Porterville College Academic Senate

Minutes: April 1, 2011

I. David called the meeting to order at 8:10am.

II. Roll Call: Those in attendance included David Bezayiff, Patrick Chan, Vickie Dugan, Sara French-Unser, Stewart Hathaway, David Hensley, Jeff Keele, Vira Lozano, Miles Vega, Beverly Ward, and Susie Williams. Richard Osborne represented the PC Foundation (non-voting). It was determined that a quorum had been established.

III. The agenda was approved as amended (M-S-P, Vega/Chan).

IV. The minutes of the March 18th meeting were approved as presented.

V. Reports:
   A. Mr. Osborne reported on the Scholarship Awards presentation, encouraging faculty participation next Friday at 5:30pm.
   B. Mr. Chan reported that the Vocational and Technical Education Division will be hosting the CTE Connect event at the Nuckol’s Ranch connecting local businesses, the high schools, and Porterville College.
   C. Mr. Hensley reported that Mr. Darryl Nelson will retire from the Fine Arts Division at the end of this semester.
   D. Ms. Williams reported that CCA elections are in progress, and the PC is still seeking a college representative nominee to place on the ballot.

VI. Old Business:
   A. No nominees have yet stepped forward to serve as president-elect for the Academic Senate for 2011-12.

VII. New Business:
   A. A proposal to move courses in several subject areas from Social Sciences to the Student Services division was discussed. As this was a first hearing, action will be delayed until the next Senate meeting.
   B. It appears that the Program Discontinuance Policy that was developed several years ago may not have ever been officially approved by the Senate. Dr. Keele, Dr. Hathaway, and Ms. Regier will forward the documents on-hand to Senate members for review and formal consideration.
   C. Senate members were asked to glance at Dr. Carlson’s e-mail with ARCC data for information.

Respectfully Submitted,

David Hensley, secretary