



**Los Rios Community College District
District Academic Senate
2017-2018**

DAS President Carlos López
 ARC President Gary Aguilar
 CRC President Shannon Mills
 FLC President Paula Haug
 SCC President Troy Myers

District Office
 Main Conference Room
 Tuesday, April 17, 2018
 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Approved Minutes

Roster			
Carlos Lopez	FLC	DAS President	X
Dan Crump	ARC	DAS Secretary	X
Gary Aguilar	ARC	AS President	X
Alisa Shubb	ARC	AS Vice President	
Janay Lovering	ARC	AS Secretary	X
Tony Giusti	ARC	AS Past President	
Shannon Mills	CRC	AS President	X
Constance Carter	CRC	AS Vice President	X
Donnisha Lugo	CRC	AS Secretary	Excused
Julie Oliver	CRC	AS Past President	X
Paula Haug	FLC	AS President	X
Tina Royer	FLC	AS Vice President	X
Francis Fletcher	FLC	AS Secretary	X
Troy Myers	SCC	AS President	X
Steve Cirrone	SCC	AS Vice President	
Gayle Pitman	SCC	AS Secretary	X
Ginni May	SCC	AS Past President	Excused
Dyan Pease	SCC	District Curriculum Coordinating Committee (DCCC)	X
Alice Dieli	SCC	District Educational Technology Committee (DETC)	Excused

Judy Mays	ARC	District Matriculation & Student Success Committee (DMSSC)	X
K C Boylan	FLC	Los Rios Colleges Federation of Teachers (LRCFT)	X
Guests:			
Tim Finnecey	ARC	Faculty	X
Kathleen Sullivan-Torrez	ARC	Faculty	X
Connie Zuercher	SCC	Faculty	X
Larry Savidge	DO	Chief of Police	X

Preliminaries

1. Call to Order t 3:07pm.

- Introduction of Guests---see Roster.
- Approval of the Agenda---approved.
- Approval of the Minutes (4/3/18)---approved.
- Announcements---CUE (Center for Urban Education) meeting on April 27.
- Public Comment (3 minutes per person as time permits)

Connie Zuercher spoke to a discussion item (District Graduation Requirements) that first appeared on the agenda for the March 6 DAS meeting (based on senate presidents' reports from February 20). She expressed concern to the lack of process and that the agenda item was brought up in an advertent manner. Her understanding was the agenda item was based on a personal request and seen to be a request of the local senate.

Upon reflection by several DAS members, it was noted that we need to have a discussion at the Fall DAS Retreat on how agenda items can be brought forward and a general review of the Constitution.

Information Items

1. Recap of ASCCC Spring Plenary

It was noted that almost all the resolutions presented were approved by the body and that they should be available on the ASCCC website (www.asccc.org) within the next week. Congratulations was expressed to Ginni May upon her election as ASCCC Treasurer and thanks was given to the LRCFT for funding a major portion of the traditional Los Rios Thursday Night Plenary Dinner.

It was also noted that one of the general sessions featured a panel of three of the vice chancellors at the state Chancellor's Office (Laura Hope, Theresa Tena, and Van Ton-Quinlivan) and concern was expressed when one of the panelists mentioned that "consultation is now truncated." It was also noted that ASCCC President Julie Bruno stated to the vice chancellors that "we (ASCCC) are here to help, we are good at that."

2. Recap of April 11 Board of Trustees meeting

- Started with the swearing in of Larry Savidge as the Los Rios Chief of Police. Chief Savidge also joined DAS today and talked about his background and noted that he is making visits to different groups at each of the colleges, including senates. DAS members noted that faculty members have a concern about safety and that there was a resolution from the ARC Academic Senate on increasing

the number of police officers at ARC. It was noted that there is general faculty and classified support for increasing the number of police officers district-wide. Savidge noted the concerns of competing with local law enforcement agencies for officers. Concerns about messaging (e.g. of timeliness and content of texts at ARC and SCC) were expressed. Savidge noted that he will be meeting with the college public information officers to work on messaging issues and one message template for responses.

- Theresa Matista has been appointed to the position of Deputy Chancellor.
- A vote on the proposed Student Health Fee was deferred and Vice Chancellor Nye will be presenting at a later board meeting.
- Pablo Manzo, Associate Vice Chancellor, Facilities Management, presented on sustainability. The state has a goal of reaching 50% net zero cost in use of energy by 2025. The contract with SMUD meets 40% of energy reduction and the next 10% will be accomplished through the use of the Ad Astra scheduling system (because of universal facilities use awareness).

