Porterville College Academic Senate Minutes: 3/08/24

- I. Rebecca Baird called the meeting to order at 8:04 a.m.
- II. Roll Call, Introduction of New Members, Proxy Members, and Invited Guests: <u>Voting Members</u>: 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); Marely Wynn (Adjunct Faculty Representative) <u>Advisory/Non-Voting Members</u>: Robert Simpkins (Past President); Dustin Acres (Curriculum); Joy Lawrence (CCA/Distance Education Committee); Melissa Long (Outcomes); <u>Guests: none</u> Absent: Joel Wiens (PC Foundation); Ben Makino (OER/ZTC)
- III. The agenda was approved *(M-S-P, Joy Lawrence, Lupe Guillen).
- IV. The 2/23/24 minutes were approved *(M-S-P, Dave Kavern, Lupe Guillen)
- V. Public Comments 1. None
- VI. Discussion/Action Items:
 - 1. New Senate Advisory Members
 - a. Samuel Perez, Classified Staff Representative; Matthew Moreno, Student Representative.
 - b. No objections and so affirmed.
 - 2. Letter of Support for Modern Policing B.A. Degree
 - a. Move to approve the letter of support *(M-S-P, Lupe Guillen, Jim Carson)
 - 3. KCCD Climate Survey Report
 - a. Senate went through the PowerPoint slide by slide and discussed.
 - 4. Distinguished Student Awards

a. Ceremony is April 26th, at 5:00pm. all prepped. Division Chairs have received list of graduating students. Names due March 25th including Scholar of the Year. Division Chairs should send names to Rebecca.

5. Accessing Offices After Hours

a. Adjuncts can receive a key card, but would need to put in a request each semester in order to keep it active. Faculty should go through the Dean and the Dean actually makes the request. Hope to see an email coming out soon.

6. Fall Fire Drill

a. Cameron is gone, Leo is taking over his role and is just coming up to speed on what faculty would like. Faculty feel the beginning of the semester is better. Discussions are occurring about whether a Tuesday or Wednesday would be best and if they should do it in different chunks of campus. Seems like there would be an advantage to everyone at once to find issues. An email should go out before to explain the process. Maybe we could do a quick Flex run-through, so we really know what we are doing?

VII. Reports

- Senate President We are posting a Dual Enrollment-only Math position and a 1year temporary COF Welding position; Rebecca met the new Chancellor at a BC event Thursday night; Commencement preparations continue including an updated faculty list for the program and two readers; Senators are invited to view FacilitySoft software at Enrollment Management on Monday at 3:00; working on updating Senate sub-committee webpages; The faculty directory is updated and will be updated on the webpage; The new Chancellor may visit PC on April 24th; Accreditation and ISER are coming up and Senate will need to review a draft before the final vote goes to College Council.
- 2. Curriculum Working on the catalog to be finalized today.
- 3. Distance Education AI detector has been reinstated in Turnitin.com
- 4. Outcomes Be working on our Outcomes.
- 5. Equivalency none
- 6. OER/ZTC See attached document
- 7. Honor's Program Met yesterday and talked with some Cerro Coso faculty who are involved in their Honor's Program to get some ideas.
- 8. Career Education none
- 9. Fine and Applied Arts New art gallery showing continues.
- 10. Health Careers none
- 11. Kinesiology In the process of hiring a new Women's Basketball coach.
- 12. Language Arts Speakers on the 4th and 23rd
- 13. Mathematics none
- 14. Natural Sciences Outcomes Fest today.
- 15. Social Sciences none
- 16. Student Services PC Connection on April 10th and 11th, 4-8 p.m. with 451 RSVPs.
- 17. Adjunct Faculty none
- 18. CCA none
- 19. Classified none
- 20. Guided Pathways Met Wednesday and raised the issue of having a Welcome Day planning work group, which is now calendared for every week. Reaching out for our Ensure Learning Plan to find out about things people are already doing in areas in the plan that might be beneficial to others. We are also trying to create a webpage with a master calendar of all college outreach activities.
- 21. PC Foundation none
- 22. Student none
- VIII. Future Agenda Items
 - a. None
- IX. Adjourn: 9:12 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rickelle Syrdahl, Secretary-Treasurer

*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.