

**LOS MEDANOS
COLLEGE**

Shared Governance Council

MINUTES

April 13, 2016

2:00 - 4:00 p.m., Room CO-420

MEMBERS PRESENT: Louie Giambattista, Natalie Hannum, Sable Horton, Laurie Huffman, Linda Kohler, Bob Kratochvil, Darren Meeks, Ginny Richards, Tabitha Romero, Carla Rosas, Arzu Smith, Jamila Stewart, Grace Villegas

COMMITTEE SUPPORT: Jennifer Adams

Item #	Topic/Activity	Handouts/ References	Action(s)
STANDING ITEMS:			
1.	Public Comment – N/A		
2.	Welcome & Introductions President Kratochvil welcomed everyone to the meeting.		
3.	Review <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agenda for April 13, 2016 The agenda was reviewed and approved by the Council members. MSC: Hannum/Romero. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Yeas – Giambattista, Hannum, Horton, Huffman, Kohler, Meeks, Richards, Romero, Rosas, Smith, Stewart, Villegas;</i> ○ <i>Nays – N/A; Abstentions – N/A.</i> • Minutes (draft) from March 9th and March 30th The Council members reviewed and approved the draft minutes from March 9th and 30th: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ March 9th, MSC: Villegas/Huffman. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Yeas – Giambattista, Hannum, Horton, Huffman, Kohler, Meeks, Richards, Romero, Rosas, Smith, Stewart, Villegas;</i> ○ <i>Nays – N/A; Abstentions – N/A.</i> ○ March 30th, MSC: Richards/Rosas. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Yeas – Giambattista, Hannum, Horton, Huffman, Kohler, Meeks, Richards, Romero, Rosas, Smith, Stewart, Villegas;</i> ○ <i>Nays – N/A; Abstentions – N/A.</i> 		
4.	Old Business		
4a.	Budget & Resource Allocation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Resource Allocation Process (RAP): Review of Proposals for FY 2016-17 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Arzu Smith distributed copies of the “banded” ratings (based on compiled ratings submitted by the SGC members) and the methodology for calculating/banding the figures. Ms. Smith provided an overview of both documents and provided the Council members with time to review the handouts. Before beginning the discussion, President Kratochvil reminded the group about the budget outlook and asked that they use that as the context for their deliberations: as he has indicated previously to SGC (and in other venues), there isn’t optimism about the budget; those who attended the recent District Budget Forum heard information that the budget outlook for next year is “bleak,” which likely translates into very little money being available for RAP proposals. ○ SGC reviewed the ratings, and had follow-up discussions regarding several proposals and providing suggestions about adjustments within “bands.” Ultimately, with the limited availability of resources in mind, SGC recommended focusing on areas related to compliance issues (e.g. program accreditation) and safety/security. They also saw the importance of increasing previously-reduced positions (based on programmatic/operational need, and perhaps identifying a distinction between incumbents directly impacted by reductions and those hired into a reduced position). 		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Considering the fiscal landscape, SGC brainstormed about the type of process(es) that could be used if the College is faced with cost reductions – with the idea that it would be beneficial to have such a plan in advance, rather than waiting until an urgent situation arises. Suggestions included: identifying efficiencies/streamlining; revenue generation; “doing less with less,” instead of “doing more with less” (i.e. Do we offer students too many choices? Are there things we have been doing, even though they don’t yield the expected results? Program discontinuance?); and redistribution of workload. It was also suggested that SGC consider issuing a campus-wide statement about the budget (perhaps a joint message with President’s Cabinet), which would provide a strong foundation for managers and/or department chairs to have “tough conversations” with faculty and staff about identifying efficiencies and reductions. ○ Jamila Stewart expressed concerns related to the upcoming change(s) in Math acceleration courses, which is among the RAP proposals. She and others feel it is an equity issue, as it potentially closes the door to STEM areas for some students. ○ Grant Opportunities & Considerations [no discussion] 		
5.	New Business		
5a.	Draft “Monday Meeting” Calendar for Fall 2016 [no discussion]		
6.	Updates & Announcements/Constituency Reports: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • President Kratochvil: The new District Police Chief, Ed Carney, has now started and has already begun meeting with College personnel. On a somewhat related note, the evacuation drill will be rescheduled for a future date (to allow more time for training). • Academic Senate: Louie Giambattista reported that all three Academic Senates recently held a District-wide plenary session. Several topics were discussed, including equity. • Associated Students: Tabitha Romero shared that LMCAS had a very successful Academic Competition, and that they are finishing up approval of the scholarships they offer. • Classified Senate: Linda Kohler stated that, at the Senate’s last meeting, they spent almost an hour discussing campus safety with Lt. Huddleston and Chief Carney. This Friday, all three Senates will be meeting at DVC for a leadership retreat. • Curriculum Committee: no report. • Other: N/A. 		
7.	Community College Items of Interest: Legislation, Research & Best Practices [no discussion]		
8.	Campus Communication: Actions & Notable Items to Report from SGC The SGC members agreed that it would be useful to let their respective constituency groups know that there had been a review of compiled RAP ratings, with the expectation that the Council will reach consensus on final recommendations for the President at the next meeting.		
9.	Adjournment The SGC meeting adjourned at 3:53 p.m.		