AS 2013-2014
Rio Hondo College Academic Senate Minutes
February 18, 2014
Board Room 1:00 p.m.

Present: Alan Archambault, Robin Babou, Michelle Bean, Robert Bethel, Katherin Brandt, Ada Brown, Brian Brutlag, Fran Cummings, Marie Eckstrom, Cameron English, Juan Fernandez, Theresa Freije, Dianne Holcomb, Steve Johnson, George Kimber, Steve Koelle, Sheila Lynch, Jim Matthis, Barbara Mikalson, Greg Miller, Carley Mitchell, Steve Moshier, Jovany Munoz, Katie O'Brien, Tyler Okamoto, Sally Olivas, Vann Priest, Kathy Pudelko, Dianna Reyes, Kevin Smith, Adam Wetsman, Jon Whitford, Colin Young, Mariano Zaro

Guests: Song Le Graham, Mike Javanmard

Call to Order
Meeting was called to order at 1:02 p.m.

I. Approval of Minutes
Minutes of the meeting of February 4, 2014 were approved without revision.

II. President’s Report
A. Senate officer elections are to take place on Mar. 18. Senators need be present to vote.
B. Accreditation news: M. Eckstrom has completed about a fourth of the Self-Study with the projection that most of the rest will be finished by Spring Break. The written Self-Study will be vetted through the campus community after that.
C. ACCJC has released results of January meeting: every campus maintained their status or improved. There are new standards being formed.
D. There has been some movement on issues involving governance regarding changes to the Governance Manual, and Full-time hiring which need to be codified. The staffing committee has yet to be formed.
E. The SSI presentation has been shown to everyone and will be forwarded to the Task force. Staff Development will create a way to facilitate the implementation of these suggestions.
F. The President will meet with Gary Van Voorhis to develop a way to disseminate a campus syllabus to make sure that all students get the same important information.

III. Unfinished Business
None

IV. New Business
A. Registration Blocks
There is a change in AP 4250 affecting Registration Blocks and the Exec has proposed a resolution:
The Academic Senate recommends changing both the college catalog and AP 4250 so that students must see a counselor after a single semester on academic probation.

The implications to with Financial Aid and operational issues regarding counselors’ added work load were discussed, the motion was passed unanimously.

B. Academic Renewal
A requested change in the number of times academic Renewal can be requested resulted in the following motion coming from the Exec Committee:

**The Academic Senate recommends changing AP 4240 so that academic renewal may occur more than one time.**

Both pros and cons of this change were discussed; the motion was passed with 3 nays.

C. Academic Rank
The Academic Rank Committee has forwarded the following names for promotion. The Committee has not determined the status of Cynthia Lewis.

- **Professor**
  - Kelli Florman
  - Gail Modyman

- **Associate Professor**
  - Katherin Brandt
  - Cynthia Lewis
  - Robert Miller
  - Dorali Pichardo-Diaz

- **Assistant Professor**
  - David Lindy
  - Angela Rhodes

S. Lynch moved that all the promotions be approved and that Cynthia Lewis’s promotion be provisionally approved pending further notification from the Committee which has not yet determined her eligibility based on eminence in the field; the motion was seconded by S. Koelle. The motion was passed without opposition.

D. Fellow of the College
There were two nominations forwarded to the Senate for “Fellow of the College”. On a vote 16 to 6, recorded as a show of hands, M. Carreon was nominated to be the Senate candidate. The motion to nominate was proposed by C. Young, seconded by D. Reyes and the motion was passed unanimously.

V. Committee Reports (none)
- Academic Rank:
- Bookstore:
- Curriculum:
• Distance Education:
• IEC:
• ITC:
• MIS/Enterprise:
• Professional Development/FLEX:
• Program Review:
• Safety:
• SLO:

VI: **Announcements:**
• Safety Drills will occur Feb. 26 and Mar 19.
• C. Young announced that the Drop option on the online rosters is not working.
• K. O'Brien announced that new workshops are being formed and will be announced soon.

VII: **Public Comment:** None

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 2:07 pm.