Minutes
November 15, 2016
Board Room
1:00 p.m.


Guest: Cecilia Rocha, Ryan Khamkongsay

II. Call to Order: 1:03 p.m.

III. President’s Report
A. Academic Senate Plenary Review
   1. Most of Area C report resolutions passed.
   2. Focus on collaboration and integration of college plans and programs to maximize funding allocations of SSSP, BSI, and Student Equity plans.
   3. Meta Majors discussed and defined as students taking courses with similarities within disciplines to streamline the degree process for students who need flexibility in a major area, avoiding floundering for too many choices to soon; efforts to promote guided pathways.
   4. CID codes—a resolution to support the common language of top codes.
B. Board Policy/Administrative Procedure 6 Year Cycle—will start new process in spring.
C. Faculty Salons—AS President would like to start brown-bag lunch discussions.

IV. Unfinished Business: None

V. New Business
A. Food Insecurity Committee Report
   1. Grab ‘n’ Go snack foods for division offices provided
   2. Hot food provided during finals
   3. Working on more long-term solutions for housing
   4. More than 70% of incoming students from our feeder high schools were on free and reduced lunch programs. RHC students expressed concerns about skipping meals.
   5. Survey of RHC students conducted: 1,800 responses
   6. 47% of students identified as having food insecurity
   7. About 40% said lack of food would be a major factor in dropping out of school
   8. Committee will send survey every year.
   9. Taskforce recommendations: District support and allocation of resources to funding and research. Currently $20,000 has been set aside for these efforts.
   10. Senate asked to provide data about the impact of the Grab ‘n’ Go and other efforts.
11. Committee started contacting community partners such as food pantries. Another Senator cautioned committee to avoid unintended consequence of undermining our bigger goal of fostering independent, responsibility adults. Another Senator commented on the importance of food as a symbol of caring.

VI. Committee Reports
A. Academic Rank—Friday is last day for paperwork!
B. Basic Skills—Basic Skills cohort tracker allows college to see how students are progressing through Basic Skills sequence; a few top codes were inaccurate and now fixed; K12 Summit will be hosted by RHC—let Tyler Okamoto know if you would like to be a part of it.
C. Bookstore—no report.
D. Curriculum—no report.
E. FLEX/Staff Development—call going out for Spring Flex Day workshops; small grants due first week in December.
F. ITC—meeting today.
G. SLOs—Thursday will be a workshop in Board Room at 2:30 p.m.
H. Student Equity—tomorrow We Are American event. Two lines: RSVPs and Stand-by. Followed by VIP reception in Board Room; Student Equity Summit is Dec. 16—need more faculty to attend. RHC Students circulating a Safe Space Campus petition.
I. OEC—School psychologist came to the last meeting to inform regarding inappropriate comments in online classes; a need for a policy for online behavior and investment in resources to create such a policy for online education orientation. A Senator suggested a survey be given regarding the online teaching support needs. Another Senator stated that 40 new courses added last year with no additional clerical staff support added. Another Senator suggested collaboration between student services and faculty on the list of behaviors to be created.
J. IEC—no report.
K. Program Review—many service programs to review this year.
L. Safety—to meet compliance we need to have Nov. 29 earthquake drill at 2:30 p.m. Make sure BECs and BELs have had their training.
M. MIS/Enterprise—meeting tomorrow.

VII. Announcements
A. Men’s and women’s soccer this Saturday night Nov. 19 at home—come support! Top 10 in the state.
B. Auto Baccalaureate program is top 20 program in the nation. Hondo, Auto, and All-Fuels programs met accreditation requirements.

VIII. Public Comment—none.

IX. Adjournment: 2:11 p.m.