A) is not up to date on the District website. It was revised is 2017 and 2020 however the 2013 version is currently posted.
 - Benefits Committee has not had a chance to meet and this is problematic since faculty are not getting the information needed to prepare for early retirement incentive. The biggest concern is in regards to health coverage. Folks aren't informed that they must be enrolled in the PPO by time they are 55 in order to have coverage until age 65. Kaiser and HMO will not carry over to retirement age.
- E. College President-
- Expressed appreciation of support and collaboration in her newness and thanked the senate for the opportunity to sit and report in senate meetings.
 - Building off of liberatory framework: What are our guiding principles that we collectively agree upon? Our college can be a space to reset and re-center hopes especially in face of recent tragedy in Palestine and Israel.

- Associate Faculty Recognition Week 10/23-10/27. Each day an outstanding associate faculty member will be announced. Reception on 10/25 in Glenn Hunt to celebrate all associate faculty.
 - RCC was awarded a Juvenile Justice Grant on 10/6 to support Rising Scholars.
 - We are in full compliance of AB705 and AB1705- Certification was received on 10/13.
 - We completed the approval and acceptance process for Nursing Expansion Grant with U.S. Department of Labor.
- F. ASRCC Representative-
- Halloween activities and events start on 10/23- pumpkin carving contest, saga drag show, costume contest with gift card prizes, Halloweentown.
 - LASSE queer politician panel on 10/19 at 2pm, Kane 140.
 - Commented on the consultant group surveys- it's preferred to preview the questions ahead of time and have time on weekends to complete the surveys.

3:51 VI. Committee or Council Updates and Reports

- A. Interim faculty co-chair Ajené Wilcoxson provided a report with updates about the first meeting of EPOC which motivated questions from various senators. Question response are included in the report below-(information)
- The meeting started off with conversation based on community and LCs were given the challenge of how to create community on campus with classified, faculty, and management.
 - GEMQ co-chairs announced the calendars for 2023-2025 strategic plan which will be discussed at the next meeting.
 - GEMQ will be asking for feedback from senate on vision, mission and values.
 - Brandon Owashi, chair of Methods and Metrics, is working on students sense of belonging.
 - Assessment Committee shares there is currently no district process to assess Institutional Learning Outcomes (ILO)'s.
 - Dr. DiMemmo is the interim co-chair for ARDAS.
 - "What's the Password?" - EMLI classified put together a case study focused on student experiences and challenges with more than 17 different logins they have to navigate through at the college.
 - Marketing campaign should be ready soon.
 - Narcan training coming soon.
 - Working on identifying a co-chair for SAS.
 - TL is still discussing prioritization.
 - PERC- first Men of Color all day event happening on 12/1.
 - Spring FLEX planning is underway and will be equity focused.
 - Clarification that 8 hours of equity FLEX is required this year.
 - Second reading of midterm report will come through senate.
- B. GEMQ faculty co-chair Wendy McKeen presented an overview of the draft of the College Vision Statement, Mission Statement, and Tiger Pride values for review and discussion-(first read)
- No changes were made to Tiger Pride Values.
 - The document was drafted over the course of two meetings.

- Wendy McKeen will send a copy of the draft via Riv-All which will include the QR code to provide feedback.
- All feedback is appreciated and GEMQ will use the feedback to make further revisions (no later than 11/17) and share with EPOC, RCCAS, then District Senate. Senate should see this again in February 2024.
- Please share with your respective areas.

4:12 VII. Ongoing Business

A. President Scott-Coe, VP Ajené Wilcoxson, and Secretary-Treasurer Wiggs led RCCAS through a second review and discussion of RCCAS bylaws (second read)

- Changes from first read-
 - Language changed in public comment to take care of a group issue
 - Changes to the standing committees chair election process and senate meeting reporting process.
 - ECE changed to School of Education & Teacher Preparation
 - History, Humanities, Philosophy Department name changed to History, Philosophy, Humanities, and Ethnic Studies.
 - Curriculum reports changed to as needed instead of monthly.
- Soto suggests adding language to say there should be at least 1 regulatory LC report in written or oral form per semester.
- Weiler commented on part time faculty restrictions when it comes to serving on LC and the language which prohibits PT faculty from voting. PT faculty should have representation on accreditation and strategic planning. This lack of representation should be addressed.
- Will bring back a revised/clean document for third read.

4:24 VIII. New Business

A. Professor Sally Ellis from Library provided a brief overview of library resource materials related to permalinks and ADA, and clarified the difference between “OER” and “Inclusive Access” materials, and general library tools (information)

- These materials are provided in the agenda packet. A few key points that were brought up in conversation:
 - Use permalink icons (librarians can provide permalinks)
 - Do not upload pdf articles in your class.
 - Must link to our library materials so we know how many students are using certain materials.
 - Certain websites may not be ADA compliant so faculty must use diligence and work with DE to choose best content.
 - Use QR codes for purchase requests and digitizing books.
 - To digitize textbooks- give to library and take out of print circulation, put file up, and list copyright compliance.
 - Digitized copies do not qualify for ZTC. Only simultaneous access of the book qualifies for ZTC.
 - Warning to beware of “Inclusive Access” terminology when used by corporate vendors. Inclusive Access (also called “equitable access” by some publishers/vendors) is not what it sounds like and has many disadvantages for our students.

B. Ratification of new and ongoing appointments (action)

- Faculty co-chair for SAS- still vacant
 - Can we elect someone who is not currently on the committee? Follow up is needed to clarify on this.
- District Enrollment Management Committee- Motion to ratify Scott Herrick as interim District Enrollment Management Committee representative through end of 23 Fall semester M/S/C: (Thompson/Eagle/Nelson) Approved.

Motion to extend the meeting by 5 minutes M/S/C: (Romero/Perez) Approved.

4:57 IX. Open Hearing

- Reminder- Student parents now have priority registration which ends this Thursday 10/19. Students must complete the survey to be eligible. (See handouts and emails for more info).
- Landis haunted maze opens on 10/19.

5:00 X. Learn, Share, Do

- Associate Faculty Recognition week is 10/23-10/27.
- Share senate bylaws with your departments.
- Halloween events on campus 10/23/-10/27.
- Remind faculty to give feedback on mission, vision, and values via QR code in email.
- Remind faculty to use permalinks for library resources.
- Remind faculty when they are revising COR's to send list of books to our librarians.
- Attend an RCC athletic event.
- Encourage student parents to complete survey for priority registration.
- Consult with division representatives before strategic planning prioritization voting ends on 10/26.
- Switch to PP0 before turning 55.
- Inclusive Access/ Equitable Access is not as great for our students as it seems.
- 8 hours of equity related FLEX is required this year. Consider pathways to Equity conf!

5:02 XI. Adjourn

- M/S/C: (Romero/Weiler)

Glossary:

M/S/C = Motion Seconded and Carried