

- I. Rebecca Baird called the meeting to order 8:02 a.m.
- II. Roll Call, Introduction of New Members, Proxy Members, and Invited Guests:  
Voting Members: Rebecca Baird (President); Sarah Rector (Vice-President, Fine & Applied Arts); Rickelle Syrdahl (Secretary, Natural Science); Jim Carson (Career Education), Lupe Guillen (Health Careers), Dave Kavern (Kinesiology), Joy Lawrence (Language Arts), Vira Lozano (Social Science), Miguel Ruelas (Math), Ana Ceballos (Student Services), Jacqueline Escareno Salas (Adjunct Faculty Representative)  
Advisory/Non-Voting Members: Robert Simpkins (Past President); Joel Wiens (PC Foundation), Dustin Acres (Curriculum), Joy Lawrence (CCA/Distance Education Committee) Melissa Long (Outcomes);  
Guests: none  
Absent: Ben Makino (OER/ZTC)
- III. The agenda was approved \*(M-S-P, Joel Wiens, Sarah Rector).
- IV. The 11/17/23 minutes were approved \*(M-S-P, Rickelle Syrdahl, Dave Kavern )
- V. Public Comments
  1. None
- VI. Discussion/Action Items:
  1. Summer Schedule Alignment
    - a. There was discussion on how much or little we should limit options; we should keep students as focus, make sure faculty know options and limitations, and that students know what they are signing up for
    - b. Questions: How many from last summer were Rising Scholars, online, what were the numbers in classes, what was the success in different slots.
    - c. Discuss with Divisions
  2. Academic Year 2025/26 Calendar and Spring Break
    - a. We have been correlating our Spring Break with PUSD and BSD. Their calendars are not out yet.
    - b. There was a request to survey students about their preference; talk to divisions.
  3. Spring Senate Meeting Calendar
    - a. Regular meeting date is during Spring Recess and Rebecca is presenting at a conference on April 12, so we agreed to meet on March 29<sup>th</sup> instead.
  4. Moving BC Coaches to Management Positions
    - a. Discussion occurred. Several individuals indicated possible issues associated with this. Other individuals felt this was a creative way to keep valued individuals.
  5. Artificial Intelligence Discussion/Possible Workgroup

- a. See who is interested or having problems with AI. Maybe get together more of a community of practice group. Perhaps we could plan a best practices flex activity for fall.
- b. Talk to Divisions
- 6. ASCCC Final Resolution Packet
  - a. Check out resolutions and share with Division.
- 7. Additional Senate Advisory Members
  - a. We added language to Constitution and Bylaws providing for more advisory members; student, classified?, dual enrollment liaison?, Good to codify and expand. These individuals would not be required to come to each meeting and can use zoom.
  - b. Take back to divisions for discussion
- 8. Senate President Election Results
  - a. Rebecca Baird was elected with 98.21% of the votes. 80% voted.
- 9. PTK Honors Program Task Force
  - a. Discussed this at last meeting; Bob Simpkins, Miguel Ruelas, and Rebecca Baird have said yes. Still unconfirmed on Sherie Burgess, Kendra Haney, and someone from Student services.
- 10. McKenzie Scott Funds Allocation Process
  - a. Rebecca met with Dr. Habib earlier this week. Dr. Habib shared information from listening sessions, jam boards etc. that occurred over Zoom during Covid. PowerPoint will be sent. Sounds like all monies are divided up and moving forward already and are based on what the listening sessions prioritized.
  - b. Presidents Circle Funds of \$150,000 in \$10,000 a year increments for use by the President on food for meetings etc.
- 11. Possible Fire Drill in Spring Semester
  - a. Priorities: no surprises, training, let know ahead of time and the sooner we get the date the better.
- 12. New Faculty Position Request Ranking Process
  - a. Prioritization as a supplemental tool, discussion after and blocked ranking.
  - b. More clarity on how named (e.g. replacement or division priority).

## VII. Reports

- 1. Senate President – turn in book orders; IEPI is seeking faculty reps for dual enrollment and for cultural competency if anyone is interested; the district is 54 over FON so will stay at status quo (no new positions), but Tom thinks we'll see a huge increase for next year (Fall 2025); going over Board Policies and so should start coming to Senate next semester; started Administrative Unit reviews; the Technical Service Librarian at BC is retiring and not sure if will be replaced, if not will impact all colleges; concerns over Pathfinder name for Career Center were brought to College Council, will be focus groups on name before finalized, same with Multi-cultural center; two job fairs for faculty hiring January 20, 2024 in Los Angeles and January 27, 2024 in San Francisco, would like 2-3 PC attendees at each.

2. Curriculum – DEI stuff ongoing, a few courses have not gone through that should have so check with Divisions.
3. Distance Education – trying to find funding to keep POKR going and looking at success comparison to face-to-face starting next semester.
4. Outcomes – schedule Outcomes Fest for spring and make sure all divisions have a rep on the committee.
5. Equivalency – none
6. OER/ZTC – We’ve received a ZTC Acceleration grant for the Music degree - \$200,000 and will need to coordinate with other grantees.
7. CE – none
8. Fine and Applied Arts – none
9. Health Careers – none
10. Kinesiology – Kaija Ambriz is doing well at UNLV working with management on the women’s basketball team.
11. Language Arts - none
12. Mathematics – none
13. Natural Sciences - none
14. Social Sciences – none
15. Student Services – none
16. Adjunct - there were questions on the adjunct faculty evaluation timeline, they were directed to CCA.
17. CCA - none
18. Guided Pathways – working on two main areas – 1) outreach to high school students (want to reach sooner) and 2) Ensure Learning Plan – creating implementation plan.
19. PC Foundation – mentioned: choir program; number of music majors, art gallery and Jim Entz show. Swap meet discussion and trying to encourage faculty to go and mention entrance fees go to scholarships.

VIII. Future Agenda Items

- a. none

IX. Adjourn: 9:29 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rickelle Syrdahl, Secretary

*\*In consideration of the Brown Act, Items considered to be part of routine procedural business or that incur a unanimous vote have been determined to not require delineation of votes.*