



Santa Monica Community College District
District Planning and Advisory Council
MEETING - MAY 10, 2006
MINUTES

A meeting of the Santa Monica Community College District Planning and Advisory Council (DPAC) was held on Wednesday, **May 10, 2006**, at Santa Monica College, Drescher Hall Room 300-E (the Loft), 1900 Pico Boulevard, Santa Monica, California.

I. Call to Order: 3:05 p.m.

II. Members Present

Jeff Shimizu, Administration
Richard Tahvildaran-Jesswin, Academic Senate President
Lesley Kawaguchi, Academic Senate Representative
Katharine Muller, Management Association President
Teresita Rodriguez, Management Association Representative
Lantz Simpson, Faculty Association President
Mitra Moassessi, Faculty Association Representative
Bernie Rosenloecher, CSEA President
Leroy Lauer, CSEA Representative
Sadia Afolabi, Associated Students President
Jonathan Michaeli, Associated Students Representative

Others Present

Georgia Bauman
Dianne Berman
Alan Buckley
Patricia Burson
John Gonzalez
David Muller
Jacqueline Nagatsuka
Judy Penchansky
Lee Peterson
Christine Schultz
David Zehr

DPAC Staff Support

Lisa Rose

III. Announcements:

- In the absence of Randal Lawson, Richard Tahvildaran-Jesswein chaired the meeting.
- Jeff Shimizu reported that in response to DPAC's recommendation regarding FTE restoration and convening a cost benefit analysis task force, Superintendent/President Chui Tsang thanked DPAC for the two recommendations and stated that he is not prepared to give an official response back at this time.
- Richard Tahvildaran-Jesswein commented that Dr. Tsang has not officially responded to DPAC's recommendation that the District hire full-time faculty at least equal to the number who have officially retired and hopes that a response is forthcoming.

IV. Reviewed and accepted minutes of DPAC meeting April 27, 2006.

V. Agenda

Public Comments - None

1. 2005-06 Master Plan for Education: Status of Institutional Objectives 32-34, Community Partnerships, and Objectives 35-26, Supportive Physical Environment were provided by Marvin Martinez and David Muller.
2. Budget Scenarios: A document with three budget scenarios was distributed. Mitra Moassessi, co-chair of the Budget Planning Subcommittee, announced that only the revenue information included in the scenarios had been reviewed by the Budget Committee and that its recommendation was based on the assumptions of scenario 3; the expenditure information had not been reviewed and the co-chair Reagan Romali was not present to respond to questions. Therefore, she requested that since this document is not a reflection of the Budget Committee's action, it should not be included in the minutes. There was consensus to not include the document, and it was requested a coordinated report from Co-chairs Reagan Romali and Mitra Moassessi to be presented at the next meeting.
3. Classified Vacancies: Information was provided regarding the number of new and vacant classified positions funded in this year's budget, the number of classified positions filled and the number of separations since July 1, 2005. The net gain is eight classified positions.

Motion was made by Bernie Rosenloecher and seconded by Lantz Simpson that DPAC recommend that the two groundskeeper positions currently in process in the Personnel Commission office be filled by the two people on the reemployment list.

Discussion included concerns about the appropriateness of DPAC to recommend filling classified vacancies; the need to prioritize vacant classified positions based on the total list of vacancies, not based on a reemployment list; the reminder to DPAC that decisions need to be made in a global sense, not in a vacuum; and the need to understand the process of filling new and vacant positions. It was suggested that Cherie Bates, Sherri Lee-Lewis and Reagan Romali be invited to the next meeting to make a presentation, followed by a question and answer period.

Following is the vote on the recommendation:

Ayes: 8 (Academic Senate*, Faculty Association, CSEA, Associated Students)

Noes: 2 (Administration, Management Association)

*Richard Tahvildaran-Jesswein explained that he voted in favor of this recommendation because the process is dysfunctional and he hopes that the District can work towards a process that is more transparent.

4. Planning Process for 2006-07: Tabled until next meeting.

VI. Adjournment: 4:17 p.m.
DPAC Meetings schedule, through June 2006:
May 24
June 14, 28

VII. Council of Presidents Meeting

The Council of Presidents set the agenda for the May 24, 2006 DPAC meeting.

- Superintendent/President's response to previous DPAC recommendations
- Planning Process for 2006-07
- Classified positions: Overview of hiring process, budgeting