



College Council
March 22, 2017 | 3:00pm – 5:00pm | BE 4180A
Minutes - Draft

Members Present:

Ales, Maria	Chavez, Cebrina	Davis, Chuck
Elangovan, Sam	Eli, Katherine	Gonzalez, Anthony
Harden, Yoshiko	Hunt, Valerie	Ismael, Julia
Laher, Sam	Lane, Bradley	Lazzaro, Althea
Maestas, Dana	McCormick, Alison	Othman, Hisham
Riveland, Bruce	Rockhill, Wendy	

Members Absent:

Amos, Gavin	Edwards Lange, Sheila	Fu, Linjie
Livingston, Carl		

Visitors:

None

Agenda Items:

- Introductions and welcome
- Approval of March 8, 2017 minutes

Resource Allocation update:

- Recommendations from Resource Allocation group presented to College Council
- President's Cabinet has approved the Resource Allocation Recommendations with no modifications
- There will be more Budget Road Shows during Spring Quarter to better inform the campus community
- Federal and State funds continue to decrease
- Work is being done on the complex task to balance student services/instruction/facilities.
 - Increased parking revenue (charging the public by the hour), more efficient copy center, etc.

Strategic Plan update:

- Strategic Plan listening session for the campus on March 17
 - 60 people attended
 - There were 5 facilitated sessions around each strategic directive
 - Overall, there was great turn out and very diverse attendance. Each attendee provided information regarding position, department, and years working at the college.
 - There was deep appreciation for the students in attendance who took notes, provided insight and contributed a student perspective.
- The Strategic Planning will reconvene to go over attendees input and thoughts, and will present back to College Council
 - There will be plans for each Strategic Direction. Each Division/Unit will sign on to work on a few of the strategic actions identified.



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Critical Issues update:

- Assessment of the campus climate analysis is underway and will be presented at the April College Council meeting
- Students are encouraged to participate on and share with the Critical Issues group
- The Associated Students Council has completed a campus climate survey which will contribute to the overall campus assessment
- The Critical Issues group is looking to address the need for a faith/meditation space with easy access for students.
 - There is a CLIP looking into social spaces at the college
 - How are students using unofficial spaces?
- The Critical Issues group is looking into issues regarding undocumented students.

Decision making process for College Council:

At this time, College Council has decided not to pick a tool for decision making at this meeting. Further discussion and reflection will take place.

- Going forward, the council would like to take the following steps before choosing a tool:
 - Connect with students to determine their thoughts and needs
 - Julia I. informed the group that student leaders must meet every Thursday from 2-3pm. Julia – how can we best have members of college council approach these students regarding their thoughts around this process?
 - Readings for College Council to support the growth and enhance discussions. Please see attached and other suggestions are welcome.
 - Work on relationship building with Council members in a setting outside of normal meetings.

Below are what College Council believes is needed prior to choosing a tool (please see attached image from our discussion):

- Where do we start?
- What is the process?
- Open dialogue
- Narratives for those who have used tool kits before choosing one
- Recognizing we don't know what we don't know
- Agree that Racism exists
- Agree that we need a decision making tool because racism exists
- Everyone must participate in team leading/facilitation
- Ability to be heard and to hear
- Recognize cognitive/non cognitive issues
- Vulnerability
- Authenticity



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- We need to understand critical race theory
- Read a book/poem/passage
- How do we create mutual language with each other?
- We need to have common material to continue the discussion
- Awareness of racial taxation
- Suggestion of a talking circle in a new space – NOT BE 4180A
- Open space and respect
- Co-creating a community (co accountability/ co responsibility)
- Opinion does not equal informed understanding
- Courage
- Individual vs collective (roles)
- Address apathy and motivation
we need to address a change in culture
- What is the best platform to interact between meetings? How do we find time for conversations between College Council meetings? In online an option?

Three themes/actions arose from the discussion:

- hear student voices
- better inform ourselves
- build relationships among college council