



**ACADEMIC SENATE MEETING  
APPROVED MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 4, 2016**

**Members Present:** Curtis Martin (President), Steve Amador (Vice President/Parliamentarian), Bill Anelli (Secretary), Belen Robinson, Bob Droual, Deborah Laffranchini (Legislative Analyst), Allan McKissick, Annaliese Hausler-Akpovi, Ashley Yu, Elizabeth David, Ellen Dambrosio, Eva Mo, Hans Hauselmann, Jim Howen, Jim Stevens, Kevin Alavezos, Mike Adams, Paul Berger, Shelley Circle, Teri Curtis

**Members Absent:** David Chapman, David Seymour, Duane Brooks, Eric Ivory, Gail Brumley, Lisa Riggs, Lonita Cordova, Tommy Ledesma (President of ASMJC)

**Guests Present:** Al Alt, Brad Machado, ASMJC, Brenda Thames, Gabriel Tovar, James Todd, Jill Stearns, Michelle Christopherson (Faculty Liaison to the Board), Mike Smedshammer, W. J. Holly

- I. MINI LESSON – Steve Amador
- II. APPROVAL OF ORDER OF AGENDA ITEMS
- III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES (January 21, 2016)
- IV. OPEN COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

President Stearns, VPI Brenda Thames, VPSS James Todd, and VPCAS Al Alt each gave a presentation on their efforts to address concerns over meeting the institution's FTES target for 2015-16, the potential impact on the institution, and planned and ongoing measures to increase FTES, and student access, retention, and success. The presentations lasted close to 1 hour.

- V. CONSENT AGENDA
  1. Board of Trustees Policies and Procedures: 3435, 3560, 5530
  2. Appoint Lonita Cordova as Academic Senate rep to College Council for the spring 2016 semester.
  3. Appoint Erik Maki, Anne Martin, David Chapman, Alejandro Sabre and Rob Stevenson to the Selection Committee for the Instructor of Music/Conductor of Choral Activities and Vocal Studies position.
  4. Appoint Michelle Christopherson, Tim Hobert, and Emily Malsam to serve as Equivalency Pre-Screening Committee for English-Adjunct position.

Approved by consensus, except BP 3435 and 5530 which were pulled and referred to the YFA as they involve negotiable items.

- VI. REPORTS
  - A. ASMJC Senate – Tommy Ledesma
  - B. President's Report – Curtis Martin
  - C. Accreditation Council – Brian Greene
  - D. Legislative Analyst Report – Deborah Laffranchini
  - E. Instruction Council – Deborah Laffranchini
  - F. Facilities Council – Jim Howen
  - G. Resource Allocation Council – Kevin Alavezos
  - H. College Council – Bill Anelli
  - I. Faculty Representative to the Board – Michelle Christopherson
  - J. Curriculum Committee – Steve Amador
  - K. Distance Education Committee – Eva Mo
  - L. Student Services Council – Ross McKenzie
  - M. Faculty Professional Development Coordinating Committee and PDCC – Bill Anelli
  - N. Outcomes Assessment Work Group – Nita Gopal (OAW)
  - O. District Advisory Technology Committee – John Zamora

**VII. ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**A. New and Continuing Business**

1. Canvas presentation – Mike Smedshammer
  - a. M. Smedshammer unveiled Canvas for the Academic Senate. The new LMS will be fully implemented by Fall 2017. Professor Smedshammer discussed the strengths over past LMS'. Faculty already familiar with the system provided testimonials to its effectiveness and ease of use over Blackboard. Senate engaged in a discussion of the new system. Among the topics was how it would be rolled out, migrating Blackboard to Canvas, and Canvas's ability to house learning outcomes linked to specific class assessments.
2. Program Discontinuance Proposal Review – (20 minutes) Discussion Postponed.
3. Resolution F15-E: Assessment Exemption Proposal, 2nd Reading (Early Placement in High School) (10 minutes) Postponed
4. FTES: A Senate Discussion
  - a. The Academic Senate discussed the earlier presentation by the executive leadership related to the FTES target for 2015-16. The Senate encouraged the Academic Senate President to closely follow the issue and to report back to the Senate on any potential impact on faculty and the institution.

**VIII. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

**VIII. OPEN COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

**IX. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS**

**X. ANNOUNCEMENTS – Next Senate meeting – February 18, 2016**

**XI. OPEN COMMENTS FROM SENATORS**

**XII. ADJOURNMENT**

In accordance with the Ralph M. Brown Act and SB 751, minutes of the MJC Academic Senate records the votes of all committee members as follows. (1) Members recorded as absent are presumed not to have voted; (2) the names of members voting in the minority or abstaining are recorded; (3) all other members are presumed to have voted in the majority."