



## ACADEMIC SENATE

### ADOPTED MINUTES

October 20, 2008

Board Room 626

4:00 – 5:00 pm

#### 1. Call to Order

President Lamb called the meeting to order at 4:40 p.m.

#### 2. Roll Call:

Jeffrey Lamb, President

Susanna Crawford, Erin Farmer-*ex officio*, Ferdinanda Florence, Ruth Fuller, Lisa Giambastiani, Michael Goodwin, Debbie Kalish, Jeffrey Lamb, Jeanette McCarthy, Lou McDermott, Rennee Moore-*ex officio*, John Nagle, Carl Ogden

Mary Swayne, Administrative Assistant

**Absent/Excused:** Robin Arie-Donch, Thom Watkins

**Guests:** Dr. Robin Steinback, Charles Spillner, Math and Science/Chemistry

#### 3. Approval of Agenda –October 20,2008

Motion to Approve – M/S/P – Unanimous

Amendments: Senator Moore asked to defer Distance Education Report; President Lamb asked to include instead the report from VPAA Steinback.

In the light of time constraints, other Information/Discussion Items were deferred till next meeting also.

#### 4. Approval of Minutes – September 22, 2008, and October 6, 2008

Motion to Approve – M/S/P – Unanimous

Amendments: Senator Crawford noted that her first name was misspelled in the September 22 minutes.

#### 5. President's Report

- Available for viewing at [sccsenate.blogspot.com](http://sccsenate.blogspot.com)

#### 6. Reports

- **Vice President of Academic Affairs – Dr. Robin Steinback**

- ACCJC has received our reports, and a committee of three will review the reports. The Vice President of ACCJC's next visit will be Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>.

- Dr. Steinback also reported on our current FTES and noted that we are capturing certain numbers now that we can borrow from summer, to promote our growth and collect growth

monies. She noted that this was standard procedure and that we then recalculate, removing the summer numbers from AY 2008-2009.

- **Flex Cal Committee – Charles Spillner**
  - Charles Spillner handed out the tentative calendar; the committee just needs to have our Senate meeting for scheduling.
  
- **Study Abroad – Ferdinanda Florence**
  - The Study Abroad Committee is working on a membership drive, and working toward getting a paid coordinator position.
  - A concern for the committee is the maintenance of academic rigor in highly compressed course offerings.
  - Comments/Questions: Senator Florence wondered if there needed to be a course modification to deal with the super-compression of these classes, to insure their transferability, and suggested the use of variable units as a remedy. Senator Farmer noted that it would be up to the Senate to determine a policy regarding transferability and the equitable application of Carnegie units, and then that policy would guide the Curriculum.

## **7. Action Items**

- Approval of the official creation of the Learning Communities Program as a Standing Committee.  
Motion to Approve – M/S/P – Unanimous

## **8. Announcements**

## **9. Adjournment**

Motion to Adjourn – M/S/P – Unanimous  
Meeting adjourned at 5:06 p.m.

(Due to the passing of our Administrative Assistant, Mary Swayne, these minutes reflect our best recollection of events. We could not find her notes or the audio recording of the meeting. 04/30/09. Minutes were sent for approval on May 4, 2009.)