

# **THE ACADEMIC SENATE OF GROSSMONT COLLEGE**

## **MINUTES of the REGULAR MEETING on DECEMBER 2, 1996**

### **Those Present:**

**Sheridan DeWolf - President, Dave Wertlieb - Vice President, Barry Winn - Senate Officer at Large, Peg Hovde - Past President, Behavioral Science - Gregg Robinson-Teresa Jacob, Biology - Ruth Botten, Business Office Technology - Jo Messina-Mike Weinberg, Cardiovascular Technology - Rick Kirby, Chemistry - Bill Bornhorst-John Maley, Counseling and Student Development - Peggy Shephard-Donne Leigh, Disabled Student Services-Mary Paschke, Earth Sciences - Wayne Harmon-Tim Cliffe, Family and Consumer Studies - Mary Hubbard, Foreign Languages- Muriel Vitaglione, History - Mel Amov, Humanities - Hoke Simpson, Mathematics - Bill Bradley-Dave Lunsford, Nursing - Ann Burgess, Physical Education, Recreation, Health Education - Brian Sos-Laura Sim, Physical Science - Patti Tsai, Political Economy - Larry Smith, Staff Development - Cathie Robertson**

### **I. PRELIMINARY ITEMS**

The meeting was called to order at 11:15. The agenda was corrected to change the Information Items to Action Items as they were meant to be. The Action Items were also reordered so that item E. was moved to become item B. Approval of the Agenda M/S/U Wertlieb, Winn. The minutes of November 18 and November 25 were approved, M/S/U Wertlieb, Winn.

### **II. SPECIAL INFORMATION ITEM**

- A. Sheridan announced the President -elect election results. Hope Simpson received 91 votes and there were 9 write-in votes for other candidates.
- B. Tony Zambelli, President of the Cuyamaca Academic Senate, presented the Cuyamaca College's Strategic Plan. He was accompanied by Jim Custeau and Pam Connelly, a faculty member of the task force that put the plan together. The plan requests six new faculty positions, two in English, two in Math, one in C.I.S. and one in Spanish. There may be another in Biology. The Cuyamaca faculty fully supports the plan. The new positions were selected by the faculty. The Cuyamaca College Academic Senate was kept informed and endorse the positions and the plan. Tony answered questions about the criteria for the plan and the conceptual framework upon which the plan is based. There was a question about a "secret report" that Cuyamaca never make its goal. Tony responded that he did not know of a secret report but there is a DRAFT report: "Learning Success and Student Outreach" by David Agosto, Vice-President of Student Services. The report is an evaluation of data on challenges to attaining self-sufficiency. The draft report is in the working stages and is being revised but it is not secret. The report deals with programs to increase persistence which will increase enrollment. There were other questions about the cost of running Cuyamaca College and its current enrollment. Tony said there is real growth in the student enrollment at Cuyamaca College. The head count has grown from 5800 in Fall 1995 to 6600 for Fall 1996. At this time Cuyamaca appears to have the largest reported growth rate in state. On persistence, Tony is hopeful that Cuyamaca will be able to raise its persistence from 40% to closer to the state average of 60% which will in turn increase the enrollment or number of units taken by its students.

### **III. ACTION ITEMS**

A. Resolution to approve course content of the New Faculty Orientation Course: The resolution was modified to read: Resolution to approve the New Faculty Orientation Course as a pilot program to be run and then reevaluated at the end of Spring 1997 semester at which time the program will be returned to Senate for a final vote, There was a lengthy discussion of the resolution and its history. Beth Smith said the course serves two groups. It is an orientation for the new faculty and it is a master teacher course. She wanted the course to be one or the other but not both. How was it planned? Is it concrete? How does it reconcile differences between the two colleges, i.e. the structures of the curriculum and program review committees? Barry Winn asked that the Senate approve the course in concept only. Laura Sim asked what if a teacher cannot participate in a given semester? Cathy Robertson answered that the course is not required but rather than a option for the new faculty. The course is open to every faculty member new or old, full-time or adjunct. Sheridan DeWolf gave a brief review of the history of the proposal. The course came to the senate at its first meetings this semester and was reviewed. At that time a committee with faculty and administrators was set up to revise the course content and then to bring the revised course content back to the senate for a second review. There was additional discussion and a call for the question. At this point a vote was taken and the resolution was passed 14 approve and 10 against. Then was a call from Mary Hubbard to revote. After discussion the vote was taken again and resolution failed: 12 votes against and 11 approval and 1 abstention.

B. Resolution to form a task forced on shared governance whose membership is open to all interested Grossmont College Faculty members and subject to the consent of the Senate, and whose charge is to clarify and define the processes for reaching agreement with the Board of Trustees on matters of shared governance in AB1725 and Title 5 Guidelines. Hoke Simpson opened the discussion by modifying the resolution: change "task force" to "committee"; omit "open to all interested Grossmont College Faculty Members "instead say" whose voting membership will be one representative from each department"; and add there will be two subcommittees, the first on research and analysis and the second on AB1725 and Title 5 matters. The resolution was tabled to the first meeting in February, 1997 when it could be considered at a length.

C. Resolution to reestablish the Ad Hoc Committee of the Academic Senate and to approve its new charge and membership. This resolution was pulled by its maker, Mel Amov.

D. Resolution from the Ad Hoc Committee.... This resolution appears to be moot and Sheridan will check with its maker, Mike Matherly, to see if he would prefer to pull it.

E. Appointment of three faculty members to serve on the Scholarship Advisory Committee. Sheridan in her capacity as Senate President will appoint the three faculty members.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:25pm.