



El Camino College Compton Center

FACULTY COUNCIL Thursday, April 7, 2011 BOARD ROOM Minutes

Attendance:

Senators

Leonard Clark
Manzoor Ahmad
Thomas Norton
Art Flemming
Michael Odanaka
Eugene Benson
Darwin Smith
Shemiran Lazar
Estina Pratt
Saul Panski

Administrators/Visitors

Barbara Perez
Danny Villanueva
Susie Dever
Rodney Murray
Toni Wasserberger
Cheryl Threadgill
Chelvi Subramaniam
Ella Stewart
Lauren Gras
Dalia Juarez
Cornelia Lyles
Robert Butler
Dr. Curry

I. Call to Order - Saul Panski

II. Agenda - Ahmad/Pratt - passed.

III. Approval of Minutes - Minutes of 3.17.11 Norton/Pratt - passed.

IV. Reports:

President:

- Vanessa Haynes wants to go to the Plenary. Chris Halligan unable to attend. The body approved it.
- Friday, April 8th - 10:00 a.m. - State of the College address by -Dr. Hudley-Hayes.
- Hands Across Compton – event held earlier today
- Civility and Mutual Respect Policy - Pulled from Consultative Council at CEO'S request, pending discussion with Dr. Fallo. Accordingly, item has not been presented by Compton rep to ECC College Council at this time as well.

V. Discussion Items :

Student Discipline Procedures - Robert Butler

- Textbooks: You cannot remove a student from class for not having textbook.
- Conditions under which a student can be removed from a class—along with accompanying forms—were outlined, as well as signature requirements from faculty. Origin of the procedures and role of Harold Tyler in their formulation was delineated.
- A review of procedures relating to problems with student behavior in class would be advisable for entire faculty at an upcoming Flex Day.

Q&A

Ahmad - Can teachers require a student to buy a book and not permit sharing? **Butler** - No, authority as a professor is only in the grading of students who do not complete work required from a textbook or workbook.

Halligan - Syllabus is a contract with the students. After outlining course requirements, it's in their hands to comply and complete required work, including use of textbook.

Butler - You can tell students their chances of success in the course will be diminished if they do not have the textbook.

Cornelia - What about drugs? What if an instructor believes a student is under the influence of a drug or related substance?

Butler - The state, ECC board, and administration recognize the judgment of the instructor in such instances, not the student.

Chelvi - Instructors and Counselors need to come together and figure out a way to make our students succeed

VP Perez agreed to have a presentation on student discipline and faculty rights at an upcoming Flex Day.

Butler asked faculty to contact him at x2802 if they have any questions related to student discipline and the prerogatives of the faculty in dealing with student behavior.

VI.Action Items:

Revision of Council By-laws—Second Reading

- Motion to Approve - Pratt/Lazar - passed
- Reasons why we want to bring Bylaws up to date were reviewed by Saul, including: -
 1. To have symmetry between our bylaws and the ECC AS bylaws in relation to terms of office for members and officers.
 2. So that we can select a president-elect./chairperson-elect
 3. To limit the terms of the president/ Chairperson

4. No limit of membership to tenured faculty - 3rd or 4th year contract members can now be members.

Program Review Timeline- Second Reading

* Motion to Approve—Pratt/Ahmad--passed

VII. Adjournment:

Halligan indicated that he would do a more comprehensive job in promoting the Brown Bag Lunch sessions for faculty in the next few weeks.

Motion to adjourn:- Halligan/Pratt - passed.