FACULTY SENATE MINUTES
May 20, 2014

Members Present:
President.................................................................Ardon Alger
Vice President—Language Arts..............................Neil Watkins
Curriculum Chair..................................................Marie Boyd
Business & Applied Technology........................David Karp
Chino/Fontana.....................................................Laurie Pratt
Health Sciences...................................................Renee Ketchum
Instructional Support ..........................................Cindy Walker
Language Arts.......................................................Leona Fisher
Mathematics & Sciences......................................Nicole DeRose
Mathematics & Sciences.......................................Alif Wardak
Social & Behavioral Sciences...............................Vera Dunwoody
Student Services................................................Maria Cuevas
Student Services................................................Susan Starr
Visual and Performing Arts.................................John Machado
Senator-at-Large..................................................Robin Ikeda
Adjunct Senator-at-Large.................................Gail Keith-Gibson

Members Absent:
Secretary/ Treasurer—Senator-at-Large...............Angela Bartlett
Business & Applied Technology........................Thierry Brusselle
Chino/Fontana.....................................................Tim Greene
Health Sciences...................................................Sue Paplanus
Instructional Support..........................................Mary Jane Ross
Social & Behavioral Sciences..............................Angela Sadowski
Visual and Performing Arts...............................Stan Hunter
Senator-at-Large..................................................Tim Arner

Alternates Present:
Business & Applied Technology.........................Carol Dickerson
Health Sciences..................................................Sandy Clay
Social & Behavioral Sciences..............................Pak Tang
Student Services.................................................Donna Colondres

Guests:
Daniel Keener

I. P.E.
II. CALL TO ORDER

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND CONSENT AGENDA
Minutes of May 13, 2014, were approved 19-0 as amended.

V. CONSENT AGENDA

VI. REPORTS

- President
  ▪ Angela Bartlett’s lovely thank you note was shared with Senators.
  ▪ Senate sends its heartfelt condolences to Tim Greene, on the recent loss of his brother.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

- Radiologic Technology Instructor Screening Committee—Senate reviewed the following list of recommended committee members:
  ▪ Rachel Arciniega, HS
  ▪ Andrea Dutton, HS
  ▪ Sue Herman, HS
  ▪ Renee Ketchum, HS
  ▪ Philip Roberts, KNA
  ▪ Marlene Soto, HS

Senate approved the Radiologic Technology Instructor Screening Committee 19-0.

- AP 5520 Student Discipline Procedures—Senator Fisher reported that she and Senator Ross reviewed the document and made extensive changes to AP 5520. Senate requests a revised version of AP 5520 from administration and looks forward to reviewing the document again once it is revised.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- Common Assessment Initiative (CAI)—Senator Walker and Vice President Watkins presented an overview of CAI. Senator Boyd added that this initiative is related to the Online Education Initiative. Chaffey was asked to participate in this process.

- Water and Trees—Senator Ikeda reported that California is in its second year of drought; the driest year on record was last year, and this year is on track to beat it. We will most likely have mandatory water restrictions. The Tree Committee has been monitoring this situation carefully. The Tree Committee has been concerned about the damage to the irrigation system due to construction, and combined with the reduction in naturally occurring or ambient water; many of our mature trees on campus are in danger from diseases due to water stress. We stand to lose 75% of our mature trees this summer if we relied on ambient water only. Trees have a dramatically positive impact on the climate of any campus—particularly large, mature trees. Many
of our trees are valuable scientific specimens, organisms that demonstrate important concepts in biology and spark students’ imaginations. All of our trees are part of the ecology of the campus, enriching its biodiversity by attracting myriad insects, birds and other animals. As such, the trees are the kingpins of the outdoor laboratories in which our students may become immersed in a variety of scholarly disciplines. The Grounds crew and administration have been working to ameliorate the situation to preserve the trees during the drought. Senate wishes to express its thanks to Dr. Henry Shannon, Melanie Siddiqi, Troy Ament, the Grounds Crew and the Tree Committee for their quick action to address this crisis.

If the drought continues, the campus community will have to begin a difficult conversation about how to best allocate our water resources.

IX. FLOOR ITEMS

X. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

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Donna Walker, Recording Secretary

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Leona Fisher for Angela Bartlett,
Secretary/ Treasurer