



Santa Monica Community College District
District Planning and Advisory Council
MEETING - APRIL 26, 2006
MINUTES

A meeting of the Santa Monica Community College District Planning and Advisory Council (DPAC) was held on Wednesday, **April 26, 2006**, at Santa Monica College, Drescher Hall Room 300-E (the Loft), 1900 Pico Boulevard. Santa Monica, California.

I. Call to Order: 3:07 p.m.

II. Members Present

Randy Lawson, Administration, Chair Designee
Jeff Shimizu, Administration
Christine Schultz, Academic Senate Representative
David Zehr, Academic Senate Representative
Katharine Muller, Management Association President
Al DeSalles, Management Association Representative
Mitra Moassessi, Faculty Association Representative
Bernie Rosenloecher, CSEA President
Leroy Lauer, CSEA Representative
Sadia Afolabi, Associated Students President
Victoria Pregler, Associated Students Representative

Others Present

Bobby Adams
Cherie Bates
Georgia Bauman
Dianne Berman
Pat Brown
Sherri Lee-Lewis
Judy Penchansky
Lee Peterson

DPAC Staff Support

Lisa Rose

III. Announcements:

- Superintendent/President Chui Tsang will be responding to the recommendations approved by DPAC regarding FTE restoration and convening a cost benefit analysis task force

IV. Reviewed and accepted minutes of DPAC meeting March 29, 2006.

V. Reports

A. Planning Subcommittees

- The Budget Planning Subcommittee reviewed budget scenarios and recommended to proceed this year with borrowing 1100 FTEs and to explore the possibility of going into decline/stabilization for 2006-07 as a means of ending the practice of FTEs borrowing.

There is a provision in SB 361 that would reinstate the three-year stability period for districts in decline; however, there is no guarantee that SB 361 and/or stabilization will pass. If passed, the Chancellor's Office can authorize the college to proceed with the plan to go into decline for 2006-07 (reflecting FTEs borrowed) and go into stability next year. A total of 28 districts are in decline.

The vice-presidents will be reviewing budget reductions as submitted through their respective departments and present information to the budget planning subcommittee for review.

- College Services Planning: No report
- Facilities Planning: Dianne Berman, Co-Chair reported that a temporary office for the Superintendent/President will be located in Liberal Arts North building and that a permanent location will be planned for either Drescher Hall or Liberal Arts south.
- Human Resources Planning: No report
- Technology Planning: No report

B. Academic Senate Joint Committees

- The Curriculum Committee: David Zehr reported that discussion included plus-minus grading, the graduation proficiency exam, and the fashion department program review.
- The Program Review Committee completed Photography/Fashion Department and DSPS; another department is scheduled for next week. A number of departments have been postponed. Hopefully, the program review process will be spread more evenly throughout the year in the future.
- The Student Affairs Committee reviewed a proposal for honor code/council and graduation requirements.

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V. Agenda

Public Comments - None

- A. 2005-06 Master Plan for Education: Status of Institutional Objectives 18-24, Community of Mutual Respect. Reports were made by Sherri Lee Lewis, Pat Brown and Cherie Bates addressing objectives 18-24.
- B. Budget Scenarios: There will be an update and possibly a recommendation from the Budget Planning Subcommittee at the next meeting.

C. Recommendation from Budget Planning Subcommittee regarding filling of classified positions:

The Budget Committee recommends that, where applicable, the work being assigned to overtime/provisional/temporary/consultants be assigned to full time classified employees and that classified positions currently unfilled be a priority in the hiring process.

It was clarified that classified positions are not frozen or on hold. Each position is being reviewed carefully and prioritized as the District deals with reductions to the operating budget. There will be no movement on classified positions until this process is completed. Human Resources takes direction from senior staff with regards to the filling vacancies and replacing positions.

It was suggested that circumstances necessitating overtime, provisional, temporary and consultant assignments need to be taken into consideration since it may not be appropriate for a full-time classified position. The following information was also requested:

- How many classified positions are funded in this year's budget?
- How many classified positions have been filled since July 1, 2005?
- How many separations since July 1, 2005?

The process for filling classified positions through the Personnel Commission was clarified by Cherie Bates.

VI. Adjournment: 4:35 p.m.

DPAC Meetings schedule, through June 2006:

May 10, 24
June 14, 28

VII. Council of Presidents Meeting

The Council of Presidents set the agenda for the May 10, 2006 DPAC meeting.

- 2005-06 Master Plan for Education: Status of Institutional Objectives #32-#36
- Budget Scenarios
- Classified Vacancies
- Planning Process for 2006-07