**The De Anza Academic Senate**

**Approved Notes of the meeting of**

**January 12th, 2015**

**Senators and Officers present:** Alexander, Anderson, Bryant, Cruz, Delas, Dolen, Donahue, Freeman, Hunter, Liu, Lucas, Maynard, Mitchell, Nakase, Pape, and Setziol

**Senators and Officers Absent:** Benney, Hertler, Leonard, and Schaffer,

**DASB: FA Liaison:**

**Classified Senate:** Lorna Maynard **Curriculum Co Chair:**

**Administrative Liaison**:

**Director of Diversity, Social Justice, and Multicultural Ed.:** Veronica Neal

**Guests:** Kevin Glapion, Marisa Spatafore, Cynthia Kaufman, Erik Woodbury, and Lorrie Ranck

**Faculty and Staff Development:**

**[NOTE: Item numbers are reflective of agenda numbers in the order they are actually taken up at the meeting.]**

**The meeting was called to order at 2:34, a quorum being present.**

**I. Approval of Notes and Agenda:** The agenda was approved as distributed. There were no notes to be approved as the notes of December 2nd had already been approved by mail.

**II. Needs and Confirmations:** The Academic Senate for California Community Colleges (ASCCC) seeks mathematics faculty for the California Community College Common Assessment project. There is a need for counseling faculty to serve on the Vice President for Student Services Administrative Assistant Search and Selection Committee.

**III. Committee Reports:** - Cruz and Setziol reported on the governor’s budget announcement and reactions to it. State Chancellor Brice Harris reacted to the announcement, saying it was the best single budget announcement in over 20 years. In total, the governor proposed a community college budget increase of over $1,000,000,000, including $300M in one time money ($100M for Student Success, $100M for Student Equity, and $100 for a variety of things) and $800M in on going money including $125M for CoLA.

- Cruz applauded President Obama’s announcement of a plan to provide federal funding enabling free community college for all students as long as they meet certain conditions. Many are left wondering about the likelihood of the plan being enacted.

- The work on a new Educational Master Plan for the college is being spurred, in part, by the sunset of the current plan due at the end of the academic year. Cruz and Mallory Newell are co chairing the group working on a draft plan. Cruz expects the work to ramp up very quickly due to Mallory’s due date. They will be widespread for comment and input. See [www.deanza.edu/emp](http://WWW.Deanza.edu/emp) for details.

- The first IPBT meeting of the quarter was announced for January 13th.

- The group was reminded of the annual Partners in Learning conference March 13th. The title of this year’s conference is Building Communication: Big Ideas and Concrete Applications.

- The equity Action Council’s first meeting of the quarter was announced for Wednesday, January 14th from 3:00 to 5:00. There will be no second meeting this month due to the Social Justice, Equity, and Basic Skills Linkages conference scheduled for January 28th from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Recognizing the limited number of people who could attend the whole day, Neal invited people to come when they could. She also invited attendance at Equity Action Council meetings.

- Glapion was present to report on SSPBT activities. The main focus of that group is on the significant amount of hiring planned including 5 full time counselors, 15 part time counselors, and 7 academic advisors.

**IV. Process for New Video Production and Captioning:** A handout suitable for the agenda item title was distributed. Marisa Spatafore and Lorrie Ranck made the presentation. Spatafore’s introduction was to the administrative reorganization which ended up with her office being given the responsibility for video production and captioning. She included the announcement that the college cable channel was being phased out due to a natural progression away from this format by faculty and public alike. Because of this, the position of Broadcast Producer has been replaced by a position of Multimedia Producer (currently Tammy Ehle).

The process for video captioning is posted on the college website at [www.deanza.edu/captioning](https://email.fhda.edu/owa/redir.aspx?C=y7YlPkwjwkWanP6VNTf7-AdQfXPHA9IIh21ATPX3CMeOeuukKw-F9W_Nb3guFRuNdL-ocROo_44.&URL=http%3a%2f%2fwww.deanza.edu%2fcaptioning)

Ranck said that Library Services is the group to contact to see a list of already existing captioned videos.

**V. Funding Request: Thank you gift for GE Review Steering Committee:**

**It was MSCU(Mitchell/Delas)** to authorize up to $200 for gift certificates for the members of this group other than the Senate officers.

**VI. Announcement of General Education Review Vote:** Erik Woodbury showed the totals approving all three proposals 1) new General Education Philosophy Statement, 2) new Criteria for General Education Courses, and 3) new General Education Requirement in Environmental Sustainability and Global Citizenship. Both Woodbury and especially Cruz spoke to the concern raised during the voting period about anonymity in this the first use of online voting in a faculty election at De Anza. Cruz reported that an investigation found that there were no grounds for concern that someone would be able to go into the system and find out how someone voted. Setziol added that anonymity was never necessary and Cruz added that the employee ID entry was used only to ensure that people only voted once. Cruz and Woodbury ended the item by reminding all in attendance that the vote on the new requirement did not mean automatic implementation because the approval was contingent on a number of criteria and yet to be determined thresholds.

**VII.** **Senate Project Groups Check in/Reports:** Given a lack of time, the item was limited to Cruz asking for something in writing from each of the groups and the promise that there would be time for work and reporting by the groups at the January 26th meeting.

**VIII. Appreciations and Good of the Order: -** Donahue alerted the group to a scam on campus whereby students are being enticed by a flyer touting highly dubious earnings.

- The outdoor club distributed a flyer for its upcoming Yosemite trip.

- A film festival in honor of the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King was announced for January 15th .

- Cruz distributed a handout announcing a student employee position in support of the group and asked the Senators to encourage potentially strong candidates to apply.

- A card was distributed promoting the newest Euphrat Museum show.

- Byron Lilly was appreciated for his recent service on the Executive Committee.

**The meeting was adjourned at 3:47 to enable a meeting of the General Education Review Steering Committee.**