President’s Advisory Council

MINUTES

March 12, 2008
Approved - 3/26/08


HOUSEKEEPING

1. Note: In the absence of Efrain Villanueva, Catherine Parks served as the classified representative.
2. Agenda: The following items were added to the agenda: Informational Items/Announcements: Item 3 - Social Science Division Issue, Item 4 - Smoking Enforcement Committee Update.
3. Minutes: The minutes of the February 27, 2008 meeting were approved as presented.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Projects Update: Vice President Janet Portolan gave a construction projects update. She reported that storm drain work will begin on March 24 which will eliminate the pedestrian walkway between the Auto Shop and the Classroom Office Building construction fence until approximately June 1. Upon completion of that project, the second phase of the storm drain work will continue north to Berkeley Street until approximately July 31. The construction of the Science Village will begin March 31 with anticipated completion of the village by mid-June. The move into the new Science Village will begin in early July. The construction of the Science Village will eliminate staff parking in Lot E; and, to compensate for that loss, student parking Lot 8 will be opened for staff parking beginning March 31. Parking in Lot E will be reevaluated upon completion of the Science Village.
2. Returning Veterans Legislation: Interim Vice President Peter Fong reported that in response to Senate Bill 272, effective January 1, 2008, veteran students will be given priority registration for any semester within two years of leaving active duty. A flyer titled Priority Registration for the Military outlining details and contact information was distributed.
3. Enhancements for Student Registration: Interim Vice President Peter Fong reported that during the upcoming summer registration, students will be able to print their scheduled bills through their home computers. This will reduce the number of lines students must stand in by allowing students to take their printed bills directly to Campus Safety and receive their parking permits. Students will be notified of this new process through MyGateway and all printed materials to include The Hornet. Other student enhancements that are being considered include the ordering and shipping of books and parking permits through the Bookstore.
4. Commencement Update: Interim Dean Darlene Jensen reported that this year’s commencement ceremony is scheduled for Thursday, May 22, 2008. The keynote speaker will be Dr. Terrence Robert from the Little Rock Nine Foundation. A more intensive graduation marketing campaign will begin after Spring Break. Both the Campus Commencement Committee and Administrative Commencement Committee meetings are scheduled for later in April. A copy of the 2008 FC Commencement Bulletin, memo on Regalia for Commencement 2008, and “Save the Date” flyer was distributed for informational purposes.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Strategic Planning Timeline: Dr. Hodge reported that the college is on schedule with planning activities, as outlined in the planning calendar. A copy of the Fullerton College Planning Calendar adopted by PAC on 11/28/07 was distributed for informational purposes.
2. Strategic Plan Update: The college has been asked to evaluate its 2007-2008 Goals and Objectives in the NOCCCD Strategic Plan. The Vice Presidents are working on this effort and will be providing the
information to Debra Gerard who will be responsible for consolidating the information into a college response to the district request.

3. Budget Update: A copy of the NOCCCD 2007-2008 Budget Update & 2008-2009 Preliminary Budget presentation that was discussed at the March 10, 2008 District Planning Council was distributed for informational purposes. Dr. Hodge reported that there is $41 million in budget cuts for 2007-2008 fiscal year. The district will be asked to reduce their budget by $1.4 million. At this time the District is not planning to pass these cuts on to the colleges. The 2008-2009 budget is not very optimistic, as there are many proposed reductions, especially in the categorical funding areas. It is not anticipated that the 2008-2009 budget will be finalized until the summer.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS / ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Student Concerns: Associated Students President, Ethan Morse brought forth four proposals on various student concerns for discussion. They included FC Proposal for Sashes, FC Proposal for KFCR Reactivation, FC Proposal for Student Center Games, and FC Proposal for Student Center Conference Room. A.S. President Morse discussed the details of each proposal and opened the floor for questions or comments. Copies of the proposals were distributed for informational purposes.

2. Men’s Basketball Send Off – March 13 morning: Dean Sue Beers announced that the FC Men’s Basketball team will be competing for the state championship playoffs March 14-16, 2008. The first game is scheduled this Friday, March 14. If the team wins, they will advance to the next game scheduled for Saturday, March 15. The final championship game is scheduled for Sunday, March 16. A “good luck” send-off is scheduled for Thursday, March 13 at 8:45 am in Student Lot 8. Dean Beers encouraged everyone to come and show their support. A Please Join Buzzy flyer was distributed with detailed information on the send-off.

3. Social Science Division Issue: Vice President Larry Buckley announced that discussion has taken place to reduce the Fullerton College Child Care Center to a lab school only in support of the instructional program. Any questions regarding this issue should be directed to Vice President Buckley.

4. Smoking Enforcement Committee Update: Associated Students Representative Jovan Maxwell reported that the Smoking Enforcement Committee met on Thursday, March 6, 2008. The committee continues to evaluate information regarding possible non-smoking enforcement procedures. An update on the committee’s findings will be presented at a future PAC meeting.

MEMBER REPORTS

1. Deans: Dean Bob Jensen reported that the deans have been discussing and working on issues related to the re-launch of CurricUNET, Dynamic Fund proposals, Basic Skills Initiative, VTEA, CE6, and scheduling matrix for Spring 2009. Dean Jensen thanked everyone for assisting in making the High School Theatre Festival a success.

2. Managers: Director of Campus Safety Emilio Perez reported that several clubs with varying opinions were on display in the quad this afternoon but were able to exchange information in a peaceful, positive, and organized manner. The Threat Assessment Team continues to work on projects and ideas for a safer campus environment.

3. Faculty: Professor Miguel Powers reported that members of the Faculty Senate Student Learning Outcomes Committee will be elected at the next Faculty Senate meeting. The committee was established for one year and focus on sharing information, ideas, and best practices related to SLOs. The Faculty Senate is also discussing the process of switching to the upgraded distance education CE6 software.

4. Classified: Classified Representative Catherine Parks reported that the deadline to submit the nomination forms for the Classified Recognition Award is March 27, 2008. The 3rd Annual Classified Senate Open House is scheduled for May 1, 2008 from 11:00 am - 1:00 pm in the College Center.

5. Associated Students: Associated Student President Ethan Morse reported that the A.S. election process and surveys have been approved; preparations for the Festival of Diversity are underway; the A.S. proposals on student concerns have been submitted for discussion and Spring Break is next week.

Adjournment: 3:50 p.m.

Patricia Sanchez, Recording Secretary