3. Recap of Special Chancellor’s Cabinet meeting

There will be new language proposed for the District Policy on Ban of Consensual Relationships with Students. Much of the Special Chancellor’s Cabinet meeting was spent sharing how Los Rios addresses sexual harassment training and investigations. Thirty minutes were dedicated to discussion of the new policies.

Lopez noted that they are taking the feedback of academic senate presidents.

Decision Items

1. Confirmation of Carlos Lopez as DAS President

Aguilar conducted meeting for this agenda item.

Action: Motion to confirm Lopez

M/S/U Mills/Carter

2. Edits to Regulation 3412 regarding District Academic Senate (first reading)

Lopez reminded DAS members to check the Google Doc set up for edits. We need to look at clarifying the recommendation authority of DAS on issues. He noted that R-3412 will require more editing as it also needs to address the concerns of the DM&SSC. JP Sherry has confirmed that this policy will be addressed next academic year.

Discussion Items

1. AB 705 Compensation for Faculty Leads

We need to establish which faculty will be compensated for their work on AB 705.

Lopez was charged with requesting more compensation (4-Math, 4-English, 2-Reading, 2-ESL). Currently there is 2.0 FTE being offered---it is felt that more is needed. There is a list of faculty members doing work who are not on the “official” AB 705 list.

2. Edits to Policy 8641 regarding Consensual Relationships (Lopez)

General Counsel Sherry sent four more policies dealing with the Ban on Consensual Relationships with Students. Lopez requested that senators read and look at this language. He will put it on the Google Doc for senators to provide feedback, comments, and concerns.

There will be a Chancellor's Cabinet on April 23, but Lopez is not sure if this will be on agenda. There will also be a special meeting on May 9---Boylan noted that she asked this to be on the agenda, and the topic of that meeting to be sexual harassment. Concern expressed about the language of a teacher or program being the "only one in district" and how that affects enrollment of students in a consensual relationship. There was also mention of situations where such relationships might alter grading policies.

Action:

DAS members to provide Lopez feedback.

3. Mental Health Work Group Update (Pitman)

Pitman gave background on the District Mental Health Work Group which has been in operation for about the last two years. In the first year, there was a report which was presented to the Board. This year, the group met to develop a proposal with an X, Y, Z budget. The hope is that part of any funds from an expected student health fee could support mental health services and positions (e.g. mental health psychologist, mental health nurse with the ability to prescribe medications on a short-term basis, mental health interns). Since the proposal was developed, a few things have happened. The District was awarded a grant of \$350,000 with matching funds for a total of \$700,000) from the Chancellor's Office---<http://extranet.cccco.edu/Divisions/StudentServices/MentalHealthServices.aspx>---and one of the provisions of the grant is to partner with a community group, and---WellspaceHealth (formerly The Effort) will be the community group for Los Rios. The Mental Health Work Group has sunset and there is now a Student Health Services Fee Work Group (Melanie Dixon is the chair of the new work group). Concerns have been expressed by members of the Mental Health Work Group that discussion of this initiative did not come through the senates (i.e. the collegial consultation process) and also that more could be done with in-house staff. The Mental Health Work Group would have liked to be informed, and possibly included in the discussions about services.

4. Proposed Health Services Fee Policy-2523

It is anticipated that the fee would be \$20/term for both the Fall and Spring semesters (no fee for Summer term).

Concern has been expressed whether funds from this student health services fee would supplant current services (funded from the General Fund) or would provide additional services. It is also hoped that funds from the fee can provide for additional full-time college nurses---several colleges have been told in the past that college nurse positions would not be possible without such a fee.

Mays also opined that DM&SSC might be a good umbrella group for work groups dealing with issues such as health service, equity, and DACA.

It is important to have the voice of faculty, especially college nurses and counselors, in any discussion of such a health services fee and important that appointments to any work or task groups be done as soon as possible. In a conversation with senate presidents, Vice Chancellor Nye stated that faculty will definitely be involved with the Student Health Services fee.

The District has made it clear that the Student Health Services Fee policy is not a 10+1 issue calling for collegial consultation. It is the declaration of DAS that how such a fee is approved or collected might not be a 10+1 issue, but how it is implemented and used is definitely such an issue.

DAS also will request that DAS have an appointment to the Student Health Services Fee and Lopez appointed Pitman.

During the discussions about the grant funding for mental health services, it was reported that a private grant group from Washington DC has a 90-day contract to identify potential grant opportunities.

