

**Shasta College
Academic Senate
Minutes
September 25, 2000
Board Room 3:10PM**

Members Present:

Nick Rogers
Frank Nigro
Sandy Johnson
Lew Schmitt
Laura Valvatne
Dave Bush
Warren Lytle
Carolyn Borg
Ron Marley
Dan Scollon
Sue Loring
Sue Hess
Estella Cox

Guests Present:

Keri Hom
Bob Bittner
Cliff Gottlieb
Steven Hansen
Mark Bongay
Richard Saunders

1. Call To Order
2. Approval Of Previous Minutes

--Minutes approved

3. Guests: Dr. Keri Hom/PACE Coordinator

--Keri gave an overview of the new PACE program (Program for Accelerated College Education). This program will provide AA degrees in 5 semesters for students who work full-time. Classes will be offered in 9-week blocks on weekends and on evenings. Each student would take 2 classes in each 9-week block. Students will need to be in at least 3 of the 4 classes offered each semester. Keri asked that students interested in this program be directed toward her. Her extension is 3941. This program will begin in Spring 2001.

4. Reports:

--Nick Rogers: Nick visited our Senate equivalents at Butte College last week. He reported that their Senate president gets 60% release time, the VP gets 40%, and the chair of their Curriculum Committee gets 25%. Part timers are paid \$800 per year to attend the Senate meetings and other meetings. One interesting subcommittee of their Senate is the Staffing Committee, which determines all staffing needs for the college. He brought back various items from Butte, including their part time salary schedule, which is better than ours. They had a 4+% raise last year, and an increase in Blue Cross, as we did, but they don't charge students for parking.

--Estella Cox: The Senate Vice President is in charge of elections of Senate representatives. Accordingly, Estella is collecting information on representation and how it's decided upon. She is checking to make sure we have the proper number of representatives on our Senate. The "Hamilton Apportionment" method is the method used to determine the number of representatives.

--Frank Nigro: Frank asked to give a report on Title III at a future meeting.

5. Discussion Items

a. By-Laws

--Not discussed

b. Staffing Committee

--Not discussed

c. Administrative Retreat Rights

--Ron Johnson, Rod Wright, Brian Spillane, W.G. Garland, have requested retreat rights. Committees from relevant Centers will decide whether or not to approve these rights. The committees must decide on this within 40 days after notification or the retreat rights will be automatically granted.

d. Alternate Calendars

--Concerns were expressed about the timetable for making a decision on the alternate calendars proposal, about the data on how well alternate calendars were working at other schools, and about whether the alternate calendar proposals were already a "done deal" in the mind of the administration. Mark Bongay, ASB representative to the Senate, reported on the ASB's efforts to develop and administer a survey to the

students on the proposal. He will present both the survey and the results to us by October 17. It was noted that Santa Monica, Pierce, Cabrillo, and Riverside all use the new calendar. Sue Loring noted that the Senate's role is to make a recommendation to the Board on this issue. It was decided to have a General (open) Meeting and to devote the entirety of the next Senate meeting to this issue. An alternative site for a larger crowd will be arranged.

e. Part Time Issues

--For a future meeting, Nick will report on his discussion with several deans about how they decide on who to use for part time instruction.

e. Office Space/Office Hours

--Not discussed

f. Matriculation Committee/Processes

--Not discussed

g. NPG Staff Development/funds

--Not discussed

6. Actions Items

a. Appeals process for AA/Certificates

--(Handout) Nick presented his proposal to clarify the appeals process. His proposal would have allowed students seeking AA degrees and certificates to appeal first to the Scholastic Standards committee. That failing, they could then appeal successively to the Senate, then to the Vice President of Student Affairs, then the President, and finally to the Board. Dave Bush made a motion that a student denied an AA degree or a certificate has the right to appeal to the Scholastic Standards Committee. Should that appeal be denied, the student may appeal to the President to present the appeal to the Board of Trustees. The motion was approved unanimously.

b. Probation policy

--Sue Loring gave a brief "heads up" on the probation policy. Currently, students are supposed to wait out one semester if dismissed. A few years ago, the probation policy was altered so that summer school would count as a semester off. So, a person dismissed after the spring would simply come back in the fall. Sue would like to discuss this policy at the next meeting.

7. Other

8. **Adjournment- next meeting- October 9, 2000.** This meeting will focus on the Alternate Calendars proposal. All faculty are encouraged to attend.