



**San Diego Mesa College
Academic Senate
Academic Affairs Committee
March 2, 2020: Room BT 218 (4:15PM-5:30PM)
Draft Minutes**

- I. Call to Order by Chair Oscar V. Torres:** 4: 15 PM, 3-2-2020
- II. Review and Approval of Draft Agenda:**
- III. Review and Approval of Draft Minutes:**
- IV. Reports:**
 - A. From Academic Senate Meeting** from February 24, 2020: Public comments: there was concern about the treatment of adjuncts as not faculty of college. Special guest: VPI Isabel O'Connor proposed the creation of "MIC", "Mesa Instructional council". She is open to increasing the membership. Guest: Fremland discusses OER, and states that Mesa is making good progress. Also reminds faculty that if they are using zero cost materials, then to make and complete the questionnaire form the bookstore so that they may indicated this zero cost within the class schedule. Andrew: from curriculum lets everyone know that the spring semester is a good time to make curriculum modifications. Toni: Thanked everyone who attended the Guided Pathway retreat. No new business to report. Manuel: reminds everyone that district meetings by discipline are happening this semester, it is important for faculty to participate and collaborate with our sister colleges.
 - B. From PCAB:** 2-18-2020 – Budget Allocation Recommendation Committee (BARC) welcomed its new members. Members of BARC visited the Academic Senate to update answer questions raised by faculty. A FAQ sheet was developed and shared with the campus. The BARC added equity into the rubric for scoring future requests. FTEF targets were discussed. It was projected we would be over targets, enrollments are high. The Mesa2030 timeframe was highlighted and is currently in the "campus engagement" phase. The Mesa's Instructional Council (MIC) was discussed, included it's composition. There was support for the initiative. Mesa Pathways reported and disclosed "Guided Majors and Mapping" mixers dates. This is an opportunities for administrators, faculty and staff to converse about outlining pathways for students
- Guest(s):** (Campus Project Manager for SDCCD and the liaison for the SPEAK Task Force)

The committee invited staff from the Speak Task Force. The task force provides social services and counseling for students undergoing domestic violence, familial problems, or traumatic events within their current residence. Faculty and staff are encouraged to direct students with these type of issue to contact the task force.
- VI. Old Business:**
 - A. Discussion on MIC** (call for vote) – The committee discussed MIC initiative and had many questions about the charge of the committee, the history of a committee of this type, and others that already exist within the

college. A proposal by Bruce Naschak was reviewed. The document lists proposed membership composition, accountability, and responsibilities of the MIC. The Academic Affairs committee supports the proposed membership.

- B. Discussion on Adjunct committee funding - There is confusion on re-assign time FTEF within the team and AFT contractual agreements on adjuncts to receive funding for their participation on Senate committee. The Academic Affairs committee evaluates that these decision are outside of their purview.
- C. Mesa Guided Pathways (MGP) Meeting Times – Meeting times were disclosed for the distinct tasks teams, or “bubbles” including Onboarding and career exploration”, “Proactive support”, and “Brave Communication”.

VII. New Business: Open Discussion Points

- A. Academic Senate Executive Report: 0.25 FTEF release extra, because the senate was given extra with new AFT contract. Velez wants to give .2 to previous President and this would alternate to incoming president elect.
- B. Academic Senate and Governance websites – The websites seem to be outdated, with many documents missing.
- C. Request to uploads links to all documents – The was an idea brought forward to standardize agendas and minutes in the form of outlines and small summaries. This might aid to update the website and committee links.
- D. Textbook Affordability – There will be a resolution wanting the Senate to support textbook affordability initiatives.
- E. Membership Roster: - The committee discussed the need for more faculty members. In particular faculty from the Fine Arts are needed. The Senate Constitution was examined in relation to Academic Affairs membership.

IX. Round Table/Announcements by Membership:

IX. Next Meeting: March 16, 2020

XI. Adjournment Time: ____5:30__pm____