Action:

Lopez to find out about this group.

Reports

1. Meeting with Chancellor---none. King is on a Cap-to-Cap visit.
The senate presidents plan to meet on May 1 with both King and Nye.
2. College Academic Senate President Reports
SCC---no report.
CRC---work on pathways
FLC---Recent hiring committee was not able to use the process provided for supplemental questions and was not notified of this until the search committee had received the applications. Committee is going forward with only 72 hours to review the applications. Lopez noted that Cox and/or Rosario will be addressing DAS on May 1---on the issue of equivalency and supplemental questions
It was the recommendation of the FLC Curriculum Committee to explore the other GE patterns for the local degree and the recommendation was confirmed by the senate.
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ARC---English applications have not yet been released.
3. District Curriculum Coordinating Committee (DCCC) (Pease)—no report.
4. District Matriculation & Student Success Committee (DM&SSC) (Mays)---see Attachment A. The chair for next year will be Angelena Lambert, (SCC Math faculty).
5. District Educational Technology Committee (DETC) (Dieli)---see Attachment B---not a formal report, but report of some issues via an email from Dieli.
6. Academic Senate for California Community Colleges (ASCCC) (May)---no report.
7. Los Rios College Federation of Teachers (LRCFT) (Presidents/Perrone)---no report.

Future Agenda Items

1. Consideration to explore the use of CSU GE and IGETC as satisfying the GE pattern for the local degree
2. Online Education Initiative (OEI) Exchange Update (Dieli)
3. Update of Research into Noncredit Viability at LRCCD (Crump, May)
4. Policy for Excused Withdraws (EW) Grade

Future Events

Next DAS meeting – April 17, 3:00-5:00, DO

- LRCCD Board of Trustees Meeting, April 11, Sacramento City College
- ASCCC 2018 Spring Plenary Session, April 12-14, San Mateo Marriott
- ASCCC 2018 CTE Leadership Institute, May 4-5, Southern California
- ASCCC Faculty Leadership Institute, June 14-16, Sheraton Park Hotel, Anaheim
- ASCCC Curriculum Institute, July 11-14, Southern California

Adjourned at: 4:57pm



ATTACHMENT A:

District Matriculation & Student Success Committee
Report to District Academic Senate
April 17, 2018

a. Continued discussion of DMSSC work in relation to new initiatives; responses/feedback from local Matriculation & Student Success Committees – Discussion revolved around keeping any new committee charge as comprehensive as possible. Existing or soon to be launched college areas or functions that could be included in a proposal and which do not have any current district coordination or oversight include priority registration, mental health, Student Experience Lifecycle (SEL) and student equity. This does not imply that a standing committee would exist for each function or area, but rather workgroups could be formed as needed to address specific issues. There was strong support, however, for a standalone Student Equity Committee. A formal proposal from DMSSC to the District Academic Senate could be presented in the near future. It was noted that attempting to structure the DMSSC based on campus governance structures will not work because every campus in the District has a different structure. A recommendation to bring existing district wide workgroups (i.e. Orientation, Probation & Dismissed Students, iSEP, etc.) under DMSSC would be proposed and assessment would take place to determine whether ongoing meetings are necessary.

b. Priority registration categories and number of students in each category – is there basis for updating priority registration guidelines as a way to incentivize enrollment for students enrolled in their first semester? – This agenda item was proposed as a way to incentivize enrolling in subsequent semesters by giving students additional registration priority based on units in progress. Of particular concern is the fact that students in their first semester do not enroll until the tail end of priority one registration and are in the same category as newly matriculated students. Pros and cons were discussed and it was strongly suggested that the committee first collect data which reflects how many students actually take advantage of their priority registration date before making adjustments to current guidelines. It was also noted that the move to Guided Pathways along with the changes in the way students are placed in English and math will impact student’s course taking behavior in the future. Data on the number of students who register on their assigned priority registration date will be requested to better inform this discussion and any potential proposal from the group.

ATTACHMENT B:

The DETC has not met since our last DAS meeting, so there is no new report.

1) However, I did hear that the Accessibility Task Force did not accept the DETC recommendation concerning the use of ALLY, but has instead designed an alternative approach to gathering information from faculty Canvas classes and

2) There is no update on the status of any LRCCD college and the OEI Course Exchange. If I receive any confirmable news on the status of an LRCCD college and the OEI Course Exchange, I will pass it on to our Senate and to you.