



Academic Senate
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Academic Senate Meeting Minutes

May 19, 2020 (Convened at 5:15 pm) on Zoom

Attendees: Shawn Abbott, David Blink, Natalie Bradley, Rhonda Brown, Liz Carlyle, Neil Carpentier-Alting, Wenli Chang, Dave Clarke, Hallie Coppi, Andrea Craddock, Katie Elwood, Maria Fernandez, Tim Frisbee, Karen Harper, Jenny Heath, Sean Kenny, Ed Kephart, Ann Klein, Shirley Louie, Kim Parham, Charlie Roche, Ron Slabbinck, Patrice Thatcher-Stephens, Mike Tischler, Jayne Turk, Chris Vancil, Alison Varty, and Carly Zeller. Dr. Char Perlas, Val Roberts, Meghan Witherell, Dr. Nathan Rexford, Dennis Roberts, Kim Peacemaker, and Sarah Kirby also attended the meeting.

A. No Public Comment – No public comment given.

B. Action / Discussion Items

- a. **Senate Exec Resolutions** – The Senate Exec put forward a resolution for discussion and approval from the Academic Senate
 - Resolution #5 pertains to affirming that assigning grades is under the purview of faculty (Resolutions #1 and #2 were passed on Oct 4, 2019 and Nov 5, 2019, respectively. Resolutions #3 and #4 were passed on March 3, 2020)
 1. David Clarke called the question; motion passed

*****Resolution #5*** - College of the Siskiyous Academic Senate Resolution: Faculty Assignment of Grades**

Whereas grade assignment(evaluative and non-evaluative) is under the purview of the faculty;

Whereas § 55205 of Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations states that, “In any course of instruction in a community college district for which grades are awarded, the instructor of the course shall determine the grade to be awarded each student in accordance with this article.”

Whereas the Educational Codes Section 76224 states that, “When grades are given for any course of instruction taught in a community college district, the grade given to each student shall be the grade determined by the instructor of the course and the determination of the

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student's grade by the instructor, in the absence of mistake, fraud, bad faith, or incompetency, shall be final."

Be it therefore resolved:

The Academic Senate affirms that grade assignment (evaluative and non-evaluative) is the prerogative of the faculty. Under Title 5, the California Education Code, and its own administrative procedures, Administration must accept and adhere to the grade assignments made by faculty.

Adjournment: 6:00 pm

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