SAN DIEGO CITY COLLEGE  
ACADEMIC SENATE MEETING  
September 26, 2011


Proxy Senators:

Adjunct Senate School Representatives:

Academic Senate Officers: C. Lopez, D. Fierro, J. Akers, P. Haro, S. Fontana

Guests:

I. Call to order: 2:35
II. Minutes from May 2, 2011 and September 12, 2011 were approved by consensus
III. Additions/Acceptance of Agenda was approved by consensus
IV. Announcements
   a. Adjunct Officer Update- J. Akers announced to the senators that Abel Macias is the new adjunct representative for the San Diego City College Academic Senate.
   b. Food Drive- A. Milburn announced that the athletic department is holding a food drive, the food is going to be donated to the City College food pantry on campus. Various items will be collected at all home athletic events or can be dropped off at the front desk of the Harry West Gymnasium. A. Milburn encourages senators to share this information with fellow faculty, staff, and students.

V. Guest/Special Committees
   a. Associated Students- No Report

VI. Old Business
   a. Training for online teaching faculty- D. Fierro reminded senators that he sent out information regarding training for online teaching. This particular training is geared towards comprehensive online teaching, not just Vista or Blackboard. Mary Benard wants this training to have 100% participation, however senators expressed that they wanted this training to continue to be recommended and not required.
   b. Email Forwarding- R. Ewell attended the Academic Senate meeting to update senators on email forwarding. He explained that the mechanics needed to proceed with email forwarding were brought to attention and this process will be completed at the end of October.

VII. New Business
   a. Grading Policy- R. Reyes introduced the topic regarding grading policies that are used at a university level. Our surrounding campuses including, UCSD, SDSU and
Grossmont use a + and – grading scale. Senator’s question, why doesn’t City College use this type of grading scale to better prepare the students for transferring? Will this grading system add to student success? Will it give students a competitive edge? More data is needed about this grading scale to see if it is beneficial for City College students. D. Fierro will Discuss this topic with Grossmont College and provide senators with feedback.

IX Officer Reports
a. Student Success Task Force Proceedings- C. Lopez reported some of the main points that the task force was charged to look at which were,
   - K-12 curriculum collaboration and standards
   - Assessment- one size fits all for state
   - Require matrix process: Assessments, orientation, counseling, education planning
   - Develop non traditional approaches to 6 basic skills curriculum
   - Enrollment management- prioritize new students
b. Treasurer Report- C. Lopez reported that 3,708 dollars is in our San Diego City College Academic City College Account. She reminded senators that there is a requested donation of 10 dollars to be active member in the Academic senate, which could be paid by check or cash to C. Lopez or pay roll deduction. The donations are used for expenses such as, refreshments at the meetings and the faculty retirement luncheon.

X. Facilities Update
XI. Standing Committees
XII Other
XII Adjourn 4:00: E. Rempala/ F. Julian