Notes from ACADEMIC SENATE PART-TIME FACULTY COMMITTEE

Monday, October 22, 2012; 11-12:30, College Conference Room

Present: Michael Lambe, David Milroy, Melanie Quinn, Alan Silva, Dan Greenheck, Barbara Blanchard, Sheridan DeWolf. Department Representatives: Becki Thompson-Biology, Michael Orr-Math. Guests: Patrice Braswell-Burris-AS Rep, Sue Gonda-AS President, Linda Snider-Academic Rank Committee Representative, Linda Thomas-English, Dr. Cindy Miles-Chancellor.

I. Welcome and Introductions

Michael welcomed everyone and introduced Linda Snider to the committee.

A motion was made to approve the day's agenda with the following additions; Chancellor Miles will make an informal visit to the committee today; additional items

- VI. Report from Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee-David Milroy
- VII. Update on office availability

M/S/U Silva/Braswell-Burris

A motion was made to approve the minutes from the September 24, 2012 meeting.

M/S/U Silva/Greenheck

II. Resolution for Part-Time Rank-Linda Snider/Michael Lambe

Michael presented the draft "Academic Rank Policy for Adjunct Faculty". Michael reviewed the discussion and process the Academic Rank Committee went through to create the draft. Discussion occurred regarding the criteria for rank. It was agreed a subcommittee/taskforce would work on the draft to create criteria more appropriate for part-time faculty. Michael, Dan and Lynda volunteered for the subcommittee.

Discussion followed regarding the use of "adjunct faculty" or "part-time faculty" in the proposed draft. It was noted that "adjunct" is a collegial term, but many prefer "part-time". All agreed they would like to survey the part-time faculty at GC for their preference. Rochelle will create a survey through Survey Monkey.

III. Academic Senate Part-Time Faculty Caucus Resolution supporting inclusion of Part-Time Faculty as Senate Representatives

Dr. Miles arrived prior to this item so discussion was delayed in order to allow time for her to talk with the committee.

Michael presented the draft resolution in support of part-time faculty participation in local Senates. He reviewed the recommendations from SOC. Discussion followed, the following items were recommended for the resolved section;

Be it therefore resolved that every California Community College Senate is encouraged to develop a structure that includes part-time faculty serving as Senators.

It was also suggested that a model for inclusion be added. Michael will work on revisions, forward an updated copy to the committee to be reviewed to forward to the Fall Plenary Session.

IV. Follow-up Open Letter to Part-Time Faculty-Michael Lambe

This item will return on the next agenda.

V. December meeting date

This item will return on the next agenda.

VI. Report from Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee-David Milroy

This item will return on the next agenda.

VII. Offices update-Alan Silva

This item will return on the next agenda.

Notes from Dr. Miles visit:

Dr. Miles thanked the committee for the opportunity to attend their meeting. She shared she began her career as an adjunct instructor and noted that students see you as their instructor regardless of part-time or full time status and thanked the members for their work with students.

Dr. Miles noted that her tenure as Chancellor has occurred during the most challenging of times due to the budget situation. She acknowledged Proposition 30 is important to education throughout California and important to GCCCD; it would supply much needed funding to schools and community colleges. She reported that Proposition V Facilities Bond measure would provide funding for updating and renovating facilities at both Grossmont and Cuyamaca. It was noted Prop V is for local voters and is polling well.

Dr. Miles reported that students are more engaged and attraction is down. She noted cohort programs at both colleges that are contributing to student success.

When asked about AFT and District relations Dr. Miles reported that AFT is present at the Districtwide Executive Council and the Districtwide Strategic Planning & Budget Council and that she and Jim Mahler have a good working relationship. She noted there are no active negotiations right now, but that the Part-Time faculty should continue to keep active with the union for when the contract is open.

Michael thanked Dr. Miles for her support of the committee and part-time faculty within the district.

Closing notes: Michael noted the items not covered due to time constraints would appear on the next agenda.

Meeting adjourned 12:30pm

Next Meeting November 26, College Conference Room