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**SAN DIEGO MESA COLLEGE
ACADEMIC SENATE
Virtual Meeting
May 24, 2021 Emergency Meeting
MINUTES**

Present:

Academic Senate President M. Vélez, C. Allbee, I. Arguelles-Ibarra, J. Braun, M. Brewer, H. Browne, J. Crocitti, R. Fremland, V. Gerace, A. Gurganus, M. Gwin, A. Hoffman, C. Huynh, H. Jagielinski, G. Johnson, I. Kanevsky, C. Katungi, J. Keller, G. Kim, K. Lacher, D. Miyoshi, K. Naimark, R. Nichols, Robert Sanchez, L. Seiger, O.V. Torres, K. Wait and Guests C. Crosby, E. Evans, P. Gustin and T. Mayasa

Excused:

R. Rodrigo (Proxy for R. Escamilla)

I. CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME by Academic Senate President Manuel Vélez @ 2:22PM.
Parliamentarian – Veronica Gerace/Speaker Coordinator & Timekeeper – Veronica Gerace

II. AGENDA:

Motion to add the Mesa College Ethnic Studies Task Force Report to today's agenda:

M/S

Fremland/Seiger

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III. Mesa College Ethnic Studies Task Force Report:

- A.** President Manuel Vélez thanked Candace Katungi and the Task Force Members for their work on the document.
- B.** Candace Katungi thanked Academic Senate President Manuel Vélez, the Senators and Senate Executive Members for attending the emergency meeting to review the report.
- C.** John Crocitti said there are several points where Central American Studies is mentioned in the report and I think it should be consistent with the footnotes that we placed at the State level and in our local resolution that we already approved.
 - 1. The document needs to clearly indicate that Ethnic Studies and Central American Studies are two separate disciplines.
 - 2. Footnotes that are part of the report should be included.
 - a. I see this in separate documents on page three, page 10, page 22, page 27 and page 29.
 - Gloria Kim asked John Crocitti to send her the list of the page numbers.
- D.** Andrew Hoffman made the suggestion that the third line under "What is Ethnic Studies" that introduces the four groups should have a colon and not a semi colon.
- E.** Janna Braun suggested that Dr. Shirley Weber should be referred to as "former" State Assembly Member, since she is now the California Secretary of State for accuracy.
- F.** Veronica Gerace reported a spelling error on page 19.
- G.** President Manuel Vélez reported there were a total of 76 written public comments that were submitted in favor of the Title 5 changes and public comments during a Board of Trustees meeting in favor of including representatives and the academic senate, so everything is looking excellent in terms of the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges (ASCCC) Ethnic Studies requirements.
 - 1. Rob Fremland asked if the report is also going to be applied to the baccalaureate degrees up and down the state since the creation of baccalaureate degrees at California Community Colleges has created GE patterns.
 - a. President Manuel said that is a great question and he will have make the inquiries.
 - 2. Thekima Mayasa reported there were additional comments after the public comments from district Faculty Members during the Board of Trustees meeting.
 - a. Black Studies is looking very good.

H. Mover and Secondor Rob Fremland and Leslie Seiger accept the suggested changes.

Motion to approve the document with the friendly amendments and suggested changes:

M/S

Fremland/Seiger

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IV. ADJOURNMENT: 2:38PM.

Motion to adjourn:

M/S

Braun/Albee

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Submitted by Sue Saetia

Approved by the Academic Senate: September 13, 20221