

LAS POSITAS

COLLEGE



TO: LPC Faculty
FROM: Academic Senate President Melissa Korber
DATE: May 15, 2018
RE: Talking Points for Division Meetings

Hi Everyone,

Happy End of Semester! Here are some information and discussion items for the May division meetings.

1. Update: Internal Controls and the Chabot Budget Deficit (attachments)

As I mentioned last month, the Senate plans to move forward with a revised resolution and a letter to the new Vice Chancellor of Business Services near the end of this fiscal year. Please review the revised resolution and draft letter to the new Vice Chancellor of Business Services. Any feedback is welcome.

By the way, the new Vice Chancellor of Business Services is on the agenda to be approved at the Board of Trustees meeting on May 15. Ronald Gerhard, VP of Administrative Services at Chabot, will be the new vice chancellor starting on June 1 if the board approves him.

2. Proposed Changes to College Council (attachments)

At last month's College Council meeting, Interim President Bennie proposed changes to the structure of College Council. The current structure, titled LPC Committee Structure & Shared Governance Chart, is attached. Concerns about the current structure include:

1. Some committees reporting directly to the College President without reporting out to others on campus.
2. Too many voting members on College Council, making it difficult to get a quorum.
3. With so many members, College Council has become just a place where information is reported when it could have more of a role in planning.

The proposed revised structure, which includes the terms "Draft Revision," is also attached. Under the new structure, the first concern is address by having some committees that previously reported to the President report to College Council. (See the medium blue committees on the draft.) Professional Development would now report to Academic Senate and Classified Senate, and Program Review would report only to Academic Senate. Two other changes: CEMC would report to the VP of Academic Services, and the Student Success and Equity Committee would report only to the VP of Student Services.

The Senate discussed the proposed change in structure last week; although the response was generally favorable, a few items of concern include:

1. Many members of the Senate believed that it was vital to have the Student Success and Equity

Committee continue to report to the Academic Senate. “Student Success” is part of the 10 + 1 of the Academic Senate, and the reports help the Senate and the entire faculty keep apprised of the work of this committee.

2. Removing Program Review from College Council could impact overall college planning. However, Program Review Chair Karin Spirn recommended restructuring the Institutional Planning and Effectiveness Committee (IPEC) membership to address this concern by including the following as voting members: Program Review Committee Chair, SLO Committee Chair, One faculty member from each division that is not already represented by the Program Review Chair and SLO Committee Chairs, and possibly the chair of CEMC.

Please discuss the proposed changes. The Academic Senate will meet next week and may endorse the new structure if these concerns can be addressed.

3. Planning Priorities: Tutoring

At last week’s Senate meeting, some voiced support for continuing tutoring as a planning priority as we transition to a new full-time Tutorial Center director. AB705, which will be implemented soon, may mean that many more students will need and be accessing tutoring. At this point, IPEC is recommending that all four planning priorities, including the one related to tutoring, be continued.

4. Concerns About Grants

Please forward any recommendations or concerns regarding the processes around grants (including grant applications, implementation processes, payroll procedures, etc.) to Karin Spirn.

5. Basic Skills Update

The BSI report included information about increased allocation for 2018-2019. Co-chair Michelle Gonzales also shared this link to the newly created AB705/Assessment and Placement [website](#) created by the Chancellor’s office.

4. Middle College Update (attachment)

Program Coordinator Amy Brown attended the Senate meeting with four Middle College students. In 2018-2019, the program is slated to grow to 140 students (70 seniors and 70 juniors) and will move to the 2400 building. Attached is the report presented to the LPC Academic Senate, highlighting the growth and success of the program.

5. Undocually Update

The Undocually Task Force reported on its work this year, including advocating for the adoption of the Las Positas College Joint Resolution that designated LPC a “sanctuary campus” and the launching of the Dreamers website: <http://www.laspositascollege.edu/dreamers/>

6. Senate Elections

Next year’s Academic Senate Executive Board will be

- Melissa Korber, President
- Tina Inzerilla, Vice President
- Kimberly Tomlinson, Treasurer
- Joel Gagnon, Secretary

In addition, Vicki Pabley was elected as part-time representative for one of the two open spots. The second open spot resulted in a three-way tie, so a run-off election is currently being held.

Congratulations to all! And a huge thank you to the members of the Senate for all your hard work this year.

7. Senate Awards

Congratulations to those who were recognized at last week's Town Meeting.

Senate 10 + 1 Awards

Howard Blumenfeld

Joel Gagnon

Vicki Pabley

Cindy Rosefield

John Rosen

Kimberly Tomlinson

Ashley Young

Roanna Bennie

Rifka Several

Distinguished Teaching Award

Steve Chiolis

Leslie Payne and Erin DeBakcsy

Outstanding Service Award

Michelle Gonzales

8. Senate Approvals

The Senate has approved the following items since the April Division Meeting:

May 9, 2018 Action Items

None

May 9, 2018 Consent Items

- Child Development Center Staff Hiring Committee: Nadiyah Taylor, Lyndale Garner
- Catalog Language for AD-T
- Curriculum Approvals from April 30

April 25, 2018 Action Items

- Approval of Academic Senate Executive Officers and Part-time Representatives Election Ballot
- Rescission of AD-T Resolution
- Board and Administrative Policy on Hours and Units
- Curriculum Committee Charge
- Endorsement of Student Resolution

April 25, 2018 Consent Items

- Curriculum Committee approvals from April 16
- Communication Studies sabbatical replacement hiring committee approvals: Tim Heisler, Jim Dobson, Kali Rippel and Mike Ansell
- Funding for Appreciation Event: Up to \$600