



**San Diego Mesa College
Academic Senate
Academic Affairs Committee
February 1st, 2021
Draft Minutes**

Present: Chair Oscar V. Torres, Jack Forman, Mary Gwin, Amanda Johnston, Leslie Seiger, Sean Ricketts, Steve Sanchez; Gabriel Adona; Dave Odasso; Tony Parsons

Absent: Bryan Malinis (excused), Miriam Pacheco (excused), Linda Hensley

I. Call to Order by Chair Oscar V. Torres @ 4:15 PM.

II. Review and Approval of Draft Agenda: The agenda was emailed to Committee members for their approval and additions. Oscar V. Torres opened the agenda for edits by any committee member at the start of the meeting. Comments and discussed centered about audio and video recording of the meeting. It was decided to record the meeting given that we did not have minutes from our last meeting.

Torres/Seiger/ Gwin

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III. Announcements: Torres

Lincoln Day/holiday	Feb 12, 2021	Academic Senate Feb, 8, 2021
Washington Day/holiday	Feb 15, 2021	PCAB, Feb, 2, 2021
End of drop/refund period	Feb 16, 2021	Student Evaluations, May 21, 2021
Census reports due	Feb 17, 2021	Senate Officers with VPs Feb, 8, 2021
Q:A Spring break	Mar 29, 2021	PRONTO training webinar by Kingsley
Cesar Chavez Day/holiday	Apr 2, 2021 (Local holiday)	HSI Grant has 10 Surface Pro
Withdrawal deadline	Apr 16, 2021	Announcement of Chancellor Finalists
End of spring semester	May 29, 2021	
Grades due	June 4, 2021	

IV. Review and Approval of Draft Minutes: There were no minutes to approve from our last 2020 Academic Affairs committee meeting.

V. Special Guest(s): Toni Parsons (Rep. for the Guided Pathways)

Mesa Pathways (MP), faculty will decide which discipline areas get grouped into specific “meta-majors” or “areas of interest”. Over the next two months, Feb. to March, there will be six total Mesa “Mixers”. Ian will go to the Chair’s committee to ask for faculty support to

attend one of these six mixers and develop the groupings. The focus is to determine where each degree and certificate, from Mesa, fits best under the GP model for areas of interest. Then, once the composite framework is done, the entire school, will vote to adopt it. Incentives come in the form of gift cards to attend the Mesa mixers.

VI. Reports: Torres

Academic Senate: MOSAIC is a Faculty professional learning opportunity for Faculty to completely redesign their courses as Open Shared Accessible and Inclusive Courses. Mosaic started in spring of 2020 as a pilot for Faculty to re-design their courses. GP self-assessment submission deadline to the state of California is March 1, 2021. Proctorio being purchased for spring 2021.

Executive meeting: CBE collaborative by Tasha Frankie. Learning is fixed, but the amount of time it should take is should depend on the learner. Equity minded education. There are no fixed dates to start or end, no letter grades, only achieve mastery “B” or mastery plus “A”. This module based, proficiency based, industry is involved to guide which skills are needed. Needs senate approval to submit application. We will discuss at our next meeting. Academic Honesty, Senate needs to do open forums, looking for open speakers on the topic without using proctoring software.

Senate Officers with VPs: Summer is all online. Chancellor search on going. Support for GP self-assessment. Looking for ways to support allied health students by re-directing them to places where they can get COVID testing for free.

So you want to be a Chair? : Torres, Parsons attended. It was good in that there has not been an event like this before. It was informative, and a step in the right direction.

Mesa Pathways "Areas of Interest" Sorting Activity: Topic included meta-majors, this event was held on Jan. 27th. The academic affairs committee examined an outline of meta-majors form Odessa CC in Texas. Parsons: Mesa offers many degrees and certificates, with GP we can help student be more intentional in choosing a degree. This helps to orient students to an area of interest.

VII. Old Business:

- A. Academic Senate Constitutional changes and recommendations
Torres: Constitutional changes to be introduced on the 8th, + Andrews’s suggestion on grammatical error, need to discuss new sub-committee to work on new set of changes and recommendations.
- B. Academic Dishonesty in Online Formats, Mesa Student Affairs, Executive 22nd, February

Torres: Maybe Academic Senate is a little behind on academic dishonesty discussions, Mesa student affairs taking the lead on the discussion, we might think about who we can bring back the conversation.

VI. New Business:

A. Academic Affairs Memberships

Torres: We need new members, especially from the fine arts. Seiger states she will continue as member of our committee next semester. Dave Odasso is our newest member, we thank him for his time. Gabriel Adona stepping in for our counselors, and also thanked.

B. Direct Assessment Competency-Based Education (CBE)

The application was emailed to members. Torres asked members to look at it for discussion during the next meeting on Feb. 22, 2021.

C. Guided Pathways scale of adoption self-assessment

This was also emailed. The document will be presented at PCAB for approval, and at Senate as well. There were no questions or comments on the document.

IX. Round Table Discussion/Announcements by Membership:

A. Open discussion points from any member

Discussed the upcoming Academic Senate elections, looking for a new senator at large, vice president, and secretary. Encourage anyone faculty who you may know is interested in running.

B. Senate Officers with VPs, Torres: Any questions just email me and I can inquiry on your behalf.

C. Forman and Seiger requested that the notes used during the meeting be emailed to all members because of zoom links to various campus events. This was done two day later.

X. Next Meeting: Feb 22, 2021 04:15 PM

XI. Adjournment Time: _____ 5:15 PM _____