



President's Advisory Council MINUTES

March 11, 2009
Approved March 25, 2009

MEMBERS: *Chair:* Kathie Hodge *Deans:* Bob Jensen *Managers:* Chris Kiger *Faculty:* Ken Collins, Marcus Wilson, Susan Nack, Ricardo Salas *Classified:* Ericka Adakai, Beverly Pipkin *Associated Students:* Rajan Vaidya, Robin Kim *Absent:*

HOUSEKEEPING

1. **Agenda:** The agenda was approved with the addition of Fine Arts Announcements added to the Informational Items/Announcements section.
2. **Minutes:** The minutes were approved with one minor correction.
3. **Membership:** President Hodge introduced Instructor Ricardo Salas, who will be a spring semester replacement for Instructor Jay Seidel. Mr. Seidel will return in the fall.

OLD BUSINESS

1. **2009-2011 Unit Objectives:** Dean Bob Jensen reported that revisions were made to the document distributed at the last meeting and a revised copy was attached to the agenda packet. He encouraged everyone to read the document, as it was a good way to know what the college community is doing. President Hodge reported that it was decided the yearly district-wide update on the goals and objectives will be done in the same format as in past years. The current format of the Fullerton College goals and objectives will provide for an easier update. The 2009-2011 Unit Objectives were endorsed by PAC representatives.
2. **Budget Update:** Budget Officer Adam O'Connor reported that there was no change relating to the State budget. Further, he reported that the District's tentative budget was presented to DPC and the Board. Highlights of that budget include:
 - a. \$1.2 million shortfall in apportionment paid to the District
 - b. Interest earnings were reduced by 50%
 - c. As presented there is an \$850,000 shortfall in the 2009-2010 budget. This shortfall will be offset by using the monies currently set aside for the vacant positions not being filled. Twenty of these vacancies are faculty positions, which will be under consideration next year in order to maintain the District's full-time faculty obligation.

If the State budget holds, the District budget as presented will not change. However, it is anticipated that the May Revise (to be announced in June) will result in changes that may affect community colleges.

Mr. O'Connor also reported that the DPC Budget Subcommittee continues to review the 401 budget reduction suggestions. Those suggestions forwarded to the campuses for review and comment will be reviewed by the Budget Development Committee (BDC). Because it is anticipated there would be additional cuts to the budget, BDC has recommended that there be no Dynamic Fund allocations this year and will discuss the current projects that require ongoing funding to determine if Dynamic Fund carryovers can be funded. If the 2009-2010 budget is better than anticipated, Dr. Hodge suggested that consideration be given for a fall Dynamic Fund process.

There was a question about why the anticipated 1.25% growth money that is being funded by the State was not being forwarded to the campuses. Mr. O'Connor explained that the District was keeping this to cover step and column increases. A discussion about FTES targets took place and Dr. Hodge reported that the college would be funded at current levels to achieve FTES targets. She explained it would be harmful to Fullerton College to decline and encouraged all to work to meet or exceed our FTES targets.

The question about how the budget would affect the construction projects was raised. Dr. Hodge explained that future construction projects (1100 and 300/500 remodels) were potentially threatened because the District does not have the required matching funds. Current projects are already funded.

NEW BUSINESS

1. ***Distance Education Strategic Plan:*** President Hodge provided background on this topic. The past several years there has been discussion at the campus and District regarding how distance education would be delivered. Both Fullerton College and Cypress College handle distance education differently and consideration for the District to host distance education was being discussed. At the present time the District has indicated that the college would have to make their own decisions about distance education and the District would not host unless the colleges agreed on a product and delivery and also provided the funding.

Dean Carol Mattson then reported that, based on the current issues the college faces relating to the delivery of distance education, the Distance Education Advisory Committee (DEAC) has created a subcommittee to develop a Strategic Plan for Distance Education. Once the plan is developed it will be brought to PAC. The goal of the subcommittee will be to look at a model that is good for Fullerton College. Discussion took place about the different products being used by Fullerton College and Cypress College. Vice President Larry Buckley stated that Distance Education would be a part of what is addressed in the Educational Master Plan soon to be developed by the District.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. ***Construction Update:*** Vice President Janet Portolan provided the following updates on the construction activity on campus:
 - a. 400 Building – the crane will be erecting steel at the end of the week of March 16.
 - b. Pool – the plaster is curing and the pool will be available to college for its use approximately May 1.
 - c. South Gym – the work is scheduled to be completed April 10, at which time work on the Dance Studio will begin. It is anticipated that the Dance Studio work will be completed August 1. A question was raised about the ceiling in the south gym and its ability to host volleyball games. It was stated that volleyball games would be held in the gym; however, NCAA tournaments could not be hosted. The college did not have the ability to host NCAA tournaments in the past.
 - d. Field House – steel will be erected March 13 and 14.
 - e. Track & Field – a meeting is being hosted by the District with the local residents to address their concerns about this aspect of the PE project. Areas of interest to the neighbors include: lighting, noise, and parking. While the project is slowly moving ahead, the lights, sound system and bleachers are on hold at this time.
 - f. Dome on LLRC – the tile on the dome of the LLRC is scheduled to be repaired during spring break.
2. ***Fine Arts:*** Dean Bob Jensen announced that the last performance of *Guys and Dolls* will be staged on March 12, the High School Theatre Festival will take place on March 13 and 14 and Sandow Birk, this year's Artist in Residence, will be on campus the week of March 16 doing studio demos and conducting a presentation the evening of March 17.

MEMBER REPORTS

1. ***Deans:*** Dean Bob Jensen reported that District IS will pilot a program in fall 2009 that would enable students to find on the system what books they need for each CRN. Further he reported that MyGateway allows faculty to now copy courses from semester to semester instead of having to create new each semester.
2. ***Managers:*** Health Services Director Chris Kiger reported that those who wish to assist students in need of money to purchase food are encouraged to donate to the Associated Students Care Bank. A.S. President Rajan Vaidya announced that the Care Bank provide a \$50 monthly bus pass or \$25 Ralph's gift card when students apply for assistance. Current rules are that a student may only receive assistance once per semester; however, the A.S. is looking at ways to help them more often. Ms. Kiger also announced that, as a result of the feedback received at the Student Success Summit III, a "Welcome

Day” is being planned for August 8 and the lobby of the 2000 Building will be converted into a “Welcome Center.”

3. **Faculty:** Faculty Senate President Ken Collins reported that Peg Berger was elected to the position of Treasurer and Jane Troop to the position of Secretary. The two would assume their positions in May 2009.
4. **Classified:** Classified Senate President Ericka Adakai reported that the deadline for nominations for the Classified Recognition award was March 13.
5. **Associated Students:** Associated Students President Rajan Vaidya reported that Fullerton College students participated in the rally at Pasadena City College on February 27 encouraging the State to support community colleges. Associated Students Vice President Robin Kim reported that election packets were available and elections would be held next month. In addition, the A.S. survey will be conducted March 16 to 30, Club Rush will take place on March 18 and NiteLife will be held on March 23.

Adjournment: 3:25 p.m.

Debra Gerard, Recording Secretary