I. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by the President at 1:00 pm.

II. Approval of Minutes

The minutes were approved without revision.

III. President’s Report

Distinguished Faculty Award: the Distinguished Faculty Award Committee has received nominees and will meet to choose the honoree which will be announced at the May 6th meeting.

BP 1500 which codifies the award has been modified out of a compromise with Administration. The modified language was approved by consensus. A. Brown moved to accept the changes, seconded by S. Johnson; the motion was passed unanimously.

Plenary Report: D. Reyes reported on the results of the Academic Senate State-wide Plenary session. Important issues were the election of a new Pres.: D. Morse. Also of interest were the following resolutions: an endorsement of CC offered BA was defeated. The list of accrediting bodies was modified. AA-T degrees now include ‘P’ grades within majors.

Accreditation: The process at Rio is behind schedule and there is some uncertainty of how and if there will be any vetting of the finished Self-study. A suggestion was made that everything should be vetted on May 1 regardless of the status of the reptr. BP/AP status: many of the outstanding BP/APs have been have been forwarded to PFC.

Other: Information from CCA now indicates that student debt exceeds all credit card debt. Also that nationwide 70% of all faculty are part-time.
Staffing: as results of the Staffing Allocation process there will be 3 automatic replacement hires. Administrative hires do not seemed to be reviewed by any committee.

Reassigned Time: the Administration has announced applications for 6 positions for the coming year.

IV. **New Business**

AP4100 (Graduation Reading Requirements): A motion from the Exec Committee: Change the language in the Reading area to require a degree from a “regionally accredited U.S. institution”. The motion was passed unanimously.

V. **Committee Reports**

DE: M. javanmard submitted the minutes of the Mar. 3 meeting in which the requirements of the certification for online instruction were laid out.

Bookstore

FLEX: the Teaching/Learning Institution will occur on June 3 and 4. K. O’Brien solicited FLEX day ideas.

Curriculum: Apr 25 will be last day to submit items to the committee for this year.

VI. **Announcements:**

RHCFA: K. Pudelko urged members to respond to the upcoming survey.

Baseball: Prospects for the Men’s baseball team are looking very good regarding conference championship.

Writes of Spring: S. LLynch reminded members that this annual event will occur in the coming week.

VII. **Public Comment:**

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 2:09 pm.