

Modesto Junior College
College Council Meeting Minutes
April 18, 2011

Present: Mike Adams, Julie Berg, George Boodrookas, Jillian Daly, Rosanne Faughn, Carmen Fernandez, Wendy Griffiths-Bender, Gaither Loewenstein, Don Low, Adrienne Peek, Joan Van Kuren, Karen Walters Dunlap, Barbara Wells, Adam Webber (ASMJC), Sam Pierstorff (Faculty Consultant to the Board)

Absent:

Guests: Lorena Dorn

Business

1. Review of Minutes

Action Item

The minutes of March 21, 2011 were approved with thumbs up vote.

2. Review of Agenda

Gaither Loewenstein reviewed the agenda with members.

PRESIDENT'S OFFICE

Gaither Loewenstein introduced Lorena Dorn, the new Dean of Counseling and Student Services.

Gaither announced the accreditation workshop on Wednesday, April 20 from 3:00 to 6:00 pm. Dr. Barbara Beno, president of the Accrediting Commission for Community & Junior Colleges (ACCJC) will be giving the workshop to the Board of Trustees in this open board meeting. He added that it would be a good idea to have our assessment workgroup, incoming Senate president, the current Senate president, and tri-chairs, if identified, in attendance. Karen Walters Dunlap added that a number of people have been invited but an official list is not available yet.

INSTRUCTION

3. Accreditation/Institutional Effectiveness Committee (AIE)

Karen Walters Dunlap reported that AIE has been asked to host an Accrediting Commission for Community & Junior Colleges (ACCJC) workshop in November at the college. She is working on identifying a location to accommodate 100-150 people. The college was just notified that its annual financial report has to be done. The annual assessment workshop is being planned and a comprehensive assessment report will be reviewed.

4. Enrollment

Karen Walters Dunlap reported that the college is maybe 10 FTEs less than last year. The college will not have an early start summer, other than a few CTE classes; otherwise, summer will start in June with regular summer session.

Gaither commended faculty for the increase in work they have done toward promoting student access. He added that the college is serving more students with fewer faculty, looking at WSCH to FTEF.

5. Student Success Advisory Committee Task Force

Karen Walters Dunlap distributed revised Draft 2 from input received. She requested discussion with the goal of finalizing the document for the fall semester. An ASMJC student representative was added to the committee. It was pointed out that the membership was the issue rather than the charge of the task force.

Mike Adams requested that under the charge of the task force (item #2) that best practices be prefaced by *evidence based* and subject to approval by the Academic Senate. He requested adding an item #5 to read: *Facilitate shared governance on relevant issues*. He felt membership should also be an Academic Senate appointment.

The following committee membership titles were corrected:

Representative from College Resources *Research* and Planning
Dean of *Overseeing* Matriculation

Action Item

This item was tabled to the June 20th meeting.

STUDENT SERVICES

COLLEGE ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

6. Planning & Budget Committee (PBC)

Gaither Loewenstein informed College Council that on June 23rd, he will be sitting down with the Planning & Budget Committee members. Each PBC member will be asked to bring a colleague to the meeting. All PBC members will have a data binder for dialogue on how the data relates to our goals and vision and allocation of resources whether in good times or bad. Gaither emphasized that the idea is to get an earlier start on 2012/13 budget matters and in a more participatory way. He added to encourage folks who are invited to come to this.

7. Measure E

Gaither Loewenstein reported meeting with the folks from the Library regarding swing space when the Library is being remodeled. As a result of that meeting, the library staff will be housed in the lower floor of the Morris Building eliminating all but three portables that currently reside in Pirates Village when Founders Hall reopens.

8. Budget

No report.

9. Facilities/Capital Construction

No report.

CONSTITUENT REPORTS

Academic Senate

Mike Adams reported that the Senate successfully passed the equivalency process resolution which is now really super tight with the changes incorporated. The Senate reviewed the Student Success Advisory Committee's work. The Senate is working on a new resolution whereby PBC would assess viability of programs. There will be a second reading this Thursday. The Senate is also working on the accreditation edits to the report for suggestions.

YFA

Jillian Daly reported having a very busy week. She attended the union conference where YFA won the annual broken heart award for the union facing the toughest situation. Some districts such as Pasadena are hiring 20 faculty. The conference was a three day event where good information was gathered. The layoff hearings were held this week. The hearings were tough and long and she learned a lot. The hearings led up to the Board meeting where YFA presented their alternative solutions. Both lawyers agreed to delay a decision on the faculty riffs and are looking at the decision of the law judge by May 18th. The Board has until May 25th to approve or disapprove and it now becomes a waiting game.

This Friday is the last scheduled negotiation meeting of the semester. Work groups have been tentatively agreed to for the summer. YFA executive positions have been reelected, with candidates running unopposed.

CSEA

Rosanne Faughn reported that classified employees proposed to be laid off are currently being notified.

Student Services

Don Low reported that Karen Walters Dunlap will talk to Student Services about SB40 and other than that, there is nothing to report.

IAC

George Boodrookas stated that he has nothing different to report at this time.

ASMJC

Adam Webber reported that ASMJC is preparing for Cram Night with faculty, Library staff, and

Wendy Byrd. ASMJC will serve food at certain times during the evening. Adam thanked everyone at College Council for letting the students play a role. ASMJC will possibly have a retreat in May.

College Management Council (CMC)

Gaither Loewenstein stated that the management team has taken some pretty deep cuts and are going to be down at least ten positions. He added that this is a stressful time for them now and he would like to commend them for holding up as well as they have and supporting him.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FUTURE AGENDA

1. Report Out from the Student Success Advisory Committee Task Force – Revisit at the June 20th meeting

ADJOURNMENT