Yosemite Community College District

District Council Meeting Minutes

ZOOM Meeting (Meeting ID: 981 5892 9900)
February 24, 2021

Members Present: Shelley Akiona, Erik Andal, Santanu Bandyopadhyay, Jillian Daly, Pam Guerra-Schmidt, Cece Hudelson, Allan McKissick, Wendy Long, Joey Partridge, Jair Pineda, Chad Redwing, Roberto Reyes, Henry Yong

Members Absent: None

Other's Present: Melissa Raby, GH Javaheripour, Graciela Molina, Jennifer Zellet, Jeremy Salazar, Brian Sanders, Sarah Schrader, Trevor Stewart, Letitia Senechal, Elizabeth Pfleging, Aishah Saleh, Lahna VonEpps, Joshua Hash, Kimberly Carter (recorder)

Meeting called to order at 3:03 p.m. via ZOOM.

1. **Common Course Numbering – *Henry Yong, Pam Guerra-Schmidt, Chad Redwing, Letitia Senechal, Elizabeth Pfleging, Joshua Hash***

   Articulation Officers, Letitia Senechal and Elizabeth Pfleging, in the role as facilitators and providing process expertise, presented to the council on the topic of common course numbering. The presentation covered an overview of where things began with common course numbering, where things currently stand, and where things could possibly go in the future, should the decision be made to proceed. Some members of the council expressed their opinion about the importance of completing this project for our students. Chancellor Yong thanked the Articulation Officers for their presentation and requested a follow-up discussion based upon their schedule of availability.

2. **Self-Service Update – *Joshua Hash***

   Senior Director of IT, Joshua Hash, presented an update to the council on the Self-Service software program. The update included a timeline of events for the different phrases of program implementation.

3. **Approval of January 27, 2021 Meeting Minutes – *Henry Yong***

   A motion to approve the meeting minutes of January 27, 2021, was made by Pam Guerra-Schmidt and seconded by Cece Hudelson. District Council members approved the minutes with a vote of all in favor.

Ayes:	(13)	Shelley Akiona, Erik Andal, Santanu Bandyopadhyay, Jillian Daly, Pam Guerra-Schmidt, Cece Hudelson, Allan McKissick, Wendy Long, Joey Partridge, Jair Pineda, Chad Redwing, Roberto Reyes, Henry Yong
Nayes:	(0)	
Abstain:	(0)	

4. **Public Affairs – *Kimberly Carter***

   a. **Board Policy – 2nd Reading**

      1. 3515: Reporting of Crimes
      2. 4230: Grading and Academic Record Symbols
      3. 5010: Admissions
      4. 5011: Admissions and Dual Enrollment of High School and Other Young Students
      5. 5075: Course Adds and Drops
      6. 7100: Commitment to Diversity
      7. 7140: Collective Bargaining
      8. 7150: Evaluation

There were no comments from the council. All of the policies were moved forward to the Board for a 1st Reading.

b. Board Policy – 1st Reading

1. 2015: Student Member
2. 2725: Board Member Compensation
3. 3720: Computer and Network Use
4. 3725: Information and Communications Technology Accessibility & Acceptable Use
5. 4220: Standards of Scholarship
6. 4300: Field Trips and Excursions
7. 6-8079: Student Transportation – Field Trips

There was a request from the council to pull Policy 3720 for additional review in regards to the level of privacy on computers. All policies, with the exception of Policy 3720, will be brought back to the District Council for a 2nd Reading prior to being moved forward to the Board for a 1st Reading.

5. **Strategic Plan for Columbia College and Modesto Junior College – *Santanu Bandyopadhyay***

Dr. Santanu Bandyopadhyay reported that there has been discussion about having an external party create the planning documents, such as the District's Strategic Plan, the colleges' Facilities and Educational Master Plans, for the District. To move in this direction, there will be a small committee, approximately 10-12 members, consisting of members from the constituency groups and technical experts. The committee will be assigned the task of evaluating what documents need to be created, integrating current plans into the new plans, evaluating the firms who submit proposals, and making a final recommendation to the Chancellor.

6. Chancellor – *Henry Yong*

a. COVID Vaccination – Chancellor Yong shared Stanislaus County Health Services Agency's website on COVID vaccinations. He reported that there are two locations where those in Tiers 1A and 1B, who meet the requirement, can be vaccinated. Currently, the Modesto Centre Plaza and CSU Stanislaus are the locations available. Chancellor Yong announced that MJC will be hosting a closed POD for the health services students and faculty on February 26, 2021. There was a request to be able to serve all of MJC faculty and staff, however, the county does not have enough vaccines to accommodate our request. Chancellor Yong thanked Laureen Campana and Amy Yribarren for their efforts in trying to secure vaccination for our employees.

b. Summer & Fall – Chancellor Yong reported that the Summer schedule will still be majority online format, however, more on campus classes will be available. When Fall comes around, we expect to add even more on campus classes. Chancellor Yong announced that safety is still our main priority and therefore wearing a mask will be required for both Summer, Fall and possibly the Spring. As it becomes safe to do so, more and more classes will return to the in-person format.

c. MJC Presidential Search – Chancellor Yong announced that the search will be moving forward and a committee has been formed. Chancellor Yong thanked the representatives who have agreed to serve on the MJC Presidential search committee, which includes our MJC Associated Students' President, Jennifer Novoa, as well as a member from our community.

d. District Director of Public Safety – Chancellor Yong announced that the District Director of Public Safety interviews have been scheduled for Friday, February 26, 2021. Second level interviews will be scheduled the following week. Chancellor Yong thanked Student Trustee, Jair Pineda, for agreeing to serve on the committee.

e. New Trustee – Chancellor Yong announced that the Board provisionally appointed Mrs. Jennifer Nicolau as Trustee to fill the vacancy in Area 4, out of a total of five applicants. Trustee Nicolau was provisionally sworn in at the Special Board Meeting on February 16, 2021. Unless a petition calling for a special election is filed in the Stanislaus County Office of Education within 30 days containing a sufficient number of signatures, the provisional appointment shall become effective.

7. Other Business

Prior to adjourning the meeting, Chancellor Yong welcomed and acknowledged Lahna VonEpps and Aishah Saleh.

The District Council meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.